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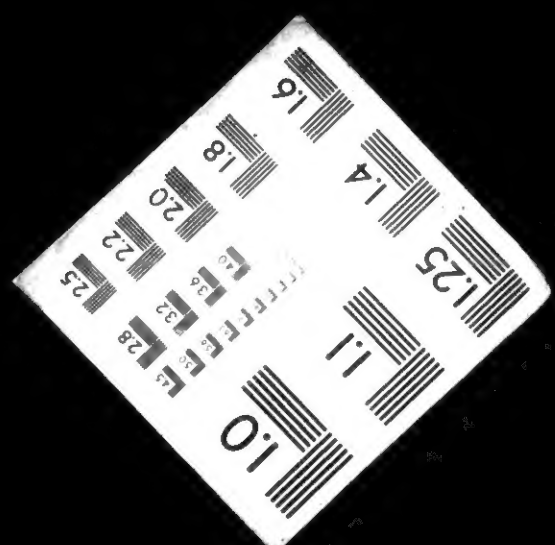
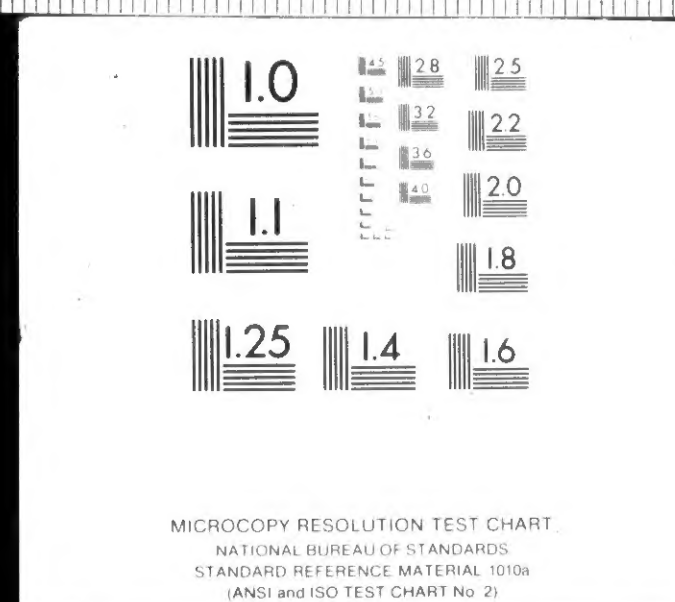
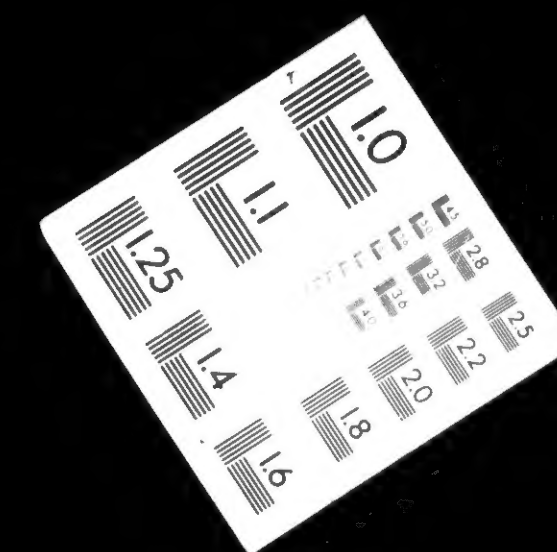
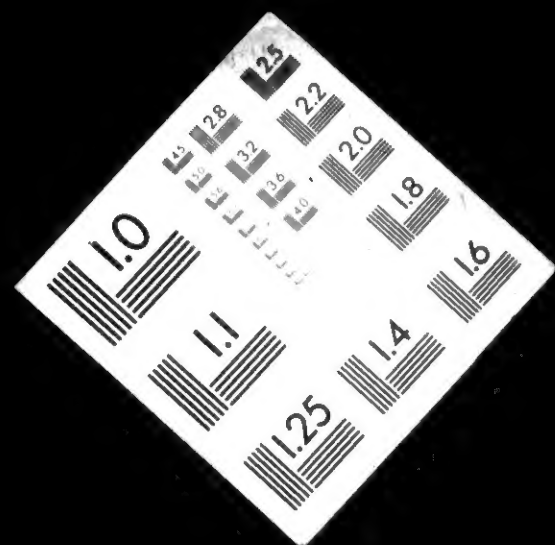
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Le Griffon hunter fears looters

State says no claimant, no possession and no 17th century ship

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

It's got all the elements of a flashy Hollywood action flick—French dignitaries, deep-sea archeology, sabotage, a 330-year-old ship and a U.S. Federal Marshall—and it also has all the paperwork of an IRS audit.

The latest chapter in the saga of 17th Century French Ship Le Griffon hunter and head of Great Lakes Exploration Group

(GLEG) Stephen Libert finds Libert still battling with the state of Michigan over possession of what may or may not be the ship's remnants.

"The facts are straightforward," stated the State of Michigan in documents it filed on Dec. 23, 2008 in Western District, Northern Division of Michigan's United States District Court. "GLEG asserts that it has discovered a shipwreck in Lake Michigan. GLEG alleges that the wreck is the Griffin [sic]. GLEG seeks to be declared the owner and/or salvor of the defendant shipwreck."

In the pleading for a dismissal of the case, the state asserted, among several claims, that it has immunity due to the 11th Amendment—which basically states that a citizen cannot sue a state—and further stated that, not only did no one make claim to the alleged ship when the State of Michigan noticed it in two newspapers, but a state diving expedition revealed no ship.

FAILURE TO CLAIM POSSESSION?

Libert and his colleague, historian and a member of the Chicago-Paris Sister City Committee Rich Gross, said France indicated interest in the ship's potential location several years ago. And, furthermore, foreign countries deal with the U.S.

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FILE PHOTO

Le Griffon ship hunter Steve Libert prepares for a dive in this undated photo. Libert is currently seeking relief from a U.S. District Court in Michigan for the right to identify whether the wreck he found in the waters of Lake Michigan is the 17th century ship thought to have sunk during a storm in the late 1600s.



Ring in the New Year

Friends (from left) Casey Crain, Chad Odum, Jamie Karnecker and (back) Jim Spangler of Charlevoix celebrated New Year's Eve 2008 with cocktails at the Town House.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Lasater says goodbye

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater may be hanging up his sheriff's badge after 32 years in office at year's end, but he isn't ready for retirement.

"I've still got a lot of gas left in the tank," Lasater, 70, said when he sat down with the News-Review for an interview in mid-December.

Lasater, who took office on Jan. 1, 1976, after defeating Milo Sumner both in the primary and general election, will leave office today, Wednesday, as the second-longest serving sheriff in Michigan history.

According to Michigan Sheriff's Association Executive Director Terrence Jungel, the longest serving sheriff in the state is former

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Outgoing Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater jokes with colleagues newly elected undersheriff Chuck Vondra (far right), chief-assistant Charlevoix County Prosecutor Shaynee Fanara and Charlevoix County's newest sheriff W. Don Schneider (far left) during an all-day open house at the sheriff's office to celebrate Lasater's career and allow well-wishers to pay their respects.

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BIRTHS

Henry Danger Elzinga was born to Dan and Carrie (Heeres) Elzinga of Grand Rapids on Dec. 21, 2008 at Spectrum Health Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids. Henry weighed 10 pounds, 5.2 ounces and was 22 inches tall. Grandparents are Dave and Donna Heeres of Ellsworth and Ivan and Joanne Elzinga of Grand Rapids. Great grandparents are James and Anne Elzinga of Grand Rapids, Patricia Hoolesma of Coopersville, Henry and Kathryn Heeres of Ellsworth and Ken and Arlene Staley of Charlevoix.

Isabel Kathryn Grace Bogart weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces was born Dec. 23 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Ed and Jamie Bogart III of Charlevoix. Her grandparents are Jim and Linda Russell of Charlevoix, Ed Bogart II of Antrim, and Don and Jane (Bogart) Smith of Buras, La. Her great-grandparents are Linda Frye and Elizabeth Bogart both of Charlevoix.

August Blake Couvin weighing 7 pounds 7 ounces was born Dec. 29 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to James and Diane Couvin of Boyne City. His siblings are Blake, Adam and Courtwright. His grandparents are Sharon and Ken Willson of Boyne City, Mickey Couvin of Manchester, George Couvin of Oscoda and Art and Lois Gibbs of Kingsley. His great-grandparent is Margaret Hill of East Jordan.

Jack and Nora Purcell weighing 5 pounds, 15 ounces and 4 pounds, 11 ounces respectively were born Dec. 24 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to

Rob and Suzanne Purcell of Ellsworth. Their sibling is Patrick. Their grandparents are Patty and Wayne Olsen of Sault St. Marie, Chester Purcell of Bellaire and Georgia and Ralph Markelli of Lake Suzy, Florida.

Trevor Jay Wilbur weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces was born Dec. 26 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Ashley Wilbur and Joe Goldsmith of Petoskey. His siblings are Tristan Joseph Goldsmith and Trinity Jade Goldsmith. His grandparents are Kelly and Laura Wilbur, Cara Helzer, Vickie Vanslembruck and Jerry Vanslembruck all of Petoskey. His great-grandparents are Bud and Sue Wilbur of Lewiston.

Leanne Renea Barnes weighing 7 pounds was born Dec. 24 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Megan McGillis and Nicholas Barnes of Boyne City. Her grandparents are Joyell Barnes, Russell Barnes, and Teri Howard all of Boyne City, and Roger McGillis of St. Helen. Her great-grandparents are Patricia Howard of Boyne City, Martha Warden of Harbor Springs and Jerry Howard of Boyne City.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Adrian Jeffrey Smith, 18, Boyne Falls. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 60 hours of community service work; \$200 in fines and costs.

Christopher Miller Grice, 23, Boyne City. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs.

Travis Dean Stuebing, 17, Traverse City. No operator license on person. Pay \$650 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Candy Lynne Strickland, 37, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,230 in fines and costs.

Carl Edward Pollaski, 38, Harbor Springs. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$300 or serve 12 days in jail.

Brandon JG Walker, 23, Charlevoix. Attempting to assault/resist/obstruct a police officer. Pay \$400 in fines and costs or serve eight days in jail.

Herbert Leigh Watkins, 54, East Jordan. Assault/assault and battery. Serve six months on probation; credit for seven days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Joseph Thomas Matelski II, 31, Gaylord. Operating while intoxicated-first offense. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; to serve 30 days on electronic monitoring device; 67 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,185 in fines and costs.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Mary Ann Mosley, 28,

Charlevoix. Controlled substance possess (narcotic/cocaine); controlled substance - maintaining a drug house. Sentenced to 180 days in jail; credit for one day; to serve 90 days in jail; to serve 36 months on probation; \$3,599.16 in fines and costs.

Joseph Maynard Story, 24, Charlevoix. Controlled substance possess (narcotic/cocaine); controlled substance - maintaining a drug house. Sentenced to 30 days in jail; credit for 15 days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Bellinger Interpreting Services, 6441 Maple St., Ellsworth, by Cassandra Bellinger

Foltz's Country Store, 404 Trent St., Boyne City, by Trisha L. and Jeffrey P. Foltz

Luxe Consulting; Luxe Advertising, 04807 South Concorde Drive, Boyne City, by Erin Moriarty

CEC Maintenance, 02511 Lallone Road, by Clifford Morris Gregware Jr.

Charlie's Root Fusion, 09190 Burgess Road, Charlevoix, by Charlie Winthoff

Pine Lake Bio Mass, 07595 Ferry Road, East Jordan, by Stephen Allan Janeczek

Houscalks Property Care, 101 Woodland Drive, East Jordan, by Lee Symonds

Charlevoix man involved in break in

Police in Petoskey have arrested three people in connection with a break in at a Petoskey auto repair-business last week.

Petoskey Department of Public Safety Lt. Anthony Rice said police arrested Lee Edward Harcourt-Thomas, 24, of Petoskey; Caleb Gilbert Blatt, 20, of Charlevoix; and Matthew David Barnes, 23, of Petoskey on Saturday after police received a tip from an area salvage yard of some men attempting to sell some suspected stolen material.

The tip led police to execute a search warrant on Liberty Street in Petoskey, which led them to arrest the men on charges of breaking

and entering with intent, and receiving and concealing stolen property.

Police said shortly after midnight on Jan. 1 someone broke into Jim's Radiator Shop on Grace Street through a door and stole radiators and heater cores for vehicles.

All three men remained lodged in the Emmet County Jail, Monday, in lieu of a \$20,000 bond.

Rice said police are continuing their investigation into possible links between this crime and others in the area.

Petoskey police were assisted in the investigation by the Charlevoix and Antrim county sheriff's offices and the Michigan State Police.

Official Notice

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Synopsis December 22, 2008

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Commissioner Drebenstedt was absent.

- Minutes of the December 10, 2008 meeting were approved as presented.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-119, County Credit Card.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-120, Bank Depositories for 2009.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-121, 2008 General Fund Deficits.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-122, Amend Subsidiary Fund Budgets.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-123, George T. Lassater Recognition.
- Motion approved Resolution #08-124, Jane E. Brannon Recognition.

The Organizational meeting will be held January 5, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Jane E. Brannon, County Clerk

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New Guild officers

The six new Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild officers are (from left) counselor Cass Williamson, secretary Nancy Kline, vice-president Anne Marie Barnes, president Chris Unbehaun and co-treasurers Juli Flakowski and Steve Paterka. At the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild luncheon on Dec. 8, the new officers were sworn in for their 2009-2011 term. Jackie Cantalupo, the North Central District President, came in from Traverse City to preside. The guild was organized in 1954 with the purpose of rendering assistance to the Hospital. As well as giving \$12,000 for scholarships for continuing education and advanced degrees this year, the guild made the final payment on the hospital's fetal monitor for the OB/GYN department.

COURTESY PHOTO

Charlevoix County Road Commission down \$2 million in two years

CHRISTINA ROHN NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

The Charlevoix County Road Commission, like any other road commission in the state, is hurting financially.

During the past two years, the commission's budget has decreased by more than \$2 million.

In 2007, the commission's total budget was \$6,260,969.33, and by 2008, the budget had decreased to \$5,516,444.52.

On Wednesday, Dec. 31, during its regular meeting, the road commission board unanimously approved its 2009 budget — \$4,190,999.75.

Patrick Harmon, manager of the road commission, said he believes a number of factors have contributed to the extreme drop in their funds.

"Our revenues are decreasing due to less gallons of gas sold and license plates, also people may be down to one car or are leaving the state," he said. "Most of it, I'd say, is due to the sale of gasoline."

According to Harmon, the state currently collects 19 cents per gallon of gas sold statewide and pools it together, eventually distributing 39.1 percent to the Michigan Department of Transportation, 39.1 percent to

county road commissions and the remaining 21.8 percent to cities and villages.

Harmon said unless this formula changes, things could get worse for local road commissions.

"The only way it's going to change is if our legislators in Lansing change the way we're funded," he said.

Harmon said he is uncertain about what the future has in store, but is positive that they will overcome every obstacle.

"We'll make it — it's tough, but we'll manage," he said. "I don't know what it's going to look like come April or May; if we have to cut services or lay people off, we'll deal with it at that time."

"The last thing we want to do here is lay people off... if roads don't get patched or roads don't get graded, ultimately the traffic and the taxpayers suffer for that."

Harmon said people shouldn't worry this winter about the roads being clear.

"One-third of our budget is snow removal, and we're always going to do our winter maintenance," he said. "We're trying to cut back on salt when we can, but we're going to try to provide the same level of

service as we've always done." Contact Christina Rohn at crohn@petoskeynews.com.

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Representative sworn in for last time, Kevin Elsenheimer begins final of three terms

State Representative Kevin Elsenheimer (R-Kewadin), (left), was sworn in by Traverse City Circuit Judge Thomas Power recently. Elsenheimer, serving the final of three terms due to state term limits, took his oath of office at the Grand Traverse County courthouse before friends, family and local dignitaries. All 110 state representatives will take a ceremonial oath of office on the House floor in Lansing on Jan. 14. "I give my thanks to the people of Northern Michigan for again giving me the privilege of representing them in Lansing," said Elsenheimer during the ceremony. "Their confidence in me and the support they have given over the years has been tremendous. Everyone can be assured serving the local needs of our region remains my top priority as the Legislature works to restore our state economy and create jobs for area residents." Elsenheimer will also serve as the House Republican leader for the 2009-2010 legislative session, having been elected by his Lansing colleagues in November.

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A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Believe half of what you see and none of what you hear especially if you are losing your ability to hear. D o you find yourself moving physically closer to someone speaking to you only to realize you are in their personal space or worst yet in their lap? In restaurants does the conversation become so difficult to hear you find yourself not speaking or smiling and saying yes like a foreigner in an old movie? Are your eyes beginning to squint as if that will help you to hear well? Yes to all the above for me. I realized this was my own problem while speaking to a classroom full of students and a child in the back of the room asked me a question. I requested him to repeat him-

self as if to show more interest. Truth be told I really couldn't hear a word he said. After the third attempt at answering his question the remaining students sitting nearby translated for me. To start the New Year in better shape mentally and sensory-wise I decided it was time for both my husband and I to seek treatment. Making the decision was hard for me personally. I went forward first feeling like a scout testing the waters so my husband would surely follow. Hmm...he's not following. Taking that first leap was difficult as I felt older than my years having to make this move in my life. I returned from my visit to report back to the troops. I cheerfully told my husband the delightful, attentive woman at the desk who greeted me for a hearing test looks just like my mom IF she had blonde hair. To which my husband replied, "She's blind?" Hearing loss of husband confirmed. Questions you may want to ask yourself: Do you feel like people just mumble and not speak clearly? Are family and friends politely or not so kindly asking you to turn the TV down?

If this is happening more frequently, it's time to be honest with yourself and make a decision on what you can do to add to your quality of life and others around you. Hearing aids improve relationships at least that's what the book I was asked to read is telling me. You will find yourself not saying "excuse me" so much and turning to others to ask them to repeat themselves. The atmosphere in your home will be calmer as well. The TV and radio will be at a manageable level so the neighbors during the summer months won't call and ask you to change the channel. One good thing has occurred. My sense of sight reading has improved. I can quickly read closed caption on TV while walking on the treadmill at the gym. Thinking all of this was age related was my first mistake. While watching the History Channel with dad who is 92 years young I kept raising the volume. Now he was the one that I thought couldn't hear well. I took him in for a medical check up and asked about verifying hearing loss in those Clark Gable-like ears.

Turns out he just needed a professional cleaning which happens often to individuals who are diabetic. Once we returned home he asked why the TV was on so loud and if I could stop yelling. I have since found that hearing loss is not age related but genetic unless you have suffered some type of injury that created the hearing loss. Some couples create a co-dependent behavior. Men are usually more resistant to getting hearing aids. What usually occurs is his wife or significant other interprets messages repeating what words are missed. Your spouse may become so adept at answering for you that you may actually believe you can hear perfectly. They become a 'sonic servant' so to speak. If you are increasing this demand on your spouse it is time to become dependent on your own ears. When your children and friends become frustrated with your unwillingness to get help it could lead to emotional feelings of hurt and isolation. Now you will probably re-

WEEKLY POLL

Did you get everything you wanted for Christmas?

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This week's poll question:
Should the U.S. District Court dismiss Stephen Liberty's case against the State of Michigan for a shipwreck he believes to be Le Griffon?

spond, "The cost is too high". Expense is another reason we sometimes avoid getting hearing assistance. Yep, I need to re-upholster a chair in my living room and the oven I have owned for 16 years actually wore out. She just rolled over and died on New Year's Eve. My oven wasn't ready to face another year but I am not ready to face another year of not hearing well. The oven and chair will get taken care of eventually. Only 20 percent of people who suffer from hearing loss seek treatment through hearing aids according to the consumer handbook on Hearing Loss and Hearing Aids. My 2009 buzz word for hearing aids. Our family wishes you a Happy New Year and "Hears to You" for a healthy new year.

Thank-you sweet lady Christmas

What can we say about Bev Boss that so many people don't already know? We can say she is the driving force behind Charlevoix's Community Christmas Project. We can say she selflessly spends the holidays worrying about how hundreds of local families are going to be fed and clothed and give gifts to their children. We can say that Santa Claus doesn't have a thing on this wonderful woman. Not only did Boss and her Community Christmas Project drum up enough support to help 240 families in the Charlevoix School District with food,

clothes and toys, but 850 individuals were served. Boss has served as chairman of the project since 2002 and says she is still trying to fill the large shoes of her predecessor. A n d , while she said the project can make her own family's Christmas a little hectic, she wouldn't trade it for anything. "Oh my gosh, I do it because

it's a job that needs to be done and the satisfaction of people telling us they wouldn't have had a Christmas if we didn't help them," she said. "It makes my Christmas better knowing I helped someone else have a nice Christmas." Boss thanked Bethany Lutheran Church and Community Reformed Church for the use of their facilities. "They treated us like queens, so we'll definitely be going back," she said. While Boss works with a committee of nearly 20, there are more than 50 people, some behind the scenes who work to make the project a reality every

year. "I really enjoy working with the people on the committee," she said. "What a wonderful group of people." Since the project is sponsored by the Charlevoix Ministerial Society, it garners members from all different area churches. "We operate solely on contributions. We don't go out with our little tin cups in the street," Boss said. "We just send letters to churches and anybody that wants to help is welcome." She added, "I think we're very lucky and I was absolutely amazed this year—you know times are getting tough—but a small community like

Charlevoix is hard to beat. They saw need and they stepped up to help their neighbors and kids and they made our job easy." The project went from serving 160 families when Boss took over to this year's 240 families. "The surprising thing is we had about an equal number of adults and children," she said. "Before we used to be heavy on children, but we have been getting a lot of senior citizens (who) just don't have enough food."

Anyone who would like to donate cash or goods or even their time to the project can call Boss at 547-2078. And as for sweet lady Christmas, "As long as the good Lord gives me enough good health, I plan on working. Christmas is a wonderful season and it gives me motivation to enjoy my Christmas even more." We'd also like to thank a host of project committee members including Rosemary Horton, Mary Eveleigh, Lois Lewis, Joan Lemerand, Russ Bolt, Mary Plude, Carolyn Batdorf, Sharon Delaney and Joan Balch. Mail your financial donation to Carolyn Batdorf C/O Charlevoix Community Christmas Project, 04903 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

LETTERS to the editor

BIDDING SCRUTINY

Editor: A copy of the Charlevoix Courier just reached me and the issue included a report of the granting of the contract for the much awaited trout stream project.

I do believe that the newly refurbished East Park, the associated marina facility and without doubt the performance pavilion is another one of the great additions to the general welfare of the city that has been completed in the last several years.

The addition of the trout

stream in the Park will be the icing on the cake and will cement the public opinion that these facilities are absolutely the best-leading edge downtown improvements having been tailored to our specific community. Assuming that the editorial content is accurate, I do question the description of the actual letting of the contract. While I accept that the final decision process may allow for a little wiggle room provided in the contract language, on the surface it appears that the lowest bidder of the two—I think

equally qualified—bidding companies did not in fact win the bid. It seemingly was swept under the rug as a "mere \$700." My concern is that we may be reaching back to the bad old, and not so old, days and ignoring the very important question of a system of integrity that all American citizens deserve and can rely on. Our current national news is full of stories describing abuses to the system. Surely we in Charlevoix are better than that. Lowell Blossom

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PALESTINE CAUSE OF TRAGEDY

Editor:

The plight of the Palestinian people is indeed a tragic one. The security barrier built by Israel was meant to protect the citizens of Israel including their frightened children from suicide bombers. Remember school buses, restaurants, shopping centers are all fair game. It has worked, there have been less suicide bomb attacks since the walls have been built.

Until the Palestinian powers that be think more about their citizens than of the destruction of Israel, life for the Palestinian people will remain tragic.

Rhoda Raider
Charlevoix and West Bloomfield

DNR urges hunters to complete online survey

Compiled data to track next year's deer population

NOAH FOWLE NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

If you got a big buck this year, the Michigan DNR wants to hear about it. And even if you did not, they still want to hear about it.

Through an online survey, the state's DNR wants to get as much input as possible from the near 760,000 hunters who bought licenses this year. Information they are looking for includes everything from how long hunters spent in the woods to how many deer they saw and how successful, or unsuccessful they were.

Brian Mastenbrook, a wildlife biologist in the DNR's Gaylord office, said preliminary data shows that numbers in the Upper Peninsula were down, but kills throughout the Lower Peninsula increased. "Although we can never

answer the question of how many deer were killed and how many are out there completely, the survey is another way to get a better handle on it," he said. "People telling us what they did gives us another index to help us manage what's out there." Once the DNR has a final estimate on the number of deer killed in the 2008 season, they will plug it into a model that estimates what the 2009 deer population will be, and that in turn helps them determine how many licenses to sell the following season. Mary Dettloff, a spokesperson for the DNR, said both the online survey, available at michigan.gov/dnr, and those mailed to random license holders is a critical piece to the DNR's ongoing task to manage the state's wildlife resources.

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Fifth grade food drive

Carol Madison's fifth-grade class from Charlevoix Middle School donated the most cans in the annual Spirit of Christmas Food Drive to benefit the Charlevoix Food Pantry. The total donation was 950 food items and \$632 in cash.

A day of services for those in need

Human service agencies in Emmet and Charlevoix counties are once again joining forces for the second annual Project Connect.

Project Connect aims to connect people in need with a range of health and human services needed to improve their lives.

The event will be from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 5, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Petoskey. All participants will be provided with a hot meal and bags of food, personal care items and household goods to take home. A clothing area will allow guests to select clothing for themselves and their families.

"Project Connect cuts through the red tape that so often makes it difficult for people in need to access the services they need," said Jamie Winters, chair of the Homeless Continuum of Care workgroup of the Charlevoix-Emmet Human Services Coordinating Body (HSCB) and Safe Home Coordinator for the Women's Resource Center. "By bringing together all of the services in one place, in one day, we can make an immediate difference in the lives of many."

While more than 40 non-profit agencies, businesses and service providers will participate in the event, providing services, goods, benefits sign-up, direct referrals and more

on-site, Lorraine Manary, coordinator of the HSCB, said volunteer assistance is needed both in advance and at the event. Event coordinators are also encouraging more agencies and businesses to participate and are seeking donations of goods and funds to support the event. All donations are tax-deductible and donors will receive a tax acknowledgment.

For more information about Project Connect, or to volunteer goods, services or funds, contact Martha Lancaster at 487-1006 or via e-mail at info@charemunitiedway.org or Lorraine Manary at 347-6701 or via e-mail at info@char-em-hscb.org.

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

CHARLEVOIX STUDENTS NAMED TO NMC DEAN'S LIST

The Charlevoix County students listed below have been named to the Dean's List for Fall Semester 2008 at Northwestern Michigan College: Megan Cross,

Katelyn Jarema, Colleen Smith.

The Dean's List recognizes outstanding academic achievement of full-time students who do unusually

well in their studies. The list includes the names of those students who have achieved a current grade point average of 3.5 or above out of a possible 4.0.

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Christmas wishes come true for local family

MARCI SINGER
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

When Debbie Drew of East Jordan learned that St. Marys Cement of Charlevoix was willing to help those in need with their heating bills this holiday season, she knew there was something more she could do.

"I found out this family had their heat turned off and was using a portable electric heater," Drew said. "I also found out they have two children ages 4 and 6."

As Drew made contacts to help them, she learned they also had their electricity turned off.

"I immediately went to a nearby hotel and checked a room out for them for a week not even caring if I had to pick up the bill," she said.

When she contacted St. Marys Cement, who was going to help out with the heat bill, Drew told plant manager Dirk Cox what she had done.

"He wanted to take this a step further," she said. "He had me pick up groceries for them

and gifts for the children."

Drew said Save A Lot food store in East Jordan also donated a ham, a fruit basket and 5 percent off the grocery bill when she told them what she was doing.

"St. Marys Cement is very generous and caring," she said. "Mr. Cox realized it is very hard to care for two young children and have a Christmas dinner in a hotel room so he wanted to move them to a place with a kitchen."

While Cox was making accommodation arrangements, Drew and her four children spent a day decorating a tree and wrapping presents for the whole family. By Sunday, Dec. 21, they were ready to surprise the family.

"The children and I told them we needed to show them something. I gathered their two children along with their mother and headed to the Weather-vane Hotel," Drew said.

As they approached the door to the room, Drew said there was a note on the door saying Santa had to come early.

"The children's eyes were big and their parents overwhelmed. Finally to see tears of happiness instead of sadness sent a warmth deep down inside of me," Drew said. "My children's faces seemed to glow seeing the results of these acts of kindness."

For Drew, helping someone else, no matter who it is, makes her feel good inside.

"When I lost my daughter last January in a snowmobile accident I had to learn to lean on others. It was hard for me to accept help at first but now I know I really needed it—even from people I didn't know," she said.

Although it is a very difficult time of year, Drew said keeping very busy helping others is therapeutic for her and she's grateful to St. Marys Cement for giving her the opportunity to help them help others.

"I have learned no matter how hard it is to accept help we all need it in some way. Any act of kindness is worth more than words can say," she said.



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With the help of St. Marys Cement in Charlevoix and Debbie Drew of East Jordan, 6-year-old Ben and 4-year-old Casey, had a very special surprise Christmas.

10 Things about... Tom Mielke

Born in Dayton, Ohio, and raised in Michigan, husband, father of three and health insurance agent Tom Mielke came to Charlevoix from Kalamazoo when he was 9 years old.

Mielke, who sells AFLAC, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan and Priority Health insurance, has been married to wife Martha for 23 years and has three daughters: Lauren, Emily and Kristen.

Mielke, who graduated from Charlevoix High School and attended classes at Central Michigan University, has sold insurance for 14 years.



Mielke

Q: What is your biggest fear?
A: "I don't have any real fears of things or places.

My biggest worry is of disappointing my children."

Q: Do you have any lifelong dreams?
A: "Not really. I'm pretty content and happy with the life I have now."

Q: If you could meet anyone, live or dead, for lunch, who would it be?
A: "My grandfather Mielke. He passed away before I was born."

Q: Describe the perfect day
A: "A perfect day right now is spending time with my family on whatever activity we can do together."

Q: What is something few people know about you?
A: "There's not a whole lot people don't know about me. I'm pretty transparent, but not many people know I umpire high school softball and I also

do occasional database programming."

Q: What is your favorite breakfast cereal?
A: "Kellogg's Special K."

Q: What are your hobbies; what do you do for fun?
A: "Coach youth sports and umpire softball."

Q: If you could change anything about yourself or your world, what would it be?
A: "I'd lose weight."

Q: What is your biggest regret in life?
A: "I don't have any real regrets. I'm happy with my life experiences and what it's made me."

Q: Do you have any New Year's resolutions?
A: "No. I never keep them."

What's happening at the Library this week?

Story Time

Thursday, January 8, 10:30 am
Birth - age 5
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Managing your computer

Thursday, January 8, 10:30 - noon
For people with a bit of computer experience - this class will sharpen your skills and help you organize your desktop and files

Gamerooms

Fridays, 3:00 - 4:45 pm
Grades 5 - 7
Try out one of the new games: Need for Speed Underground II or Crash Bandicoot: Twin-sanity or go back to the tried and true of Guitar Hero or DDR - the choice is yours!

Sew a Bomber Hat from a Recycled Sweater

Saturday, January 10, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Join master knitter Chris Abramowski for this fabulous recycled project.
Call for a supply list: 237-7340.

Saturdays @ the Movies: Alice in Wonderland

Saturday, January 10, 2:00 pm
Join us for popcorn and this great classic movie on our big screen.

Computer Boot Camp

Monday, 10:30 - 11:30
For beginning computer users who have taken our Computer Basics class but still need a bit of encouragement.

Booktalkers: Dark Star Safari, by Paul Theroux

Monday, January 12, 6:00 pm
Join other Booktalkers for a lively discussion through the length of Africa. Theroux's book is an insightful meditation on the history, politics, and beauty of Africa and its people.

MS Word for Beginners

Tuesday & Thursday, January 13 & 15, 10:30 - noon
Learn the basic function of this word processing program. Please call to register: 237-7340.

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Planning for Water Runoff with Permeable Pavers

With ever-increasing levels of development, natural, open land is rapidly being replaced with impervious surfaces such as asphalt roadways, parking lots, and buildings. As a result, the management of stormwater runoff is becoming increasingly important. To address this issue, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council recently held a presentation to introduce one alternative to traditional asphalt and concrete surfaces. Representatives from Unilock discussed permeable pavers as an excellent example of a stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) to encourage infiltration of stormwater runoff. Additional information about the use of permeable pavers and stormwater runoff prevention is available by contacting Jennifer Gelb, Restoration Ecologist or Valerie Olinik-Damstra, Watershed Coordinator, at Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council by calling (231) 347-1181. Pictured are (from right) Jennifer Gelb and Valerie Olinik-Damstra from Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council seen here talking with representatives from Unilock about the use of permeable pavers as an example of a stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) to encourage infiltration of stormwater runoff.

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Tipping station proposed for Charlevoix Township

American Waste's garbage transfer station first in area in several years

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Striving to keep up with demand for sanitation removal, American Waste hopes to build a tipping station in Charlevoix Township just off U.S. 31 across the road from the Charlevoix Country Club.

The northern Michigan company, which offers garbage and solid waste removal services, serves Charlevoix and the surrounding 10 counties.

"The Charlevoix County Planning Commission makes the decision as to whether or not the proposed facility is in compliance with the approved County Solid Waste Management Plan," said Charlevoix County Planner Larry Sullivan. "The MDEQ (Michigan Department of Environmental Quality) is the state agency that actually permits solid waste facilities."

If approved by the Charlevoix County Planning Commission, the tipping station would operate under part 115 of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, PA 451 of 1994, as amended.

While it is unknown how much garbage the facility would see or how many trucks would come in and out of the property annually, Sullivan said the planning commission's only concern is whether the plan complies with the county's waste management plan.

"Whether it's 100 trucks a day or one truck a year, it would be considered a type 'A' transfer station," Sullivan said. "From the county's perspective, the proposed facility will either comply or not comply with our approved plan. If it complies, we must issue a letter of consistency."

A type "A" transfer station is one wherein smaller trucks are mechanically dumped at the station so larger trucks can be mechanically loaded.

Sullivan explained that it is a fancy way of saying the trucks are filled using either a large claw, or a hydraulic ramp and sometimes larger trucks drive into a depression in the ground and garbage is dumped from smaller trucks into the larger trucks headed for landfills.

A type "B" transfer station would include a tradi-

tional garbage dump wherein a single person with, for instance, a pick-up truck load of garbage bags would dump them.

While the plan appears to leave room for potential expansion and an increase in the number of buildings, Sullivan said it appears as though the initial construction would be limited to a 80 to 90 feet by 150 feet building.

Sullivan stressed that the plan is tentative and has yet to be approved.

Several smaller transfer stations exist in the county, but they are equipped only to handle residential or smaller quantities of construction and industrial waste.

"These existing operating transfer stations are located

in Boyne Valley Township on Addis Road, on Old M-75 in Melrose Township north of the unincorporated village of Walloon, in East Jordan and in St. James Township on Beaver Island," Sullivan said. "Three larger transfer stations have been licensed in the past but are not currently being operated. One is on US-31 South near Way Transportation, the second is located on Bells Bay Road and the third is located at the site of the Cedar Ridge Landfill."

Sullivan also stressed that this project, if approved, would only constitute a transfer station and not a landfill or dump.

A spokesman for American Waste did not return calls by press time.

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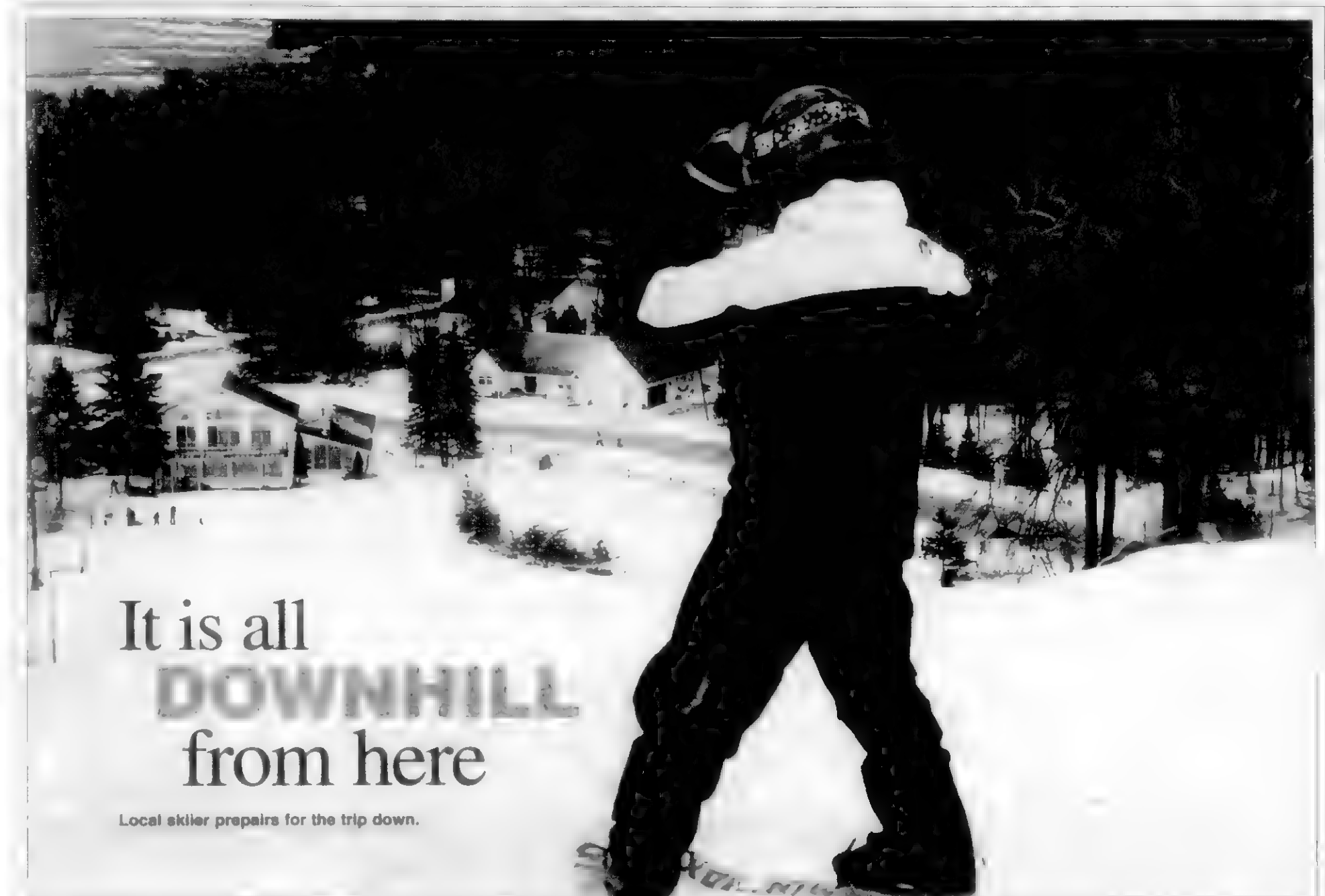
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Local skier prepares for the trip down.

Lost one skier, gained three

Charlevoix-East Jordan
Veteran coach Sue Miller is excited about the potential and the attitude of both her teams.

"Overall, it's a great group of kids to work with," Miller said. "We've had a lot of dryland training and those sessions have been great. Personality wise, we have a very spirited team."

Charlevoix-East Jordan lost four-time All-Stater Katherine Rowley — one of the area's all-time best skiers — but do return a strong trio in Amanda Fritsch, Emily Bajko and Mary Gocha, all of whom played key roles in helping the team to a fourth-place finish in last

year's state meet.

Other girl skiers include Jenna Kirby, Christina Rossell, Ellen Boyer, Hailey Crick and Alexandria Lobenherr.

For the Charlevoix-East Jordan boys, Michael Cardwell returns as does Joe Midakatsu, Tanner Fisher and Luke Hauley. Other boy skiers are Jordan Hagen, Paul Stolt, Brian Shuler, Justin Williams and Varun Archarya.

"It's been a great season so far," Miller said. "Now, we're looking forward to actual racing and the competitive aspect. Our biggest goal is to have fun and become better racers."

Charlevoix wrestling goes 2-3

The Charlevoix wrestling team earned a pair of wins en route to finishing 2-3 and in a fourth-place tie at the Alpena Tournament.

The Rayders earned victories over Cheboygan, 36-30, and Rudyard, 42-30; and fell to Grayling, 66-12; Alpena, 54-27; and Traverse City Central, 47-15.

Alpena won the tournament, while Rogers City was second and Grayling placed third.

For the Rayders, Zeke Daman finished with a 5-0 record on the day, while Matt Golovich went 4-1. Daman was named the tournament's outstanding lightweight wrestler by tournament coaches.

Daman, wrestling at 130 pounds, pinned Grayling's Dan Cval in one minute, 38 seconds; earned a 10-6 decision over Alpena's John Truss; pinned Rudyard's Jake

Perry in 1:16; and earned a 19-3 decision over Pico Biaz of T.C. Central. Daman won one other match by void.

Golovich picked up three wins via pin as he stuck Alpena's Zack Piper, 1:10; Rudyard's Chad Mensard, 1:50; and T.C. Central's Alex Laser, 1:27. Golovich's other win came on a void.

Charlevoix's Chris Evens, 215, also finished 4-1, pinning Alpena's Chad Bruski in 1:44; Cheboygan's Dave Charboneau in 1:45; and Rudyard's Logan Perry in 2:34. He also defeated T.C. Central's Scott Rademaker.

Also for the Rayders, Clay Hese, 189, recorded two pins, the first over Cheboygan's Eric Reimus, the second over Rudyard's Dylan King; Chris Waha, 135, pinned Rudyard's Tyler Griffith; and Curtis Russell, 103, pinned Grayling's



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Zeke Daman finished with a 5-0 record on the day.

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EDITOR

However, according to MSN Money, approximately 43 percent of American families spend more money than they earn each year—but with Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University about to be offered through the Community Reformed Church, help is available.

She added, "With all the financial stresses on each of us today, any tool that we could offer to help we wanted to do that."

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Abandoned shipwreck in jeopardy?

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State Department and not in individual state governments as a rule.

"I did research their claim. France has been working on this with the State Department since 2005," Gross said. "They thought they had done a submission of a claim when they contacted the State Department and presented them with documents that support the connection that it is a state (France's) ship."

In fact, according to Gross, France submitted the documentation of ownership to the State Department twice and followed that with an official meeting between a French ambassador and personnel from the State Department.

"The State Department presented to the court that evidence but the judge felt the information wasn't relevant and therefore didn't accept the claim," Libert added.

Despite publishing notices in mid-July, 2008, in both the Grand Rapids Press and Mar-

quette Mining Journal, the State of Michigan says no owner came forward.

The state added, "Several federal courts have held that the failure of an interested party to lay claim to a shipwreck after publication of the required notice is proof of abandonment."

But, Libert scoffed, "Do you think French officials are reading the Grand Rapids and Marquette papers?"

NO SHIP TO BE FOUND?
The court ordered Libert's group to provide the state with the wreck's coordinates and the state dove on said coordinates on Oct. 21 and 22.

"These divers found nothing, however, that could possibly be the remnants of a 17th century sailing vessel, with the exception of one wooden timber protruding from the lake bed," the state stated.

Libert said they didn't look hard enough.

"If you walk outside with 100 \$1 bills and the wind blows them away it's a dynamic ar-

ea—it's constantly moving," he said. "Now imagine walking around with your eyes closed and trying to find any of those bills. That's what it's like trying to find artifacts underwater, and I guarantee you with the dives they made there is no way in the world they could possibly locate everything we've done over the years."

He added, "They make it sound like there's nothing down there. If they would have gone another 20 feet they would have seen part of a deck section."

AN ABANDONED SHIP?
Even if a shipwreck was in Lake Michigan's depths, and even if it were Le Griffon, the state says it was abandoned long ago.

"It would be reasonable to infer from the fact that the Griffin sank over 300 years ago, that the wreck of this vessel is today abandoned on the bottom of Lake Michigan," the state stated.

However, Libert said, the act of a captain and crew abandon-

ing ship to save their lives, and the act of a country officially abandoning a sunken ship are two very different things.

But, Libert's most pressing worry is about potential treasure hunters because, he claims, the state should have been more clandestine in their dive.

"I received a call from our people in Michigan that someone was tampering with the area," said Libert, who has spots in the area who watch for suspicious vessels. "The state had a legal right to go out there, but you'd think they would have notified us and the Marshall's office."

He added, "For seven years I kept the site protected and now it's been breached because the state didn't take the proper security precautions. As soon as the weather changes I can tell you it will happen—it will be looted."

State officials did not respond to questions about Libert's claims by press time.

A MEETING WITH FRANCE
"We're still not 100 percent

sure it is the Griffon, but the State of Michigan is spending a hell of a lot of money to fight something they say does not exist," Libert said. "The state's saying that, even if it is the Griffon, France didn't jump in and make a claim, so the state owns it."

Gross met with the French Counsel General in Chicago on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 to discuss the matter.

"When France brought their documentation to the State Department, they thought they had filed a claim," Gross said. "The State Department was supposed to translate those documents and have them evaluated to see if they supported the claim and to my knowledge that was never done."

He added, "We've got a total breakdown in communication with the State Department, but France realizes this is a state (French) vessel and they want to claim it."

Gross said the French will now file a claim as soon as possible despite the state's assertion that the time for claiming ownership has passed.

"This is an absolute quagmire of a lawsuit and we haven't even identified this vessel," Gross said. "The proper way to do this is to identify the ship and then talk about it."

He added, "This belongs in museums as an artifact for any body to enjoy. By fighting this the State of Michigan is really promoting people just pillaging ships. Their stance is one of putting people on the defensive."

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Sheriff steps down

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Lenawee County Sheriff Richard Germond who served 36 years from 1965-2000.

In that time, Lasater said he's seen some major changes in the office he's overseen.

When he took office the jail typically saw a daily population from one to six people who were usually in for a break-in or an alcohol-related offense. Today the jail houses around 50 people daily who are in for the entire range of offenses.

Technology also has come a long way. Not only has the advent of the computer brought a whole new dimension to both crime and investigative work, but even technology used for traffic patrol has changed drastically.

"The first radar unit I saw literally took up the entire trunk of the car," Lasater said. "Today they're about as big as the palm of your hand."

Lasater said some of the events that will stick with him the most from his tenure are the many tragedies he's had to deal with.

"I've knocked on 85 doors," Lasater said of the many death notifications he's made.

Although it's the worst part of the job it's one he's always done himself.

"I always had the philosophy that (notifications) are not a deputy's job. That's my job. And I can't just walk up to the house and say 'I'm sorry.' It's in my make-up that I have to get involved," Lasater said.

The sheriff said he suspects his concern for handling such difficult matters himself goes back to his youth when a coun-

sel and her friend were killed in an accident and his family felt the police handled the notification process poorly.

"I think that stuck in my mind," he said.

That same hands-on philosophy put Lasater in harm's way on numerous occasions over the years. On several occasions he's negotiated face-to-face with barricaded gunmen, he was twice knocked unconscious by a suspect and in 2002 was seriously injured when a man on which he was trying to serve court papers rammed the barrel of a shotgun in his face.

Originally from Arkansas, after serving in the U.S. Air Force, and earning a degree in education from Arkansas State University, Lasater came to Northern Michigan where he worked as a school teacher in Boyne City, then as a counselor for the intermediate school district. He then became the area's first district court probation officer. He then began working summers as a marine patrol officer, then a part-time deputy sheriff, which ultimately led him to run for sheriff.

He said nothing could really have prepared him for some of the difficult aspects of the job, such as dealing with tragedies.

"Whenever I got a call in the middle of the night when my kids were growing up... when I'd come home after dealing with it, I'd go to each of their rooms and just sit there with them for a few minutes. That seemed to be therapeutic," Lasater said.

The sheriff said the high-profile nature of the job was

also something to which he had to get accustomed.

"George Thomas Lasater is a very reserved, quiet, stay under-the-radar, low profile person, and yet I'm placed in a very high profile position... that's out of my comfort realm," Lasater said.

Lasater said the decision to not seek re-election was a very difficult one, and one he wasn't quite ready to make.

"I made a promise to (incoming Charlevoix County Sheriff) Don (Schneider) four years ago that I wouldn't run again," Lasater said. "He's been loyal and I wanted to give him a chance. Four years rolled by and I said to myself, 'George, what did you do?' So, you have to be careful what you promise."

Lasater said he's proud of the department's many accomplishments over the years — from adding a sub-station to Boyne Falls shortly after taking office, to the work he and his staff did on difficult cases such as the Merriman murder case which ended in a conviction earlier this year.

He said one case he would like to have solved before leaving office is the April 15, 1988 disappearance of Victoria Marie Saliz, who was 69 when she was last seen near her Boyne Valley Township home.

So what's next for a man who has defined himself by his position for 32 years?

If he has his way, he won't be rocking away his days on a front porch or taking vacations to make up for the years of being on call around the clock.



PHOTO BY STEVE ZUCKER/NEWS-REVIEW

He will be missed

Boyne City Mayor Eleanor Stackus (left) hugs Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater as city commissioners Chuck Vondra (back left) and Ron Grunch applaud after she presented Lasater with a certificate of appreciation from the city commission at its Dec. 16 meeting.

Lasater said he hopes to get a job working as a chief of police for a small town, or perhaps open his own investigation business.

"I'm ready to go back to work on Jan. 2," he said.

As Lasater, an avid fan of

the Old West, prepares to ride off into the sunset Wednesday, he said he's grateful for all the people he's worked with over the years.

"I also have to give a lot of credit to my family," the sheriff said. "I'm sure that my kids

had to pay some dues over the years, but they never complained about it."

"I'm just so grateful to the citizens of Charlevoix County for allowing me to live out my childhood dream," Lasater said.

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The 6th Annual Fiddlers and Pickers Day will be held from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m., Jan. 10 at the VFW Hall, north of Charlevoix near the Marathon Gas station. Fiddlers, pickers and listeners are all welcome. Join the crowd for round and square dancing. There will be lots of food and beverages to keep your energy up. Entrance is by your generous donation which benefits the Jordan Valley Fiddler Jamboree Scholarship Fund. For more information call Gabe Campbell at 547-9739, Ed Holm at 547-9820 or Dan Johnson at (231) 526-5145.

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Farewell friend

Charlevoix Deputy-Chief of Police Scott Henkins shakes hands with outgoing Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater during a farewell celebration on Dec. 30 at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS

-52nd season at Mt. McSauba

Mt. McSauba kicked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cams to catch the snowboarders' action and more.

The official start of the season was Dec. 20. Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community-wide cause, call recreation director Ike Boss at 547-3253.

Visit www.mtmcsuba.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nsaa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

- Saturday Night Alive; fibromyalgia

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at Family of Faith located on 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix. Call 547-4221 for more information; Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BN

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Lions Club tree sale

Weekdays from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sundays from noon to 6 p.m. the Lions Club will sell Christmas trees in East Park.

BLOOD DRIVES

Noon to 5:45 p.m., Jan. 15, Community Reformed Church 100 Oak St.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-3851.

• Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday.

• Sew a Bomber Hat from a Recycled Sweater, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Jan. 10 - Call for a supply list - pre-register at 237-7340.

• Saturdays at the Movies: Alice in Wonderland, 2 p.m., Jan. 10 - Stop by the library for a free showing of this fun holiday movie. Popcorn for all.

TAI CHI CLASSES ALREADY IN PROGRESS

Classes began Jan. 6 at the Charlevoix Public Library. Tai Chi classes will be held for six weeks.

The beginners class will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at the Charlevoix Public Library's Community Room B. The intermediate class meets at 11 a.m. Classes each last one hour and are open to all. Cost for seniors is \$12; \$40 for those 60 and younger. Call 237-0103 or (231) 582-

7689 for more information. E-mail should be directed to megpots@global.net.

JAN. 10

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Intuitive watercolor painting workshop

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Jan. 10 at Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton Ave. Cost is \$75. Registration fee does not include materials and is due by Jan. 4. Address checks to: Charlevoix Circle of Arts, RE: watercolor, P.O. Box 617, Charlevoix, MI 49720. For more information call 547-2333.

Low-cost groceries

Angel Food Ministries orders for January will be taken from 10 a.m. to noon on Jan. 10 at Charlevoix church of the Nazarene and from 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine River apartments for residents only.

Winter fling

From 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Jan. 10, at the Nathan "Barry" Driggers Preserve, there will be a winter open house with hot beverages, snacks and a bonfire. Ski or snowshoe if you like. Call (231) 347-0991 for more information.

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Pre-diabetes education The class costs \$25, but scholarships may be available. Pre-registration is required. If you have been told by your physician that you have pre-diabetes or have any of the listed risk factors, take the first step and attend a pre-diabetes class. For more information, or to sign up for one of the classes contact the Charlevoix Area Hospital Diabetes Education Department at (231) 547-8571.

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Event schedule:

- Jan. 29 - Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool
- Feb. 5 - Volunteer Monitoring: Programs and Results
- Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities
- March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers
- March 12 - Native Plants

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, op-

tometrist Steve Voet's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

THAT'S MY PHOTO!

The photos on this page taken by Charlevoix residents and visitors were submitted to the Charlevoix Courier for this monthly feature. Photos can be dropped off at the Courier office at 112 Mason Street or e-mailed to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Information about the photographer and photo, including when it was taken and a brief description of what is pictured must also be submitted.



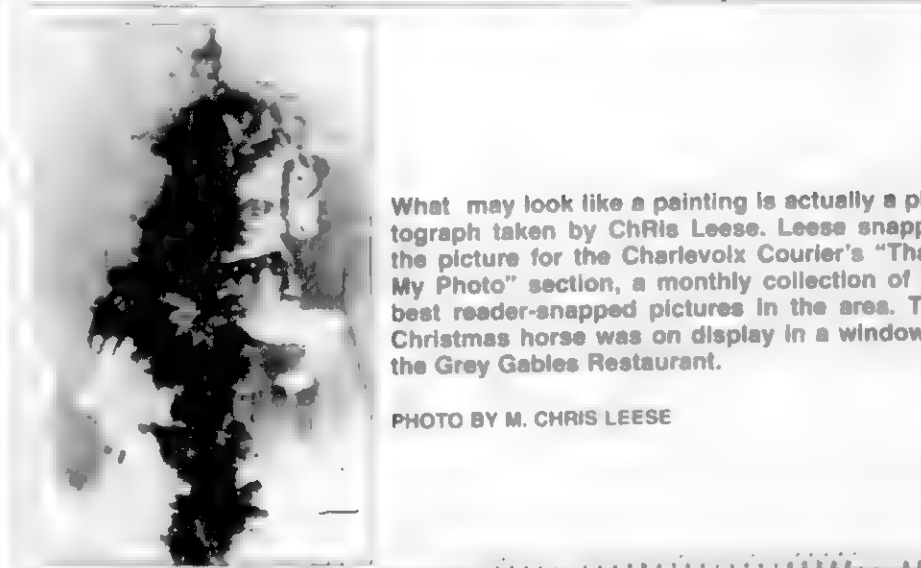
PHOTO BY JOE MURDICK

This colorful autumn scene is a far cry from winter's desolate deepfreeze in which Charlevoix currently finds itself. Joe Murdick of Charlevoix took this picture in the middle of October, 2008.



Julie Christiansen took this postcard quality photo of a lone seagull floating on high winds near the Charlevoix lighthouse on Dec. 28.

PHOTO BY JULIE CHRISTIANSEN



What may look like a painting is actually a photograph taken by Chris Leese. Leese snapped the picture for the Charlevoix Courier's "That's My Photo" section, a monthly collection of the best reader-snapped pictures in the area. This Christmas horse was on display in a window at the Gray Gables Restaurant.

PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE



PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

This sign of the season, a nearly 40-foot tall Christmas tree, was captured by Chris Leese. The tree, which Leese considers the most beautiful tree in the area, lives just off Rogers Road.



Tony Ashdon sent this piece of nostalgia all the way from Rockport, Mass. This shot is of the 1952 Klondike Wolf Patrol Charlevoix Boy Scouts Troupe 11 with their trusty sled. Pictured are (kneeling, from left) Sonny Pierce, Guy Swanson, Pet Gaskin and (standing, from left) Bobby Pierce, Tony Ashdon, and Jim Bump. Ashdon said this might have been the year his team came in first place. PHOTO COURTESY OF TONY ASHDON

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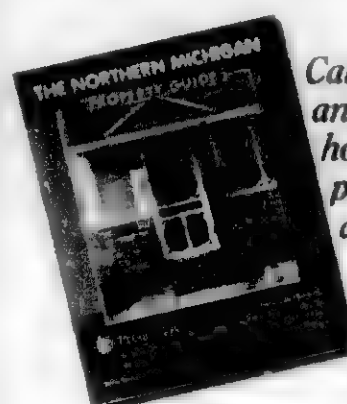


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Committee
aims to preserve
local history

Earl Young houses could be next

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Determines not to allow any more buildings with historical significance to fall to the developer's blade, a group of concerned Charlevoix citizens is taking action.

Both the Charlevoix Historic District Commission and the Charlevoix Historic District Study Committee are working to help ensure numerous local features will be here for decades to come.

"We're interested in preserving Charlevoix history through creating historical districts that would protect architecture and neighborhood character," said study committee chairman and vice-chairman of the historic district commission Mary Adams.

It would help increase tourism and when people visit cities that have historic districts, they spend more dollars than average tourists.

City Planner Mike Spencer, in a memo to city council, outlined events which spurred the current actions.

"The demolition of the Appletree Building in 2003, the former office of Earl Young, located on Bridge Street in the Downtown Business District was very controversial and thus resulted in the establishment of an ad hoc committee. The ad hoc historical preservation committee was established by city council on

Sept. 2, 2004 and was tasked with studying the feasibility of historic districts within the city," he stated.

The committee has two members from both the DDA, city council, chamber of commerce, historical society and the city planning commission.

The committee was, through their own accord, later dissolved and the historic district study committee was formed in its stead.

"City council made a resolution to appoint a historic district study committee on Jan. 17, 2005, who has the responsibility to undertake a photographic

inventory of all resources in the proposed district, research the history of the district, and write the preliminary report," Spencer stated.

"The study report includes the history of the proposed district, a statement of significance—association with significant events, and design/construction significance—historical research on the buildings in the designated area; a photographic inventory, resource counts and resource percentages."

When the report is finished, it will be sent to the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office, the Michigan Historic Commission and the state's historic preservation review board for review.

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Fiddling around at the VFW

Fiddler Danny Johnson (right) of Good Hart takes the musical lead as dancers fill the floor during Saturday's Jordan Valley Fiddler's Jam at the Charlevoix VFW Hall. Musicians from around the area came to play their stringed instruments in a jam session format, to the delight of a packed house who came to listen and dance.

City council: Sign ordinance stands
Businesses off the main drag unhappy with decisionBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Signs, signs, everywhere signs.

They direct you to hospital, police, restaurants and historical attractions, but what happens when your business is down a side street and your hopes to attract clientele with a sign the city says you cannot erect?

"I get people in here every day asking where something is because the signage is so poor,"

said Tony Duerr, owner of Pine River Books, a used book store located a short walk down Park Avenue from Charlevoix's main drag.

"They don't know where the banks are, they don't know where teller machines are, they have no idea where the Earl Young houses are."

He added, "We need to do a much better job on wayfinding. Make ourselves more welcoming to visitors to our town."

Duerr, along with several other Park Avenue businesses which in-

clude the Alcove Cafe, Treasure Chest nautical gift shop and Panache Hair Studio had hoped to get permission from the city to erect what they feel is a modest sign on the south wall of the Talula building at 115 Bridge St., right at the corner of Bridge and Park.

However, city council recently adopted their sign ordinance with minor language changes and no provision for a pedestrian wayfinding sign.

"Those of us who operate busi-

nesses that are not on Bridge Street have had a big problem getting no need," Duerr said. "Pedestrians in large numbers walk up and down Bridge Street but are not aware that there are businesses on the side street."

Duerr, who has been working on the matter of what he calls "pedestrian friendly signs" for two years, said city council's reasoning for refusing the signs is a complete

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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan.

Jessica Lynn French, 39, East Jordan. Attempted larceny less than \$200. Credit for 15 days in jail; 20 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work, to serve one year on probation, \$1,045 in fines and costs.

Joseph Benjamin Granath, 25, Kalamazoo. Controlled substance: possession of

marijuana. Credit for one day in jail, serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,000 in fines and costs.

Tracey Allen Johnson, 29, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/

controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; to attend Impact weekend; \$980 in fines and costs.

James William Girard, 39, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Credit for one day in jail; \$200 in fines and costs.

Christopher Alfred Hayden, 25, Charlevoix. Aggravated assault; domestic violence. Credit for four days in jail, to serve 10 days in jail; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/

possess alcohol/controlled substances; no contact with the victim; \$2,089 fines and costs.

Richard Allen Faulkner, 48, East Jordan. Disorderly/drunken. Fines and costs totaling \$400.

Benjamin David Knapp, 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Fines and costs totaling \$300.

Dale Scott McMahan, 45, Boyne City. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$600 in fines and costs or serve 24 days in jail.

Charles Hunter King, 20, Ada. Minor in possession of alcohol; failure to stop after a collision. Serve 60 hours of community service work, \$500 in fines and costs.

Matthew Abraham Seder, 36, Charlevoix. Contributing to the delinquency of a minor. To serve 15 days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

James DeShawn Thomas, 31, Conway. No operator license on person; false identification. Credit for 12 days in jail; \$520 in fines and costs.

Gary Lee Clark, 27, Charlevoix. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

David Carl Alspaugh, 55, Traverse City. Motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$315 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

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CORRECTIONS

Due to incorrect information provided to Charlevoix Courier, it was stated in the "Best of the Best," page 10 of the Dec. 31 edition of Charlevoix Courier that the

Oktoberfest was brought to Charlevoix by Mick and Lori Randall. The festival was sponsored by St. Mary Parish's fun and fellowship committee.

The proposed sanitation transfer station story, which appeared on Page 10 of the Jan. 7 Charlevoix Courier incorrectly stated that the station is proposed for Charlevoix Township when it is actually proposed for Hayes Township.

Due to reporter error it was stated in the Jan. 7 edition of Charlevoix Courier that Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater took office after defeating Milo Sumner. It should have read that he defeated Philo Sumner.



BENJAMIN J. GOHS, EDITOR

Due to Reporter error, a picture of the A.L.P. plant on U.S. 31 was used with a press release on the closing of the Taylor Road extrusion plant. The building pictured above is the plant which has been slated for closing. We apologize for the confusion we caused.

CLAIRIFICATION

The Heidi Miller interviewed by Charlevoix Courier in an article entitled "One Woman's Fight" which appeared in the

Dec. 31, 2008 edition was not 30-year-old Heidi Miller, formerly of Charlevoix, now of Chicago, Ill.

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County roads waiting on Washington

Hoping for help from president-elect Barack Obama's economic stimulus plan

CHRISTINA ROHN
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

The Charlevoix County Road Commission is waiting on Washington before moving forward on three large projects this year worth more than \$9.4 million.

The road commission said it's looking to do road rehabilitation for both Ellsworth Road and Boyne City/Charlevoix Road, as well as new construction on a maintenance garage on Beaver Island.

Patrick Harmon, manager of the road commission, said he is hoping that Charlevoix County will get a piece of the \$775 billion U.S. economic stimulus plan, which president-elect Barack Obama is expected to propose within the first months of his presidency, to fund its projects.

"I want to be ready here — if we can get these projects done with that stimulus package it would be huge to Charlevoix County, to our businesses and to our taxpayers," Harmon said.

Obama's stimulus plan, if passed, would be a combination of tax cuts (\$1,000 for couples and \$500 for individuals) and infrastructure spending.

According to the Associated Press, the nation's governors are pushing a wish list of \$136 billion in job-producing public works projects — mainly road and bridge repairs.

Obama told the Associated Press recently that his plan would "make the single largest new investment in our national infrastructure since President Eisenhower established the Interstate Highway System in the 1950s."

Harmon said this plan could be a great relief to their road commission as well as taxpayers.

"There's talk of the stimulus package being 100 percent (for project funding) — if that's the case, we don't have to use our millage funding," he said.

In fall of last year, residents of Charlevoix County approved a county-wide millage that would fund road construction, including repaving and black top.

Harmon said he is still unclear as to how everything will shake out, but is hopeful that Obama's plan will give the county a much-needed

boost.

"Who knows how this will turn out, if it's 100 percent, it's a real sweet deal," he said. "If this stimulus package doesn't happen, (the projects) are going to have to fall back on the millage."

The road commission is hoping to complete three projects in 2009, which include the rehabilitation of 13.65 miles of Boyne City/Charlevoix Road between the Boyne City limit and Western Avenue. They have plans to widen the road's two lanes by one foot each (from 11 feet to 12 feet), adding four-to-eight-foot paved shoulders. This total project cost is expected to be \$6,826,800.

The Ellsworth Road project is estimated to cost \$1,879,400. It would encompass 3.79 miles of the road between the Charlevoix/Antrim county line and the East Jordan westerly city limit. This road would also be widened from 11 feet to 12 feet for each lane, with three-to-eight-foot paved shoulders.

The road commission is also proposing to rebuild a maintenance garage on Beaver Island, which would be between 9,000-10,000 square feet, and would cost around \$760,000. The current building is more than 80 years old, and is around 2,000 square feet.

Shirley Roloff, Charlevoix County commissioner, said she believes the Beaver Island garage is desperately needed.

"We've been looking at this (project) for 10 years, so when I saw this (proposal), I was pleased," she said.

Harmon agreed that something needed to be done on the island, and soon.

"That building was there in the '20s — it's very, very small — we outgrew that building 15 years ago," he said. "It's in rough shape; I'm embarrassed by it."

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Charlevoix resident John Haggard made a proposal to the road commission board to consider paving Ellsworth and the Boyne/City Charlevoix roads with concrete instead of asphalt to stimulate the local economy.

"I know (concrete) is possibly more expensive than blacktop, but you've also got St. Marys (Cement) here — we're talking local dollars and local manufacturing to take care of the locals," he said. "There's a chance here to reduce oil, go more green and employ locals."

Keith Ogden, Charlevoix County road commissioner, said there were several problems with this proposal.

"(Concrete) basically doubles the material costs — you're upping the cost significantly," he said. "The problem with concrete is that at the 10-year mark, 12 at the latest, you get joint failure, so you run into a maintenance problem, and it's a big problem — concrete doesn't give, it collapses."

"For up here, we don't think concrete on the road is a viable alternative ... I think asphalt is the way to go."

Doug Way, chairman of the Charlevoix County Road Commission, said this discussion wasn't over just yet.

"I want to thank John (Haggard) for his idea — I like it, I like what you're saying," he said. "We'll continue to look at this."

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Guard rail on drawbridge repaired

NOAH FOWLE
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

One of the Charlevoix drawbridge's guardrails lay broken along the sidewalk early Monday morning. Although the cause of the damage to the north-east guardrail is still unknown, plans to repair it are already in place.

Tom Irvin, the maintenance superintendent for the north region of MDOT, said because the bridge was not open to regular maritime traffic the repairs are not a high priority.

"I know that it has been damaged, and it's been turned over to the state wide crew," he said. "If this had happened in season, it

would already be fixed."

Neither MDOT officials nor Charlevoix Police received reports of criminal damage to the guardrail or of an automobile accident along the bridge.

"We don't know anything about it," said police chief Gerard Doan. "It could have been the wind."

Irvin said he had no details on the damage, but did not rule out weather as the cause.

"It could be weather related," he said. Now fixed, one of the Charlevoix drawbridge's guardrails lay broken along the sidewalk early last week.

Although the cause of the damage to the northeast guardrail is still unknown, re-

pairs were minor.

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While the cause of destruction is yet unknown, the northern guardrail in the northbound lane (front, far left) has been repaired by Michigan Department of Transportation crews.

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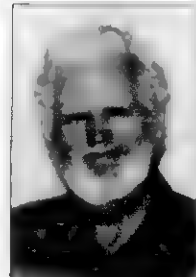
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Failed marriages a blight on humanity



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Stephen Guthrie

It's a sad sight, a sorry state of affairs. The parade of failed marriages continues marching through our community. It is particularly frustrating for a counselor, because too often the couples who come to counseling wait until things have gotten so bad that one has already given up. And once a husband or wife has crossed that line there's seemingly nothing left to do with that marriage but fill out the death certificate.

When we sit and reconstruct what went wrong I find a predictable pattern that unfolds in six steps.

In the first step, one or the other begins to behave differently in a way that brings ten-

sion into the union. It might be a flirtatious wife, a husband gambling away his paycheck, or either of them becoming so argumentative as to border on emotional abuse.

Thrown in a pinch of financial stress in the family budget, plus a dash of poor communications, and you have a recipe for a marriage in distress.

Now at step two, tension builds until tears, accusations, and slamming doors become the norm in the household.

Husbands and wives become like strangers. Common goals, and even common courtesy, fall by the wayside.

At this point, if this marriage was a body in so much physical pain someone would take it to a doctor, maybe even the emergency room.

People seem to have an amazing capacity to endure emotional pain, and those who would rush to the ER for a hangnail will live with heartache, sorrow, and depression until their marriage is mush.

At step three in our predictable pattern, the spouse whose behavior did not change be-

comes alarmed.

They see where this is heading, and it frightens them. They begin to sound the alarm bell with their wavering spouse, but because the quality and quantity of meaningful communication is so poor what is meant as a warning comes across as an accusation.

The spouse whose behavior changed digs in, levels a few accusations of their own, and makes it clear they don't see a problem.

"Get over it" is their attitude, and the clear message is they are not going to inconvenience themselves in the least in the interest of marital health.

Somewhere in step three the concerned spouse begs the wavering spouse to go with them to counseling or to visit with their pastor. That overture is often rejected out-of-hand. Counselors and pastors are judgmental and might ask me to stop what I'm doing, reasons the wavering spouse.

And besides, counselors cost money. I know you're upset, they tell the concerned spouse, but things aren't that bad.

Next thing you know it's step six, and light bulbs are popping

on above the head of the wavering spouse who did not want to invest in saving the marriage. Yikes, this must be serious, they suddenly realize, and this has the potential to cost me a lot of money.

They suddenly see themselves working two jobs to pay child support and living in a little apartment.

And suddenly, they don't want to lose their marriage. What to do? "Honey," they ask, "is it too late to go to counseling?"

The sad reality is it probably is too late. Typically, the newly enlightened spouse sits in my office highly motivated to do whatever it takes to salvage the union. They weep, they beg,

they bargain.

But from my chair I see the emptiness in the eyes of the spouse who has given up. Somewhere deep in their heart a switch has been flipped and the lights are out on this marriage.

They have come to counseling not to try any heroic measure to save their union, but to have me tell their spouse it's all over.

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LETTERS to the editor

RESOURCE CENTER APPRECIATIVE

Editor:

The holiday season is behind us but the spirit of goodwill shown by the Northern Michigan community will long be remembered by all of us at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRC). The WRC Harvest Food and Supply Drive, which benefits the Safe Home, brought forth an outpouring of donations of non-perishable food and household goods. Through the generosity of local service groups, schools, churches, businesses, clubs, and individuals the Safe Home pantry is stocked with food and supplies, and many fami-

lies in need have received holiday gifts and cheer.

The WRC offers the only shelter for survivors of domestic abuse in Emmet, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Otsego, and Antrim counties, providing emergency shelter 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Last year alone, 177 women and children took refuge at Safe Home to escape the danger of physical, emotional, and/or verbal abuse. An average of 7 people stayed at the Safe Home each day of the year.

Over 7,100 complete meals were provided to residents in addition to clothing, toiletries, diapers, and all other daily needs. Local support received

from the community during the Harvest Food and Supply Drive, and throughout the year, plays a critical role in the WRC's ability to provide these vital services to survivors of domestic abuse and their children.

Thank-you to everyone who has given so generously to make a positive difference in our community through your gifts to the WRC. We greatly appreciate your support.

Sincerely,
Jamie Winters
Safe Home Coordinator,
Women's Resource Center
of Northern Michigan

Snowmobile trail maintenance approved

A bipartisan plan that will help maintain and improve the grooming operations on the state's snowmobile trails was approved by the Senate last Thursday and sent to the governor, said Sen. Jason Allen, chair of the Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee, who sponsored a key bill in the package.

Allen said the Michigan Snowmobile Association believes its members will be unable to continue grooming operations unless there is an increase in the trail permit fee.

Effective July 1, 2009, the current snowmobile registration fee will go from \$22 to \$30 and the fine for operating a snowmobile without a registration will rise from \$50 to \$200.

Senate Bill 1489 specifies that \$5 from each registration fee may be used to purchase lands, lease lands, and secure easements to expand trails. Under Senate Bill 1490, sponsored by Sen. James Banta, D-Bay City, \$8 from each registration shall be deposited in a new snowmobile trail easement ac-

count.

Snowmobiling is an integral part of tourism in northern Michigan and throughout the state, Allen said.

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Ice forms under water: fact or fiction?



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

For most of my working life I have walked to work. We lived about two miles from Luther College, and I usually walked that distance, daily, summer and winter.

My route included a bridge across the Upper Iowa River, a medium sized stream with areas where water flowed a few feet deep over rocky shoals.

One very cold January morning, my look at the river caused me a serious double take.

The rocks visible in the bottom of the stream were covered with several inches of ice. I stared in disbelief.

I knew that ice is lighter than water and that bodies of water freeze from the top down, not from the bottom up.

I grew up in Minnesota, with ten thousand lakes, and every one of them was covered with winter ice.

I knew that ice floated. If someone had told me that ice formed on the bottom of streams, I would have doubted them.

If I had been shown a picture of such ice, I might have thought it had been doctored in some way. However, it is difficult to doubt the direct evidence of one's eyes.

I rushed to the Biology Department to report what I viewed

as something close to miraculous.

The resident aquatic biologist said calmly, "Oh, yes, that's called anchor ice. It forms in very cold weather when the rocks are well below freezing temperature."

My miracle event turned out to have a very ordinary explanation by someone who had studied lakes and streams more than I had.

I have taken the story of anchor ice as a sort of parable of how we may misunderstand or misinterpret events without some expert help.

An expert in this case is not a powerful person with a strong opinion, it is someone who has actually studied a problem or situation, collected evidence and come to a conclusion. Evidence

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All events, except for the members-only club ride, are free.

The price of admission to the members-only ride is to purchase a club membership. "The club is both a social group and a volunteer work group," said club president Kevin Wright. "Club members set up and maintain the local trail system. This includes signing, brushing and grooming."

EVENTS:
• 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Jan. 24 is the annual community ride-in at Ferry Beach pavilion. This event is open for the entire community whether you come by snowmobile, car or foot.
• 9 a.m. - Feb. 7 club ride.

Meet at the Flight Deck parking. This event is open to all.

• Feb. 21 - Members-only day ride. Details are to be determined.

Wright said the season's early snowfall has helped make for good riding.

"Our couple of warm spells ha(ve) decreased the snow

base right in Charlevoix, but the outlying areas were not affected as badly and there is a lot of good riding just out of town and eastward," he said.

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NOAH FOWLE/NEWS-REVIEW

Swearing in the new sheriff

Judge Richard Pajtas swore in Sheriff Don Schneider on Wednesday, Dec. 31, before a standing room only crowd at the Charlevoix County Circuit Court.

WEDDING announcement

Timothy John Partridge of Chicago, Ill., and Shayna Lyn Drost of Charlevoix, were married Oct. 4, 2008 at the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church.

The Rev. John "Chap" Sauer performed the 4 p.m. nuptials in the presence of 200 wedding guests.

The bride is the daughter of Chris and Danya Drost of Charlevoix and the groom is the son of Jack and Mary Partridge of Saline, Mich.

The wedding guests were seated by special friends Jesse Prins and Jesse Reimink.

Janay Drost, sister of the bride served as the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Taya Schick, sister of the bride Taryn Yager, sister of the bride, Kayla Partridge, sister of the groom, Kendra Neil and Liz Fox, both friends of the bride.

Matt Partridge, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Groomsmen were friends of the groom: Dan Holt, Brett Jager, Ryan Klein, Steven Kratz and John Spruance.

Music was provided by Matt Wixom who played "Prelude in C Major" by J.S. Bach, and "The Rose."

Amanda Boss performed a solo "I'll Stand By You" by Carole Underwood.

Kyle Kramer provided a beautiful reading: Colossians

3-12-14.

A reception followed the ceremony at the Charlevoix Country Club which was hosted by the couple's parents.

Tim and Shayna spent their honeymoon in the Mayan Riviera.

They are both graduates of Hope College in Holland, Mich.

Tim graduated with a double major in biology and business management and a minor in chemistry; and Shayna graduated with an elementary education degree with a focus on social studies.

The newlyweds are making their home in Chicago, Ill., where Tim is attending Loyola Stinch School of Medicine and Shayna is pursuing an elementary school teaching position.

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CHARLEVOIX STUDENTS NAMED TO NMC DEAN'S LIST

The Charlevoix County students listed below have been named to the Dean's List for Fall Semester 2008 at Northwestern Michigan College: Megan Cross, Katelyn Jarema, Colleen Smith.

The Dean's List recognizes outstanding academic achievement of full-time students who do unusually well in their studies. The list includes the names of those students who have achieved a current grade point average of 3.5 or above out of a possible 4.0.

Official Notice

NORTH COUNTRY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD will hold its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room, Second Floor, One MacDonald Drive, Suite A, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Anyone who has special needs or information to be brought before the NCCMH Board should contact Joan Booth at (231)347-7890.

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Rockin' for a cause

Northwest Academy alumnus and member of the band Breathe Owl Breathe, Tammy Sundelius will be performing a concert to benefit Northwest Academy at 6:30 p.m., Feb. 19 at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix. Tickets are on sale now for \$12 and tickets will be available at the door for \$15. Student rate is \$10 per ticket. Tickets are available at the school by calling 547-9000.



SUBMITTED BY ZITA WINN

Buddy the Round Lake white goose passed away earlier last week. Buddy spent the last eight springs, summers and falls floating around Round Lake, peering residents and tourists for a leaf of lettuce or just a little attention. Because he did not fly, and survival on the lake became too tough, Buddy wintered at a farm in Atwood. His best friend and caretaker Dave Guanci would catch and move Buddy back and forth from Atwood to Round Lake and kept Buddy fed; recruiting helpers to continue his feeding schedule if he had to leave town. Dave lovingly spoiled Buddy by providing a float in his boathouse if Buddy wanted to get out of the water and there was a feeding bowl suspended within easy reach, just above water level. Buddy had an unusually loud honk that was easily recognizable. He didn't like horns of any type and felt the need to honk back at every horn he heard. The Emerald Isle and Beaver Islander horns signaling departure especially annoyed him, but any car alarm honking downtown also got a return honk from Buddy. Many boaters were aware of his horn issue and would playfully honk at him to show his talent to their friends. Buddy knew his name, so if you called to him across the lake—Dave just had to whistle—he would actually make a wake in the "no wake zone" to get to you ... and the food you held. Buddy was a very interesting character if you took the time to get to know him, which many did. It is believed that Buddy was probably just dropped off in Charlevoix one day eight years ago—lucky for him and us.

What's happening at the Library this week?

An Ode to Ben & Jerry's Dessert Hour

Thursday, January 14, 4:00 - 5:30 pm
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Enjoy an afternoon creating a luscious dessert from the new Ben & Jerry's Homemade Ice Cream and Dessert Book.

Story Time

Thursday, January 15, 10:30 am
Birth - age 5

Join authors, illustrators, singers, finger plays, crafts and fun!

It's Your Turn! Video Games for Adults

Thursday, January 15, 1:00 pm

Video games are not just for kids anymore. Current video games are now used in physical therapy, to stimulate the mind and offer a fun way to low impact exercise. We will demonstrate bowling, tennis and guitar here. Come and try for yourself!

Open Mic Night

Thursday, January 15, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

Youth Read-a-Thon

Friday, January 16, 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Grades 3 & up
No School! What to do? Spend a warm afternoon reading! Who can read the longest? Bring a blanket and a water bottle. Books will be checked out one day.

Gamerooms

Friday: 3:00 - 4:45 pm

Grades 5 - 7

Try out one of the new games. Need for Speed Underground II or Crash Bandicoot. Twinstory or go back to the tried and true of Guitar Hero or DDR - the rhythm games.

Out of the Book Bag: Ideas for What To Read Next!

Saturday, January 17, 2:00 pm

Come to this Book Talk featuring a dozen

new library books. Judith Ivan, Library Assistant, will give highlights from each of the books and an overview of the authors. Attendees are welcome to bring a favorite book of their own to share with the group.

Computer Boot Camp: Web 2.0

Monday, January 19, 10:30 - noon

This demonstration of cool websites will sharpen your internet skills and knowledge. Facebook, Google Earth, Medline and more!

High Hopes in Sweeney Sox

Tuesday, January 20, 7:00 pm

As part of our Travel and Adventure Series, Joan Young will take you on the adventure of hiking the National Scenic Trail with photos and anecdotes.

State of Higher Education in Northern Michigan

Tuesday, January 20, 7:00 pm

Join the Friends of the Library for their annual meeting and listen to the witty, Charlie McInnis, Director of PR at NMC, discuss education concerns in northern Michigan.

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Dagmar A. Muma: Passed on Jan. 3, 2009

Dagmar Ann Muma, age 64, went to be with her Lord, Saturday, Jan. 3.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Allen Muma, her parents, Aaron and Lulla Brock, and her sister-in-law, Patu Muma.

Dagmar will be lovingly remem-

bered by her children, Jeff (Katie) Muma, Cheryl (Craig) Ostergren, David (Leanne) Muma; her grandchildren, Elyse, Ben, Drew, Lena, Liam, Anna, Asa; and her brothers, Ralph (Mary) Brock, Peter (Cindy) Brock, Aaron (Kim) Brock; her brothers-in-law, Earl (Alice) Muma, Robert (Maria) Muma and

Gerald Muma; and several nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation was held 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Cook Funeral Home in Jenison, 1889 Baldwin St.

Funeral services were held 11 a.m., Friday at Grand Rapids First in the Prayer Chapel, 2100 44th

St. SW.

Memorial contributions may be made to an education fund for Dagmar's grandchildren at Lake Michigan Credit Union.

The family welcomes memories and messages in their guestbook online at www.cookfuneralservices.com.

Barbara F. Gallagher: Nov. 29, 1917 - Jan. 7, 2009

Barbara F. Gallagher, 91, said her final goodbye to her family and friends on Jan. 7, 2009.

She will be missed by many. She was born on Nov. 29, 1917, in Petoskey, to Armandus and Hazel (Mills) Evers, and grew up on the family farm in Hayes Township.

On Jan. 24, 1942, she married James W. Gallagher in Petoskey, and he preceded her in death on Jan. 27, 1975.

Barbara's family was the center of her care and love.

While playing the piano in ac-

companiment to James on the banjo, she passed a love of music to all her children.

Her love of nature and wildlife, gave her such pleasure and peace, and this she shared with her family as well.

Barbara also cared for her community.

She was treasurer of the Community Food Pantry, active in the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild, and her church, Christ Episcopal.

She was a Girl Scout leader for fifteen years.

Barbara worked as a teacher's aide in special education at the Charlevoix Middle School, retiring at age 70.

Her last community event, at age 80, was the fundraising Crop Walk from Charlevoix to Ironton.

Barbara is survived by her children, Kathy Hunter of Charlevoix, Callie (Justin) Folske of Marquette, Becky (Wendell) Norman of Cincinnati, Ohio, Kevin (Annelies Hut) of Groningen, The Netherlands, Mark Gallagher of Washington, DC; many grandchil-

dren and great-grandchildren, as well as her caring family of the past ten years at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Barbara's brothers Leonard and Stanley Evers preceded her.

A memorial service will be announced in June.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix, or to the Alzheimer's Association, 1040 Walnut St. Traverse City, MI 49686.

Kenneth L. Wilson: Sept. 19, 1922 - Jan. 8, 2009

Kenneth L. Wilson, 86, of Charlevoix, died Thursday, Jan. 8, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Funeral was 1 p.m., Monday, Jan. 12, at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, the Reverend Dr. Robert Luck of the First Presbyterian Church in Petoskey officiated.

Interment was made in Brookside Cemetery in the spring.

Ken was born Sept. 19, 1922, in Harbor Springs to Kenneth L. and

Grace (Davenport) Wilson.

He graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1940, and from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering.

During World War II, Ken served in the US Army Air Corps in New Guinea and the Philippines as a Staff Sergeant.

On June 15, 1946, he married Frances M. Meggison in Breckenridge, Mich.

Ken and Fran made their home in Southfield where he was employed by Michigan Bell Telephone for 37, retiring to their home in Charlevoix in 1979.

Ken was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Petoskey. He is survived by his wife Fran of Charlevoix; children, Kollene K. Wilson (Allison Kaye) of Los Angeles, Calif., Pamela J. Grove of Midland, Kenneth R. Wilson of Sterling Heights, Charles B. (Lau-

rie) Wilson of Ironwood, grandchildren, Cassie, Kent, Courtney, and Kale Wilson; Steven, Brian, and Jason Grove; brother, Stuart and Connie Wilson and their son, Matthew of Lake Mills, Wis.

Memorial donations may be directed to the First Presbyterian Church in Petoskey.

Visitation was Sunday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Norman A. Goodwin: Feb. 18, 1918 - Jan. 10, 2009

Norman A. Goodwin, 90, went home to be with the Lord on Jan. 10.

Beloved husband of Suzanne. Dear father of Barbara (Dave) Langan of Tinley Park, Ill., Joanne Townsend of Allegan, and Norman (Betsy) Goodwin, Jr. of Sodus, N.C.

Loving grandfather of Shane and Chance (Lori) Townsend; Tracy and Dr. Emily Langan; Gia (Brian) Carnes; and four great-grandchildren.

Norm also leaves two sisters, Charlotte Merrill of Osterville,

Mass., and Ruth Stone of Allegan.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Dessie (Pickett) Goodwin, and two brothers, Wayne and Ivan.

Norman was born Feb. 18, 1918, in Pullman, Mich.

Norman attended Michigan State University and Western Michigan University, and then served in the U.S. Army during World War II, returning to work in his family's company, Carl Goodwin and Sons Highway Construction Company.

He served as president of the company for eight years before

retiring after working 42 years.

He served as president of the Michigan Road Builders Association in 1960, and was active in the organization during his entire career.

Norm served on several bank boards and was president of Western Michigan Inns being the builders and owners of the Holiday Inn of Grand Haven.

He was an avid golfer, and enjoyed fly-fishing, boating, wood-carving and painting.

A Rite of Christian Burial was 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 13, at

Saint Mary Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Jerry Hunko officiated.

Visitation was from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Monday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix where a Vigil Service took place at 6:30 p.m.

Interment was in Saint Mary Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the /ano Club of Charlevoix, Saint Mary Church, Saint Mary School, or to the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Susan K. Madigan: July 31, 1940 - Jan. 11, 2009

Mrs. Susan Kay Madigan, age 68 of Cheboygan, passed away Sunday, Jan. 11.

She was born in Cheboygan on July 31, 1940, to Hobart and Violet (Ehrig) Kirsch.

She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Cheboygan.

Susan is survived by her children, Valerie K. (Dennis) Matthews, Rodney P. (Susan) An-

derson, Nicholas H. Xiros II, and Doretha M. (Bill) Brodin; grandchildren, Lawrence J., and Matthew Skippengosh, Chelsea S. Anderson, Patrick Matthews, Nick P. Anderson, Zoe M., Bill, and Bethany Brodin; great-grandson, Wade R. Skippengosh; and brothers and sisters, Barleen (Phil) Venne, Thelma (George) Felski, Sally Bailey,

Mary Marsh, Sandy (Bob) Root, and Hobart (Vicki) Kirsch.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Robert Kirsch, Herman Kirsch, and Jack Kirsch.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Jan. 16 at 11 a.m. from the St. John's Lutheran Church in Cheboygan.

Interment will take place at Brookside Cemetery in

Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Madigan family, through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

Friends may share condolences online at www.nelsonsfuneralhome.com

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Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 85291 M-66 North Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Tuesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Ryp Haskins 547-4438	ELLSWORTH WESLEYAN CHURCH Center of Elm & Park • Ellsworth Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 538-7455
BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard & Kleefer Road Church School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:11 a.m. Pastor: Michael Maurer 536-2161	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 3815 Upright Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Michael Aup 547-4221
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CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 164 State Street Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5168	FREEDOM HOUSE 12705 US-31 Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Senior Leader: Paul Bradley 237-0800
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Suit against old Norwood board dropped

Suit against new Norwood board to be filed

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The proverbial dust had not even settled on the settlement between the Norwood Township Citizens for Health and Safety, the Wynkoops and the Norwood Township Board over the so-called third lawsuit before more litigation was in the works.

Spurred by what he called a blatant violation of his rights, Wayne Wynkoop felt his most recent application for a special use permit to allow his proposed Norwood Limestone Mine should have been reviewed by the proper authorities.

"We are in the process of filing against the township in Grand Rapids federal court," Wynkoop said. "By them deciding not to process our special use permit, they have violated my 14th Amendment

right to due process."

Wynkoop submitted his most recent special use permit application in recent weeks, but it was decided during a closed session meeting of the Norwood Township Board's Dec. 20 special meeting, that the board would not allow Wynkoop's application to be submitted until his appeals court cases were decided or dropped.

Norwood Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton said, while he was unaware of Wynkoop's plan to file suit, the decision not to view his application was based on an opinion by township attorney Bryan Graham.

"It was almost common sense," Hamilton said. "We'll process his application, he just has to drop the appeals."

According to Norwood Township's own zoning rules and regulations, the township

is allowed to amend, supplement or change the ordinance, following a recommendation of the planning commission, which apparently was not done prior to the Dec. 20 decision to reject Wynkoop's application from being reviewed.

According to planning commission vice-chairman Tom Mielke never happened.

"The planning commission had nothing to do with this," Mielke said.

Norwood Township Zoning Administrator Janet Person, in an e-mailed response to questions, stated that she knows of no language in the township's zoning which says you don't have to review a permit application.

"They're acting as though they amended the ordinance, but they didn't get a recommendation from the planning commission," Wynkoop said.

"By their action they have really violated their own ordinance."

Person said every permit is reviewed for administrative correctness under the ordinance.

"This could take minutes to days to complete," she stated. "I did not decide not to review it prior to Dec. 20. That decision was taken out of my hands by the township board, via a letter from their attorney."

This most recent threat to litigate comes just days after the Jan. 6 dismissal of the third lawsuit against Wynkoop which was brought by the citizens group against Wynkoop, his wife and the township for alleged environmental violations including allegations of draining wetlands, flooding wetlands, and putting Norwood residents' health in jeopardy.

However, the case was dismissed after the citizens group made a deal with Wynkoop that, if he sent a letter to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources claiming he would consider an offer to sell them his land, they would drop the case.

"It's beyond me," Wynkoop said. "They were saying that I was putting everyone

in danger and destroying the wildlife, but all it took was me sending a letter to the DNR to get the case dropped."

Wynkoop still has two appeals of lower court rulings waiting for a decision on whether to be heard by the Michigan Supreme Court.

However, due to the high court's case load, it is possible the cases will never be heard.

Community leaders to be recognized

Get your tickets to chamber dinner

Beginning with cocktails at 5:30 p.m., Jan. 23 at Castle Farms, the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce's 50th Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet will be the venue for recognizing community members who have helped the chamber and Charlevoix area at large.

Tickets for this event, which is open to the public, cost \$40 per person and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call 547-2101.

The chamber board will award in the following categories: Outstanding citizen, ambassador of the year and the chairman's award.

Musio will be provided by Yankee Station and dinner will consist of combination plates including steak, chicken, a salad course, potato,

vegetable and dessert.

The Chamber's most prestigious awards will be presented to honor persons who have given to their community and/or the Chamber of Commerce.

The Ambassador of the Year Award recognizes an individual who promotes the spirit of the Charlevoix Community and/or the Chamber of Commerce and its programs.

The Chairman's award recognizes an individual who has volunteered time and/or resources to help the Chamber of Commerce.

The Outstanding Citizen Award recognizes an individual who, over a number of years, has given freely of time, talents, and resources to make the Charlevoix area a better place to live.

The Chamber of Commerce and its programs.

New designs for growth forum

Green infrastructure

The Northwest Michigan Council of Governments has been awarded a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Great Lakes National Program Office, Lake Michigan Lakewide Management Plan Program.

This grant is to implement the Lake Michigan Watershed Academy Phase III project with regards to the Lake Michigan Lakewide Management Plan subgoals.

This project is bringing together all interested stakeholders to create a Green Infrastructure program to address very important environmental assets on a regional down to a site planning level.

The Northwest Michigan Council of Governments will be hosting regional workshops for the counties, townships, city and villages, state, and federal en-

tities, organizations, businesses and citizens.

The northern region workshop session will be 3-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the Charlevoix Library, 220 Clinton St.

Presentations will include the Michigan Low Impact Development Manual, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council Low Impact Development projects in Little Traverse Bay and Lake Charlevoix watersheds, and Green Infrastructure.

The Green Infrastructure project will also continue the implementation of the New Designs for Growth vision - "Address development expansion and help the region prosper in a way that protects the natural resources, scenic beauty, rural landscape and unique character of each community within the Council of Governments' ten

county region."

The goal of the Green Infrastructure project is to identify areas of ecological importance, while taking into consideration the following factors:

- The variety of natural resources
 - How a given parcel fits in a larger system
 - Ecological importance of open space
 - Identifying barriers
 - Importance of coordinated state and local planning
 - Need for a regional level view for natural resources conservation
 - Barriers to Green Infrastructure planning and practices
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PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING File No. 09-011318-NC

In the matter of Kamden Michael Warren TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Probate Court, 301 State St., Charlevoix, MI before Judge Frederick R. Mulhauser (P28995) for the following purpose:

To hear the Petition to Change Name filed by Danielle Warren & Jeremy Scott Bartlett requesting the name of Kamden Michael Warren be changed to Kamden Michael Bartlett

Date 1-8-09 Jeremy Scott Bartlett 4274 M-66 East Jordan, MI 49727 Danielle Warren 4426 BCEJ Rd East Jordan, MI 49727 (L-1/14)

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- 8 am Concessions Open
- 9 am Antique Snowmobile Club of America, Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse
- 9 am Drag Racing Registration, Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse
- 11 am - 3 pm Snowmobile Drags, Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse
- 11 am Frozen Pancake Toss, Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse
- 11 am XC and Snowshoe Demo, Aspen Grove XC Center
- Noon - Roller Skating, Harvest Barn
- 1 pm Softball in the Snow, Field off M-66, Team Entry \$10
- 7 pm Dessert & Auction, EJ Elementary Cafeteria
- 8 pm Free Live Music: Claude Frog, Jordan Inn
- Saturday Events at Wagbo Peace Center
- 11 am Weaving Birch Bark Workshop, \$5 fee
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- 4 pm Fingerweaving a Sash Workshop, \$10 material fee

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SPORTS reviewing the action

High school boys' basketball: **BIG, BIG WIN** for Rayders

A long road ahead, for sure. Sull, Charlevoix's 62-59 victory over Traverse City St. Francis on Tuesday, Jan. 6 was about as big as they come in January in high school boys' basketball.

Weston Bryan scored nine of his 22 points in the fourth quarter as the Rayders knocked off their rivals to the south in an early season showdown. And, in the process, Charlevoix took over sole possession of first place in the Lake Michigan Conference, and gave itself a heaping helping of confidence.

"I think we were struggling a little bit early (in the season), trying to figure out who we are and learning how much effort we have to put into what it takes to be good," Charlevoix coach Keith Haske said. "The last week of Christmas break the kids kind of realized we have to do something a little different."

St. Francis entered the game 6-0 overall and ranked No. 2 in the Associated Press Class C state poll. Among the Gladiators' early season victims was Class A Rochester, 49-31; Class A Alpena, 63-31; and defending Class C state runner-up Flint Beecher, 62-39.

As it stands today, the Rayders — an honorable mention in the state poll — are 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the league. St. Francis dropped into a second-place

tie with East Jordan and Boyne City, both of whom lost their respective first league games on Tuesday as well.

"I think it really helps our kids because it shows them that if we play together and work hard, we

can have a really good season," Haske said.

Charlevoix led by as many as 10 points in the first half and maintained a slim advantage throughout much of the second half. St. Francis seized a 52-50

lead with about three minutes remaining, forcing the Rayders to dig deep.

What they found was vintage Charlevoix: An uncanny ability to emerge victorious in a pressure-packed nail-biter. Among Bryan's down-the-stretch heroics was a three-point play.

"Weston Bryan hit a couple big

shots and we just kind of hung in there," Haske said. "I thought our kids showed great poise tonight. We knew they weren't going to go away. Our kids did a great job of responding and staying in the game."

Justin Friske added 14 points, Thomas Parrish had nine and Brock Yenglin added eight for

the Rayders, who are scheduled to play at St. Francis on Wednesday, Feb. 11. Friske and Yenglin grabbed five rebounds each.

Holden Greiner and Cory Williams scored 16 points each and Ian Sheldon had 12 for the Gladiators.

St. Francis won the JV game, 43-33.

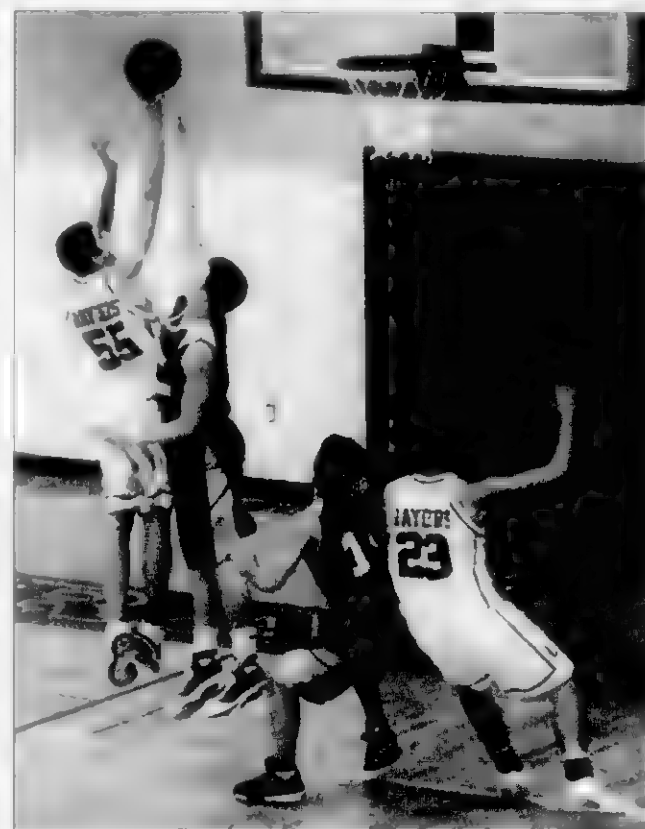


PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE
Charlevoix Rayders beat Traverse City St. Francis 62-59 on Jan. 6.

Stingrays bring home trophy

The Charlevoix Stingrays started the new year out with a second-place trophy from the Harbor Springs Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 3.

The coach said it was truly a team effort by every swimmer to take home the team's first competition trophy.

Every single swimmer scored points and received individual awards for their swimming. Placing in the top three in their events include Alex Gooch (14), Kristen Gooch (15), Chrystal Schenanski (17), Casey Riley (16), Christina Baruti (7).

Abigail Cunningham (6), Kaeli Bales (14), Katie Harmeling (7), McKenna Ebert (10), JT Van Meter (8), Ray Cunningham (9), Colin Davis (9), Anna Harmeling (9), Gracie Smith (10), Cory Agami (16) and Aaron Malewitz (18).

The Charlevoix Stingrays also have several swimmers qualify for the M.T.S.L. State Swimming Championships that will be held in Midland on March 1st. Qualifiers include: Chrystal Schenanski, Kaeli Bales, Christina Baruti, Alex Gooch, Casey Riley, Brad Klinger, Peter Anthony and Cory Agami.

The Charlevoix Stingrays Swim Team is open to any swimmer between the ages of 6 and 18 who loves swimming and is able to swim the length of the pool.

If you have questions about the Stingrays Swim Team or other programs offered at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool please contact the pool at 547-0982.

The Charlevoix Stingrays Swim Team will travel by bus to Traverse City on Jan. 24 for their next swim meet.

Lady Rayders:

Charlevoix 55, TC St. Francis 50

The Lady Rayders outscored St. Francis, 21-12, in the fourth quarter to remain in a first-place tie in the Lake Michigan Conference and handed the Gladiators their first league loss.

Erca Faust scored 11 points and Meredith Rich added 10

as Charlevoix improved to 5-2 overall, 3-0 league. The Rayders share first place with Kalkaska.

"It was back and forth the whole game," Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine said. "St. Francis played hard, but Sarah and Meredith picked us right up."

KC McCary and Sarah Potter added eight points each for

Charlevoix, and Shauna Spence delivered a clutch 3-pointer late to extend the Rayder lead.

Lynday LaCourse scored 18 points for St. Francis, 4-2, 2-1.

Dani Baron scored 14 points and Lynzie Gotshall added 13 as Charlevoix won the JV game, 43-37.



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SPORTS reviewing the action

MHSAA 2008-09 Scholar-Athlete Award

The applicants for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award for the 2008-09 school year have been announced.

• Beaver Island - Caitlin Boyle

• Charlevoix - Weston A Bryan, Marnie Christina Greene, Michael Heckendorn, Ellise Noel Smolenyak and Katherine Sue Withrow

The program, which has been recognizing student-athletes since the 1989-90 school year, will honor 32 individuals who represent their member school in at least one sport in which the Association sponsors a post-season tournament. Farm Bureau Insurance underwrites the Scholar-Athlete Award, and

presents a \$1,000 scholarship to each individual.

Scholarships are awarded proportionately by school classification and the number of student-athletes involved in those classes; and two at-large honorees will also be selected. A total of 12 scholarships will be awarded to Class A student-athletes, 6 female and 6 male; 8 scholarships will be awarded to Class B student-athletes, 4 female and 4 male; 6 scholarships will be awarded to Class C student-athletes, 3 female and 3 male; and 4 scholarships will be awarded to Class D student-athletes, 2 female and 2 male.

A school could submit as many applications as there are scholarships available in their

classification. Of 504 schools which submitted applicants, 63 submitted the maximum allowed.

This year, 2008 applications were received.

All will be presented with certificates commemorating their achievement. Additional Scholar-Athlete information, including a complete list of scholarship nominees, can be found on the MHSAA Web site at the following address: <http://www.mhsaa.com/recognition/sahome.htm>.

The applications will be judged next week by a 69-member committee of school coaches, counselors, faculty members, administrators and board members from MHSAA

member schools, from which the 120 finalists and 32 scholarship recipients will be selected. Finalists will be announced on February 3. Class C and D scholarship recipients will be announced on February 17; Class B scholarship recipients will be announced on February 24; and Class A scholarship recipients will be announced on March 3. All announcements will be made on the MHSAA Web site.

To honor the 32 Scholar-Athlete Award recipients, a ceremony will take place during half-time of the Class C Boys Basketball Finals at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing on March 28.

To be eligible for the award,

students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale), and have previously won a varsity letter in at least one sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a post-season tournament. Students were also asked to respond to a series of short essay questions, submit two letters of recommendation and submit a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Farm Bureau Insurance, one of Michigan's major insurers, has a statewide force of over 400 agents serving more than 380,000 Michigan policyholders. Besides providing life, home auto, farm, business and retirement insurance, the company also sponsors lifesaving,

real-time Doppler weather tracking systems in several Michigan communities.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,600 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

Prep boys' basketball: Not let down for Rayders

STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER
BOYNE CITY — Any potential sign of a letdown was quickly put to rest Thursday by Charlevoix.

Fresh off a big Lake Michigan Conference victory over Traverse City St. Francis just two days prior, Charlevoix went back to work and topped Boyne City, 66-41, in a scrappy, workmanlike affair at the Boyne City High School gym.

The Rayders, 5-1 overall, 3-0 league and an honorable mention selection in the Associated Press Class C state poll, used their height advantage in the middle as they scored on numerous high percentage shots and putbacks.

"We all just worked hard and we knew we all had to stay focused after our win over St. Francis," said Charlevoix senior Justin Friske, who scored a game-high 20 points. "We couldn't let our heads get to us and it's always a good battle when we play Boyne."

Battling a defensive-minded Rambler team and struggling early from the outside, the Rayders quickly went inside for a spark.

"We were struggling early on," Charlevoix coach Keith Haske said. "Any type of perimeter shot wasn't falling and every timeout we said we had to get the ball to Justin (Friske) because we knew he was going to be on."

Friske scored the final two baskets of the first quarter inside to put the Rayders in front 15-5, then added two more buckets from within five feet as Charlevoix's advantage increased to 19-7 early in the second.

"Having an inside presence was key because our shots weren't falling early," Friske said. "Our coaches just told us to keep grinding it out down low because we knew they (Boyne City) didn't have a lot of height."

Thomas Parrish connected on a 3-pointer to give the Rayders a 22-12 advantage midway through the second. The triple opened a 9-0 run, which included two more Friske baskets, as the Rayders took a 29-16 half-time lead.

"I was really pleased," Haske said. "The thing we've been harping on with these kids is every time you step on the court is you have to play to a certain level of competition and I was really pleased with that here."

"We competed hard right from the opening tip and didn't have any letdown defensively."

Applying their signature full-court defensive pressure, the Rayders went on a 12-0 run midway through the third quarter to increase their advantage to 48-24. At the end of the third, the Rayders were firmly in command, 52-29.

"We're getting to the point now hopefully where every

time we step onto the court, we're doing so with a certain mindset and we weren't doing that early in the year," Haske said. "That's been our biggest thing, but I was happy with this game. We just wore them down after a while."

Weston Bryan finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and five steals for the Rayders, while Parrish added 10 points. Friske also collected nine rebounds, while Brock Yinglin had five rebounds.

The Rayders, who had every player on the roster score at least a point, kept the foot on the gas in the fourth quarter and connected on 7-of-12 free throws.

Charlevoix shot 15-of-25 from the line, while Boyne City was just 8-of-25 from the stripe.

"That's (free throw shooting) clearly a problem and it's been addressed in practice," Boyne coach John Hertel said. "We came into this game shooting 52 percent on the season. It's something we didn't correct here and it's a big point of emphasis right now."

For the Ramblers, 2-3, 1-2, Ryan Musser had 12 points and eight rebounds, while Tyler Urman added nine points and Trevor Kruzel, seven points and six rebounds.

"We got off to somewhat of a slow start," Hertel said. "Especially on the offensive end and give Charlevoix credit because they play good

defense. They know what they're doing and they do it well."

"We have to keep looking to continue to adjust and I thought we did a good job of that in the second half. We felt there were certain things we could do, but Charlevoix did a good job of taking those things away."

Charlevoix won the JV game, 70-52. For the Rayders, Joe Filipiak had 18 points, while Matthew Klooster added 17. Travis Lapeer and Jay Redman had 12 points apiece for Boyne City.

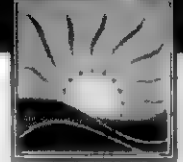
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What could possibly be blooming in January?

Petals, Charlevoix's newest flower shop, of course

BENJAMIN GOHS
PHOTO

After working for some of the most prestigious hotels in Las Vegas, Kari Davis chose to bring her design expertise to a more family-friendly atmosphere.

With 16 years of experience arranging flowers for everything from funerals and weddings to making bouquets for amorous couples, Davis now has her own flower shop.

"I was born and raised in Vegas," she said. "We had three young children and wanted to raise them in a different place and we were actually here on vacation in 2000 and my husband saw an ad ... and he got the job and we moved here five weeks later."

Davis worked at a couple local flower shops until earlier this winter when she opened

Petals in Birdie Whitley's old beauty shop next to the Clothing Company and across the street from the Masonic Lodge and Subway restaurant.

"I absolutely love it and I enjoy working with brides," she said. "Weddings are my specialty—that's what I do best."

Davis said her work is very rewarding.

"I just love having my own business," she said. "We do silk arrangements, custom floral arrangements and I have trucks coming in every day so if there is something they're looking for, we are happy to get it for them."

she said.

Petals also delivers as far away as Petoskey, East Jordan and Ellsworth in addition to shipping across the country for Internet orders.

Petals is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays.

Davis employs two, Janice Hilligan, the store manager, and Davis' father, who Davis said is a jack of all trades and an ace with a mop and broom.

"We have a fun crew," she said. "The people who work here make it very fun and different."

In addition to flora of all kinds, Davis will also soon be offering flower design classes.

Be sure to check out her Web site www.charlevoixflorist.com for information on classes, specials and more.



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Floral expert Kari Davis took her years of experience working in flower shops and opened her own business Petals custom floral designs at 101 Mason St. Davis has flora of all types for anything from a bouquet to a wedding and more.

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Bay Winds Federal Credit Union declares bonus dividend

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union paid a bonus dividend in excess of \$212,000 to its membership on Dec. 31, 2008.

This is the second time in three years that the Bay Winds Board of Directors has declared a bonus dividend to its member owners.

"Members are more than just customers, they are our lifeblood," said David Leusink, President and CEO. "This is our way of saying thanks for our members support and participation."

The bonus dividend was based on earnings from qualifying share accounts and/or

interest paid on applicable loans in 2008. The active participation of borrowers and savers created a 2008 above and beyond expectations.

"Partnership and participation is the backbone of our strength," Leusink said. "As you might expect, response to the bonus dividend has been

very positive, given the state of our economy. There is financial strength in numbers; this dividend underscores that principal."

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union was founded in 1969, and today serves the residents of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties.

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union has more than 20,000 members and \$95 million in assets.

As a not-for-profit financial cooperative, Bay Winds Federal Credit Union is committed to investing in community and the prudent management of risk. This philosophy has

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Protecting history one location at a time HISTORY Continued from page 1

So far, Charlevoix has one official historic property: The train depot at Depot Beach, which was designated as such in February, 2007.

However, Adams said, there are many others in the area which she would like to see protected.

Properties must qualify under state guidelines as historic.

For example, they must be at least 50 years old, though age alone does not always determine a structure's historical significance.

According to Spencer, a building, structure, object, site or district must have association with significant people or events, have unique design or construction and be significant at the local or state level.

He also said the structure or site cannot have been drastically changed from its original character.

Following their success in getting the train depot's status, the committee attempted to have the downtown business district made a historical district, but it was determined

that too many of the structures have undergone significant changes to qualify under state guidelines.

Spencer was careful to point out that he is merely acting as an informational resource to the committees and explained that he is not working to pass any historic districts in the city.

"It is very important that those buildings we have left do not continue to be demolished," Adams said. "We must preserve the buildings for future generations and maintain the quality of life and quaintness of the City of Charlevoix."

Though it may sound innocuous to some, Adams said she knows some property owners will not be in favor of having their building labeled as historic.

"We're not trying to shove anything down anyone's throat," she said. "We've had a lot of interest both ways. But, I'd say we've had more local support that opposition."

Adams added, "We're not trying to take away property rights; we're trying to work with owners to help them protect and preserve assets."

Both the opinions of property owners and the public in general will be taken into consideration before any properties are labeled as historic. And, Spencer said, a property can be designated as historic even if the property owner does not wish it to be.

"We want to hear from both sides," Adams added. The committees will continue to meet on a monthly basis and a public hearing, which has yet to be scheduled, will occur this summer to determine the rate of interest, if any, on designating an undetermined number of Earl Young homes as historical properties.

Spencer can be reached by calling 547-3265. The study committee meets at 5:30 p.m., the first Wednesday of each month in city council chambers.

The historic district commission meets at 5 p.m., the first Wednesday, every other month beginning with March 4, in city council chambers.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

This house at the corner of Clinton and Park in Charlevoix is one of many designed by famed architect Earl Young. Now that that train depot at Depot Beach has been named a historic property through local efforts, some of the areas Earl Young homes could be next. The Charlevoix Historic District Commission and the Charlevoix Historic District Study Committee are working currently to determine whether the structures will qualify and if there is sufficient public desire to designate them as historic.

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Business' getting lost without signs ORDINANCE Continued from page 1

farce. "Council wants very much to come up with ideas to deal with this issue," said Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "Council's always been very pro business ... doing anything we can do to promote business, but this one kind of ties our hands with an administrative nightmare."

Carlson said that, since the highway advertising act prohibits off-premises signs which can be read from a highway, council is reluctant to allow the Park Avenue businesses to post their sign.

"The highway advertising act prohibits off-premises signs that are readable ... by motorists driving down the highway," Duerr said. "The signs we're proposing are small pedestrian signs that would not be read by motorists, that could not be read by motorists."

Duerr added that, while city council will not allow the smaller pedestrian signs, they have approved much larger banners—for events such as blood banks.

"(They) claim that those will not violate the highway advertising act despite the fact that they are intended to be read by motorists."

ists because the placement of these banners will be within the highway right of way and not adjacent."

However, said Duerr, a retired lawyer, this is not legal.

"They have no authority to authorize encroachment on the right of way by the placement of non traffic control signs within the right of way," he said. "They seem to ignore that. They are unusually sensitive to our small pedestrian-friendly signs and the risk that the transportation department might seek to regulate them but blithely ignore the fact that they are authorizing encroachment within the highway."

Duerr's claims seem to be upheld by state officials. According to Michigan Department of Transportation highway advertising specialist Melissa J. Staffeld, placing an advertising sign in the highway right of way "is considered encroachment and is illegal ... There are MDOT approved signs that you will see within the right of way, but those are placed by MDOT

or placed by an entity contracted through MDOT."

However, Spencer said the law deals with permanent signs and not necessarily temporary banners.

"The city has been allowing those banners," he said. "And, to my knowledge, the city has not been called on those banners they've been putting up for many, many years."

Spencer said the other distinction is that the city's banners are generally for nonprofit events such as blood banks, and not advertising for private businesses.

Duerr said he challenges the city to get a legal opinion that says the city retains the right to encroach on the highway right of way.

"No careful attorney would not get such an opinion," Duerr added. Carlson said side street business owners will get some relief in the way of kiosks which will be placed in the downtown area at an as-of-yet undetermined time.

See related video at charlevoix.courier.com

Official Notice

**CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, January 5, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI**

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

Council received a plaque from the Michigan Submarine Veterans, thanking the citizens of the City for the renovation and relocation of the USS Escobar memorial.

A public hearing was held on a proposed ordinance to amend Title V, Chapter 51, Article VII: Sign Regulations in its entirety.

Motion passed approving the engineering fees for the trout stream project. Motion passed authorizing the execution of a Letter of Understanding with Charter Communications. Ordinance 738 of 2009 enacted, amending Title V, Chapter 51, Article VII: Sign Regulations in its entirety.

Council adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX Ordinance No. 736 of 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE V, CHAPTER 51: ZONING, ARTICLE VII: SIGN REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Repeal Article I, Section 5.11: Sign-Related Definitions.

Chapter 51, Article I, Section 5.11: Sign-Related Definitions is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Amendment of Article VII: Sign Regulations

Chapter 51, Article VII: Sign Regulations is hereby revised in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE VII. SIGN REGULATIONS

5.216 PURPOSE

The purpose of this article is to regulate signs, designed to be visible to the public, in a manner which does not restrict the content thereof while:

- (1) Recognizing the mass communications needs of both businesses and other parties.
- (2) Protecting property values and neighborhood character.
- (3) Creating a more attractive business climate.
- (4) Promoting pedestrian and traffic safety by reducing sign distractions, obstructions, and other hazards.
- (5) Promoting pleasing community environmental aesthetics.
- (6) Discouraging visual competition among businesses.

5.217 SIGN RELATED DEFINITIONS

- "Awning": A permanent shelter constructed on a supporting framework, projecting from and supported by the exterior wall of a building.
- "Airborne Devices": A sign supported by aerodynamic forces or propelled through the air by force, including but not limited to air filled balloons, signs animated by forced air, and lighter than air signs.
- "Awning Sign": A sign painted, printed, attached flat against, or integrated within the surface of an awning.
- "Banner": A sign made of a non-rigid material; however, not including pennants or flags.
- "Billboard-Highway Advertising Sign": An off-premises sign owned by a person, corporation or other legal entity that engages in the business of utilizing and/or selling the space on that sign for advertising. See "Off-Premises Sign."
- "Building Elevation": All of that part of a building facade(s) which would be included in an elevation view rendering of the building drawn parallel to and for the entire length of a lot line.
- "Business Center Sign": An on-premises sign which identifies or gives direction to a business complex or group of contiguous stores which may contain the names of the individual stores, businesses, institutions, or other organizations located within the complex or group. See "On-Premises Sign."
- "Canopy (Building)": A permanent rigid structure covered with fabric, metal, shingles, or other material and supported by a building at one or more points.
- "Canopy (Freestanding)": A permanent, rigid structure covered with fabric, metal, or other material and supported by columns, posts, or other forms of support not a part of a building.
- "Canopy Sign": A sign affixed or applied to or a part of a canopy.
- "Construction Sign": An on-premises sign erected during a construction project which identifies the project, the owner or developer of the site, the architect, engineer, contractor and subcontractors working on the project, and any funding sources for the project, but which does not act to advertise a product or service.
- "Development Identification Sign": An on-premises sign that contains the name of the development or neighborhood or residents residing on the premises where located.
- "Directional Sign": An on-premises sign, which directs visitors or customers to a particular land use on the premises where located. See "On-Premises Sign."
- "Electronic Sign Face": That portion of a sign face capable of changing its message or image electronically.
- "Flag": A sign made of non-rigid material having a distinctive size, color, and design used as a symbol or emblem.
- "Flashing Sign": Any illuminated sign on which the artificial light is not at all times stationary or constant in intensity and color.
- "Ground Sign": A sign supported by one (1) or more uprights, poles, braces, or some other structure, placed in the ground surface and not attached to any building.

- "Home Occupation Sign": A non-illuminated, on-premises sign announcing a home occupation or professional service. See "On-Premises Sign."
- "Identification Sign": An on-premises sign that identifies the type of business and contains the name and/or street address.
- "Illuminated Sign": A sign that includes artificial light by either emission, reflection, or refraction.
- "Informational Sign": A non-advertising sign used to identify architectural features of a land use such as building entrances, drop boxes, restrooms, handicapped ramps, and similar features.
- "Ingress-Egress Sign": A directional sign located adjacent to the entrance or exit drives of a development to identify the points of vehicular ingress and egress.
- "Internally Lighted Sign": A sign having an internal lighting source which allows light to be visible through the sign face.
- "Marquee": A permanent structure of rigid materials supported by and extending from, or above the facade of a building.
- "Marquee Sign": Any sign attached to or supported by a marquee.
- "Non-Commercial Speech Sign": Legal speech, in written form, by an individual or group of individuals expressing thoughts, ideas, opinions, etc. to the public.
- "Off-Premises Sign": A sign which contains a message related to a business or profession or to a commodity, service, or activity sold or offered for sale on property other than the premises where such sign is located.
- "On-Premises Sign": A sign which contains a message related to a business or profession or to a commodity, service, or activity sold or offered for sale on the property where such sign is located.
- "Pennant": A small, often triangular, flag used in multiples as a device to call attention to a land use or activity.
- "Political Sign": A sign relating to the election of a person to public office, to a political party, or to a proposition to be voted on at a scheduled election.
- "Portable Sign": A freestanding sign, usually having a changeable message, not permanently anchored or secured to either a building or the ground.
- "Projecting Sign": A sign which is affixed to any building or structure other than a marquee or canopy and projects in such a way that the sign face is not parallel to the wall to which it is attached.
- "Real Estate Development Sign": A sign placed on the premises of a subdivision or other real estate development to indicate the proposed start of the development project or to inform the public that property within the development is available.
- "Real Estate Sign": A sign containing the message that the real estate on which the sign is located (including buildings) is for sale, lease, or rent, together with information identifying the owner or agent.
- "Roof Sign": Any sign or any part of a sign, which is erected on or as a part of the roof of a building.
- "Sign": A structure, including its base, foundation and erection supports upon which is displayed any words, letters, figures, emblems, symbols, designs, or trademarks by which any message or image is afforded public visibility from outdoors on behalf of or for the benefit of any product, place, activity, individual, firm, corporation, institution, profession, association, business, or organization.
- "Sign Face": That portion of a sign excluding its base, foundation, and erection supports on which identifications, descriptions, illustrations, displays or devices are placed pertaining to an idea, opinion, product, use, occupancy, function, service, or activity.
- "Streamers": A long narrow wavy strip resembling or suggesting a banner floating in the wind.
- "Temporary Sign": A sign, banner or advertising display, with or without a structural frame, intended for a limited period of display, including displays for holidays or public events.
- "TOD Sign" - "TODS": Michigan Tourist Oriented Directional Sign Program sign.
- "Wall Sign": A sign which is attached directly to or painted upon a building wall, the exposed face of which is essentially in a plane parallel to the building wall or structure.
- "Window Sign": A sign, picture, symbol, or combination thereof, designed to communicate information about any idea, activity, business, commodity, event, sale, or service that is placed on a window pane or glass with the intent to be visible from the outdoors.

5.218 PROHIBITED SIGNS

ALL ZONE DISTRICTS: The following signs shall not be allowed in any district:

- (1) Signs that are not consistent with the standards of this chapter.
- (2) Signs that are not clean, i.e. are covered with materials that obscure the message, in whole or in part. Signs that are not in good repair, i.e. having broken foundation, base, or support structures, lighting fixtures, etc., and/or having a faded appearance.

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- (3) Signs that are not securely affixed to a substantial structure that will hold the sign in a fixed position under normal weather conditions.
- (4) Signs that are attached to any natural growth, such as trees, shrubs, or other natural foliage.
- (5) Signs, which by reason of their location, shape, size, or color appear to regulate, warn, or direct the movement of traffic on public thoroughfares or interfere with or resemble an official traffic sign, signal, or device.
- (6) Signs other than utility company signs affixed to power utility poles or other utility structures or fixtures.
- (7) Signs located so as to interfere with the view necessary for motorists to proceed safely through intersections or to enter onto or exit from public streets or private roads. (See Section 5.185, Intersection Visibility)
- (8) Signs in public rights-of-way other than those allowed by the City Highway Banner Program.
- (9) External neon signs other than in the C-1, CBD, or M-H Districts where the wording specifically states "Open," "Closed," "Vacancy," or "No Vacancy." These specific signs shall be no larger than two (2) square feet.
- (10) All types of flags, banners (except those authorized under Section 5.220(8)), pennants, streamers, and airborne devices attached to the ground or buildings ("Over Highway Banners" are allowed only by the City Highway Banner Program by permit from the City Manager and MDOT.
- (11) Billboard-Highway Advertising Signs
- (12) Internally Lighted Signs
- (13) Off Premise signs
- (14) Roof signs
- (15) All types of signage on sidewalks, roads or ground
- (16) Sign containing an electronic sign face

5.219 SIGNS EXCLUDED FROM PERMITS

The following signs are permitted in any district without a Sign Permit, but shall conform to the applicable requirements of this chapter and the applicable building codes.

- (1) One (1) identification sign not exceeding two and a half (2.5) square feet in sign face area used to identify a residential or non-commercial use.
- (2) Signs not exceeding two-and-one-half (2.5) square feet in sign face area on mailboxes or newspaper tubes, or posted on private property relating to private parking or warning the public against trespassing or danger from animals.
- (3) Signs erected by, on behalf of, or pursuant to the authorization of a governmental body, including legal notices, identification and informational signs, street signs, historical markers, traffic, directional, and regulatory signs, public displays for holidays and public events.
- (4) Official signs of a noncommercial nature erected by public utilities.
- (5) Flags or insignia of any governmental or nonprofit organization when not displayed in connection with a commercial promotion or as an advertising device.
- (6) Integral decorative or architectural features of buildings or works of art, so long as such features or works do not contain letters, trademarks, moving parts, or lights.
- (7) Signs directing and guiding traffic on private property that do not exceed four (4) square feet each and that bear no advertising matter.
- (8) Informational signs not exceeding one-and-one-half (1.5) square foot in sign face area.
- (9) Any sign wholly located within a building and not visible from outside the building.
- (10) Window signs less than or equal to six (6) square feet. Window signs, whether inside or outside of a building, exceeding 6 square feet are considered wall signs and are subject to this chapter.
- (11) Non-commercial speech signs placed on private property, outside of any street right-of-way, not exceeding four square feet in sign face.
- (12) External neon signs no larger than two (2) square feet in sign face area in the C-1, CBD, or M-H Districts, which specifically state "Open," "Closed," "Vacancy," or "No Vacancy."
- (13) Public signs or signs sanctioned by a public body on public land are not subject to this chapter.

5.220 CERTAIN TEMPORARY SIGNS - PERMIT EXEMPTIONS AND ADDITIONAL EXEMPTIONS

The following signs, related to temporary land uses, are permitted in any district without a Sign Permit. However, such signs shall conform to the requirements set forth herein as well as all other applicable requirements of this chapter.

- (1) Construction Signs. One (1) construction sign not to exceed twenty (20) square feet is permitted. In the place of one large sign, a maximum of four (4) individual smaller signs may be erected, one along each street frontage upon which the property faces on the site, upon the condition that each smaller sign shall not exceed four (4) square feet in sign face area per sign.

- (2) Political Signs. Political signs are allowed in connection with elections or political campaigns. Such signs shall be removed within three (3) days following the election or conclusion of the campaign. No such sign may exceed eight (8) square feet in sign face area or be placed in any public street right-of-way.
- (3) Real Estate Development Signs. One (1) real estate development sign is permitted for each street frontage upon which the property faces. Such sign(s) may be present only for the duration of the development's construction. Such duration is limited to developer having majority ownership in saleable lots.
- (4) Real Estate Signs. One (1) real estate listing sign is permitted for each street frontage upon which the property faces. Such sign(s) shall be removed within ten (10) days after sale, lease, or rental.
- (5) Special temporary events. One (1) sign not exceeding twenty-four (24) square feet in sign face area indicating a special temporary event such as a carnival, circus, festival, or similar event, is permitted on the lot where the activity is to take place. Such signs may be erected not sooner than one (1) month before the event and must be removed not later than three (3) days after the event.
- (6) Yard sales and similar events. Signs for yard sales or other similar temporary activities not covered in the foregoing categories are permitted. Not more than one (1) sign may be located on any lot. No sign may exceed four (4) square feet in sign face area. Signs may be erected not more than three (3) days prior to the event and shall be removed immediately following the event.
- (7) Other temporary signs. Temporary signs not listed in Section 5.219 shall be regarded and treated in all respects as permanent signs.
- (8) Temporary banners are only allowed in two (2) specific locations within the City, adjacent to the city golf course and near the intersection of M-66 and US-31. Banners advertising community events may be placed in those locations by non-profit or for-profit businesses or entities when the zoning administrator determines that those events will provide a substantial benefit to the City of Charlevoix and the event will not create any unfair competition among local businesses. Banners shall not exceed 30 square feet in area, may be erected not more than two (2) weeks before the event, and must be removed within two (2) days after the event.

5.221 SIGN STANDARDS FOR ALL SIGNS

- (1) Number and square footage requirements
 - (a) Each business shall be allowed a maximum of two (2) types of signs per any single building elevation that has public frontage as specified in Section 5.224, Table of Use Districts. (For example a business may have a wall sign and a ground sign for each frontage, but cannot have two of the same type of signs on one elevation.)
 - (b) For the purpose of determining the number of signs, where graphic material is displayed in a random manner without organized relationship of elements, each element shall be considered a single sign. A number of small signs randomly placed on a wall cannot be construed to be a single sign.
 - (c) A two-sided or multi-sided sign shall be regarded as one (1) sign so long as the interior angle of a "V" type sign does not exceed thirty (30) degrees and the two (2) sides are at no point separated by a distance that exceeds five (5) feet; and the distance between the backs of each face of a double-faced (back-to-back) sign does not exceed three (3) feet.
 - (d) Canopy signs and Marquee signs are allowed the same square footage as a wall sign.
 - (e) All signs in the US 31 highway right of way are regulated by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) at locations approved by and installed in accord with the State of Michigan TODS program.
 - (f) Window signs are allowed provided they do not exceed 25% of the total area of each window pane and do not exceed 6 square feet.
 - (g) A development identification sign shall contain no other advertisement display.
 - (h) An identification sign shall contain no other advertisement display, except that the identification sign for a business may identify the type of business being conducted on the premises.
- (2) Computation of sign area.
 - (a) The sign face area of a sign shall be computed by including the entire area within a single, continuous perimeter of a circle, triangle, rectangle, or parallelogram enclosing the extreme limits of the writing, representation, emblem, or other display, together with any material or color forming an integral part of the background of the display or used to differentiate the sign from the backdrop or structure against which it is placed, but not including any supporting framework or bracing that is clearly incidental to the display itself.
 - (b) If the sign consists of more than one (1) section or module, all of the area, including that between sections or modules, shall be included in the computation of the sign face area.
 - (c) Subject to the provisions of Section 5.221(1)(c), the sign face area of two-sided, multi-sided, or three-dimensional signs shall be computed by including the total of all sides designed to attract attention or communicate information that can be seen at any one time by a person from one vantage point.

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5.227 UNSAFE SIGNS

- (1) Subject to the remaining restrictions of this Section, nonconforming signs that were otherwise lawful on the effective date of this chapter may be continued, repaired, and maintained as is necessary to keep in a sound condition.
- (2) No person may engage in any activity that causes an increase in the extent of nonconformity of a nonconforming sign. In addition, no person may add illumination.
- (3) A nonconforming sign may not be moved or replaced except to bring the sign into greater conformity with this chapter.
- (4) If a nonconforming sign is destroyed to the extent it is impractical to be restored using a majority of its existing major components, it may not thereafter be repaired, reconstructed, or replaced except in conformity with all the provisions of this chapter, and the remnants of the former sign structure shall be cleared from the land.
- (5) The message of a nonconforming sign may be changed so long as this does not create any new non-conformity.

The service required by this subsection shall be personal service or service by certified delivery, return receipt requested. For purposes of this section, the phrase "remedy" shall mean repairing the sign or advertising device so that it does not pose a safety hazard, total or partial collapse or removing the sign or advertising device from the property.

- (4) If the owner of the sign or advertising device or the owner of the property on which the sign or advertising device is located requests a hearing before the City Council as provided in this section, the City shall take no action to remedy the unsafe condition until, after notice and hearing, the City Council finds that the sign or advertising device is structurally unsafe. A notice of the time, date, and place of the hearing before the City Council shall be served on the owner of the sign or advertising device and on the owner of the property on which the sign or advertising device is located no less than fourteen (14) days before the scheduled hearing. The service of this notice may be made by first class mail. The owner of the sign or advertising device or the owner of the property on which the sign or advertising device is located may appeal an adverse decision by City Council to the circuit court as provided by law.

5.228 ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS SIGNS

- (5) in exercising its right under this section to remedy the unsafe condition, either with or without a hearing before the City Council, the City shall remove the sign or advertising device from the property if the repairs necessary to remedy the unsafe condition exceeds fifty (50) percent of the value of the sign or advertising device.
- (6) The costs of remedying the unsafe condition by the City, including reasonable attorney fees, may be collected in a lawsuit against the owner of the sign or advertising device or the owner of the property on which the sign or advertising device is located.

ENACTED this 5th day of January, 2009.

Ordinance No. 736-2009 was adopted as amended on the 5th day of January, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Gabe Campbell
Seconded by: Councilmember Dennis Kusina

Yeas: Kusina, Picha, Stevens, Campbell, Gennett
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Cole

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX)

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk
Norman Carlson, Jr. Mayor

(1) To protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Charlevoix, the City Manager is hereby authorized and empowered to order city officials to enter onto private property to remove, repair, or otherwise make safe any dangerous sign or advertising device without notice to the owner of the sign or advertising device or the owner of the property on which the sign or advertising device is located. For purposes of this section, the phrase "dangerous sign or advertising device" means a sign or advertising device that is in such a state of disrepair or has such a design and/or construction flaw that it poses an imminent threat of total or partial collapse such that following the procedures of Section 5.227 would result in a substantial likelihood of injury to persons or property.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

-Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

-52nd season at Mt. McSaubu. Mt. McSaubu kicked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cams to catch the snowboarders' action and more. The official start of the season was Dec. 20. Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community-wide cause, call recreation director Ike Boss at 547-3253.

Visit www.mtmcsubu.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nsa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

-Four Fires Native Talking Circle meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

-Saturday Night Alive; fibromyalgia

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at Family of Faith located on 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix. Call 547-4221 for more information; Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

TAI CHI CLASSES

The beginners class meets 10 a.m. on Tuesdays at the Charlevoix Public Library, community room B. Intermediate class meets at 11 a.m. This course is open to all. Cost is \$12 for seniors and \$40 for those under 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 for more information.

Boysen City Tai Chi classes 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Wednesdays at Boysen district library. Cost is \$12 for seniors and \$40 for those 60 and younger.

A new six week Tai Chi Class session will begin in Boysen City on November 5, 2008.

CIRCLE OF STRENGTH

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

BLOOD DRIVES

Noon to 3:45 p.m., Jan. 15, Community Reformed Church 100 Oak St.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

• Saturdays at the Movies: Alice in Wonderland, 2 p.m., Jan. 10 - Stop by the library for a free showing of this fun holiday movie. Popcorn for all.

Tai Chi classes already in progress

Classes began Jan. 6 at the Charlevoix Public Library. Tai Chi classes will be held for six weeks.

The beginners class will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at the Charlevoix Public Library's Community Room B; The intermediate class meets at 11 a.m. Classes each last one hour and are open to all. Cost for seniors is \$12; \$40 for those 60 and younger. Call 237-0103

or (231) 582-7689 for more information. E-mail should be directed to megpots@global.net.

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Read-a-thon at library

• Youth Read-a-thon, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Jan. 16, at the Charlevoix Public Library.

No School.

What to do?

Spend a warm afternoon reading.

Who can read the longest? Bring a blanket and your favorite books, or check out one of ours.

• Out of the Book Bag: Ideas for What To Read Next is at 2 p.m., Jan. 17.

Come to this Book Talk featuring a dozen new library books.

Judith Ivan the library assistant, will give highlights from each of the books and an overview of the authors.

Attendees are welcome to bring a favorite book of their own to share with the group.

• High Hopes in Sweaty Sox, at 7 p.m., Jan. 20, Charlevoix Public Library.

As part of our Travel and Adventure Series, Joan Young will take you on the adventure of hiking the National Scenic Trail with photos and anecdotes.

• State of Higher Education in Northern Michigan, at 7 p.m., Jan. 20, join the Friends of the Library for their annual meeting and listen to the witty Charlie McInnis, director of public relations at North Central Michigan College to discuss education concerns in northern Michigan.

JAN. 17

Singles for Christ

Singles 40 and older meet at 6 p.m. for dinner at China Buffet King in Petoskey. Following dinner there may be a movie or board games and fellowship at Zion church. Bring boardgames and snacks if interested. Register by calling 347-3438 (days) or 347-5747 (evenings) or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

JAN. 20

Inauguration

Watch the inauguration of Barack Obama at 11:30 a.m., Jan. 20 on the big screen in City Hall chambers. There is no cost to attend and you may bring your lunch.

JAN. 21

Pre-diabetes education

The class costs \$25, but scholarships may be available. Pre-registration is required. If you have been told by your physician that you have pre-diabetes

or have any of the listed risk factors, take the first step and attend a pre-diabetes class. For more information, or to sign up for one of the classes contact the Charlevoix Area Hospital Diabetes Education Department at (231) 547-8571.

JAN. 22

Witness for life

From 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. join the "Witness for Life" at the corner of Bridge and Clinton Streets to recognize the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade (abortion decision). Call Marge Martin at 547-2401 for more information.

JAN. 24

Rug hooking class

From 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St., learn beginners rug hooking. Call 547-2333 to register.

JAN. 27

Learn the basics of research and development

Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, ConnetTech and the Petoskey Public Library are hosting a half-day workshop from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Jan. 27 at the Petoskey Library - Carnegie Building on federal grant opportunities available for technology based entrepreneurs and small businesses with innovative products and ideas seeking funding for Research and Development. Through the Small Business Innovative Research and Small Technology Transfer Research Programs, 11 federal agencies award a combined \$2.5 billion to U.S. technology companies every year.

Facilitated by BioTechnology Business Consultants (BBC) of Ann Arbor, nationally recognized for its expertise in the SBIR/STTR Grant Program, the workshop will discuss program basics, including eligibility, a discussion on the various federal agencies involved, (Department of Defense, National Institutes of Health, Department of Energy, and National Science Foundation), and tools to help with planning a grant application.

"Encouraging and supporting Michigan's most innovative companies and entrepreneurs is key to achieving diversity across our region and our state. The economic platform is changing quickly and it is critical that we are poised and prepared to compete in the new economy." Lori Meeder, Director, Entrepreneurial Division, NLEA.

With funding from the former Michigan Technology Tri-Corridor Fund and current

21st Century Jobs Fund, BBC has assisted many Michigan companies in becoming more competitive. Intensive training workshops like this one are offered throughout the State, followed up with one-on-one proposal preparation assistance and commercialization consulting provided to qualified companies.

"While the State of Michigan works to increase the availability of venture capital to fund new technology companies, it also recognizes the importance of other significant sources of capital, specifically the federal Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs," said Lisa Kurck, managing partner, Bio-Technology Business Consultants.

Cost to attend is \$50 and pre-registration is required. Register by calling Kris at 734-930-9741 or online at www.biocconsultants.com/registration_form.html

JAN. 28

Business class

Join the "How To Start a Business Class" from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Jan. 28 at the Boysen District Library.

For \$20, you will get the tools to learn how to start your own business. Call 582-6482 or e-mail sara@northernlakes.net to register.

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

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Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Knart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boysen City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

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YOUR CHAMBER MONTHLY

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Our mission is to attract, develop, support and retain commerce for a better Charlevoix.

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Chamber's 50th Annual Awards Meeting

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you to enjoy an evening of fine dining and community spirit at the Chamber's 50th Annual Meeting & Dinner at Castle Farms on Friday, January 23, 2009. The night will begin at 5:30pm with a social hour, followed by dinner served at 6:30pm.

The Chamber's most prestigious awards will be presented to honor those who have given to their community and/or the Chamber of Commerce. These include the Outstanding Citizen Award, the Ambassador Award, and the Chairman's Award, formerly titled the President's Award.

Members and their guests will enjoy an eventful evening and the musical talents of Yankee Station. For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Chamber office at 547-2101.

Business After Hours at Sadie & Jake's

Meet and greet fellow businessmen at Business After Hours on February 12th, from 5 to 7 pm, hosted by Sadie & Jake's Gallery Café. Held once a month, Business After Hours provides an excellent opportunity for businesses to get acquainted

face-to-face. Positive impressions created here can lead to new contacts and clientele for years to come. Light refreshments will be provided accompanied by a friendly atmosphere.

Get Involved!

A good way for your voice to be heard is to be active in the Chamber. The Chamber would like to extend an invitation to you to join a committee that suits your interests.

Committees include:

- Business Assistance Team
- Events and Functions
- Industrial Development Committee
- Government Relations (New!)
- Ambassadors
- Retail Committee
- Scholarship Committee (New!)

For a thorough description of the committees visit our website at www.charlevoix.org. Committees play a vital role in the Chamber of Commerce. By selecting a committee, you can match your passions and interests in service to our community. If you have an interest in joining any of the committees listed above, please feel free to contact us.

2008 Holiday Decorating Contest Winners



We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Annual Christmas Decorating Contest which was judged on Friday, December 5th. The results are in and the Chamber is proud to present to you the following winners:

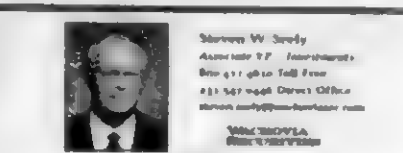
Grand Prize: Whitney's Oyster Bar
1st Prize: A Touch of Spring
2nd Prize: St. Mary Catholic School

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 15	Retail Committee Meeting; 8:45am, Chamber of Commerce
Jan 19	Alliance Office Hours; 10 to 11am, Chamber of Commerce
Jan 23	51st Annual Chamber Meeting & Awards Banquet; 5:30pm
Jan 24	Community Snowmobile Ride-in; 11 to 3pm
Jan 26	Charlevoix Public Library Computer Class; 10:30am to 12pm
Feb 6	First Friday Biz Breakfast; 7:30 to 8:30am, Grey Gables Restaurant
Feb 6	Project Connect; All Day, Char-Em United Way

Please visit www.charlevoix.org for a complete list of area activities and events!

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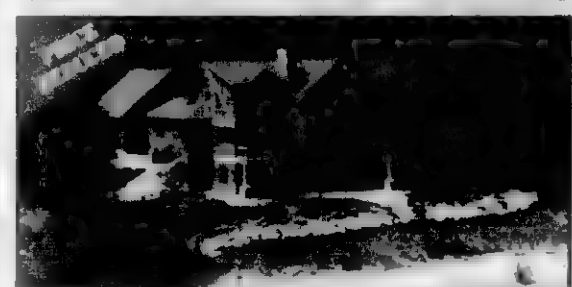
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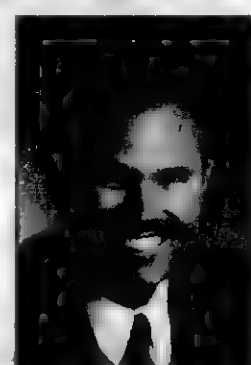
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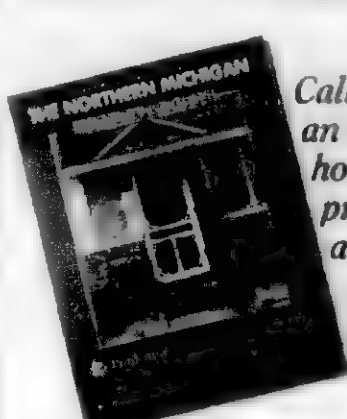
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Cold weather doesn't stop them



Charlevoix jogger Carl Gray refused to let near zero temperatures stop him from his daily routine. Although Gray did say he shortened his Jan. 16 run to five miles due to the icy winds. Gray is training for several local marathons this summer.



PHOTOS BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Mt. McSaubie worker Scott Stebe zooms around the city's ice rink near Mt. McSaubie on Friday, Jan. 16 clearing snow via four-wheeler. Stebe was one of many out and about that day enduring the frigid temperatures under which Charlevoix and much of the northern states have tolled these past few weeks.

Untold story coming to the silver screen

Polar bears of Michigan fought in World War I



PHOTOS BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Actors Lee-Perry Belleau (left) and Alex Alexandra (right), flank director Pamela Peak during a press conference for the documentary, "Voices of a Never Ending Dawn," in Charlevoix.

BENJAMIN GOHS

The war ended, but they kept fighting... and dying.

Thousands of men from all over Michigan fought in a little known conflict near the end of World War I in the darkest depths of Russian wasteland, and one former Detroit is working to tell their story.

"My grandfather I always knew was in World War I and that he went to some place really different than other soldiers," said documentarian, writer, director and actress Pamela Peak, now of

California. "While most of them were going to France and over to Europe, he and 5,500 Michigan soldiers were shipped to northern Russia and they didn't find out they were going to go until after they got to England and they saw long underwear on the ship and said 'What's this all about?'"

The men, known as Polar Bears, were sent to Archangel, Russia, to quell the Bolshevik, or communist, revolution which began when the communists broke off from being an ally to the force

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Charlevoix schools could face \$1.7 M shortfall

Public input sought on budget woes

BENJAMIN GOHS

EDITOR
Going into their 2009/2010 budget discussions, the Charlevoix Public Schools fund balance was \$1.7 million, of which \$300,000 to \$350,000 will go to operating expenses.

Worse yet, all this does not include the enormous shortfall expected for next year's budget.

"We are looking at anywhere

from 800,000 to a million dollar deficit and that is based on two things one is a net decrease in students by about 45 students and that equates to about alone 379,000 decrease in state aid and by all accounts we're anticipating a decrease in state aid next year.

Charlevoix schools, like many others, are simply graduating more students than they are enrolling.

"We have tracked our stu-

dents and we lose very few students to other school districts," Janek said. "The ones we lose leave the area because of the economy leave the area or leave the state. Our enrollment has been declining over the last six years. Currently we're about 200 less students than we were."

Along with more than 400 Michigan school districts facing declining enrollment.

The state aid fund is in a \$38

million deficit. The projected deficit for the next fiscal year which begins in June is more than \$246 million.

"Our revenue is created by two sources: property taxes and sales taxes," Janek said. "When you experience a decrease in those, you have a shortfall in revenue."

Worse than not receiving revenue.

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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Cody Allan Sisson, 18, Boyne Falls. Operating while intoxicated. Credit for three days in jail; 80 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$780 in fines and costs.

Brian Thomas Kuhs, 32, Boyne City. Motor vehicle without security. Pay \$315 in fines and costs.

Mary Ann Mosley, 28, Boyne Falls. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail. Also charged with controlled substance, possession of narcotic or cocaine; controlled substance, maintaining a drug house. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 90 days in jail; to serve 36 months on probation; \$3,599.16 in fines and costs.

Peter Joseph Gallagher, 40, Charlevoix. Disturbing the peace. Credit for 54 days in jail; 39 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on

probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$500 in fines and costs.

Matthew James Trojanek, 34, East Jordan. Domestic violence, second offense; attempted to obstruct/resist/assault a police officer. Credit for 12 days in jail; to serve 88 days in jail; 90 days on an electronic monitoring device; 265 days in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,500 in fines and costs.

Broderick Russell Wiser, 20, Boyne City. Operating minor with any blood alcohol content; no valid operator license. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 20 days in jail; 49 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$380 in fines and costs.

Jessica Lynn French, 39, East Jordan. Attempted larceny, under \$200. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 15 days in jail; 20 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation;

East Jordan. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; 334 days held in abeyance; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve 24 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,530 in fines and costs.

Riley Felton Agee, 59, Boyne City. Malicious destruction of property, less than \$200. Credit for six days in jail; 82 days held in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to serve 24 months on probation; \$1,500 in fines and costs.

Carol Sue Leist, 51, Elmira. Possession of marijuana. Credit for one day in jail; 179 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$500 in fines and costs.

Joshua George Garrod, 23, Grayling. Use of marijuana. Pay \$400 in fines and costs or serve 45 days in jail.

Theresa Marie Tong, 46,

\$1,045 in fines and costs. Joseph Maynard Story, 24, Charlevoix. Controlled substance possession of narcotic or cocaine; controlled substance, maintaining a drug house. Credit for 15 days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Kelsey B's, 230 Ferry Ave., Charlevoix, by Strand Enterprises

Bobdog Feel Good, 1040 Arbor St., Harbor Springs, by Bruce and Robert Carroll

Subway of Charlevoix, 401 Bridge St., Charlevoix, by Terry Amick

Mooney Electric, 27700 Tamarack Trail, Beaver Island, by Duane Mooney

Nanny's Motel, Restaurant and Lounge, PO Box 723 Charlevoix, by John R. Strand

CAHSG, 10037 North U.S. 31, Ellsworth, by Gayle Kroon and Julie Edwards

KGB Services, 02805, M66 North, Charlevoix, by Karl Balch

Dohm & Associates, 03723 Black Road, Charlevoix, by William R. Dohm

Acer Virtual Office & Bookstore, 05115 Church Road, Boyne City, by Allen R. Cadarette

Charlevoix Investments, 102 Carpenter St., Charlevoix, by David Bacchus

Cedar Rest Resort, 00459, South Peninsula Road/PO Box 586, East Jordan, by

Robert H. Draves Jr. Trust, Robert H. Draves

Oliver Flooring, 2220 Clark Road, Central Lake, by John Oliver

Handy HI Services, 530 Advance Road, East Jordan, by Hugh Ingersoll

Expressway Sales, 05628 Six Mile Lake Road, Ellsworth, by Craig Weinkauff



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Snow ride

Legislators, including Charlevoix's state senator and representative, are seen here taking a break after crossing the mighty Mack. Pictured are (from left) Representative Geoff Hanson, Representative Jim Stamas, Representative Kevin Elsenhimer, Representative Wayne Schmidt and Senator Jason Allen on Sunday crossed. The group were on a three-day snow machine tour which covered nearly 350 miles.

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St. Mary School to host book fair Jan. 24 - Jan. 31

WHAT: St. Mary School will host a Scholastic Book Fair beginning Sat., Jan. 24 and running through Sat., Jan. 31.

Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the fair.

On Saturday, Jan. 24, St. Mary School will kick off Catholic Schools Week after Mass with the opening of the Book Fair from 6:00-8:00. On Sunday the 25th all are welcome to enjoy a pancake breakfast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and have a chance to visit the book fair.

The school children will invite a special person to lunch on Wed. Jan. 28 and visit the Book Fair afterwards. From 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday Jan. 31st come enjoy the children's choir singing at mass and a last chance to visit the Book Fair.

WHEN: The Book Fair will

open Sat. Jan 24 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will be open after each Mass on Saturday and Sunday through Jan. 31. During Catholic Schools Week, the Book Fair will also be open Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: St. Mary School is located at 1005 Bridge St., Charlevoix

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First round of cuts to bldg. dept.

County seeks to hedge department's looming deficit

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Like enormous dominoes one by one the faltering economy is knocking flat stores, factories and entire industries.

People either unemployed or unsure about their current jobs are less likely to build or renovate a home, which translates into fewer jobs for contractors, which means fewer permits purchased from the building department, which means less revenue for the department.

"The lack of building activity means there are not the funds necessary to support the department," said Charlevoix County Building and Safety Department head Ken Doty. "This is so that we don't go into a deficit like we did last year."

With two positions slated to be slashed from the Charlevoix County Building and Safety Department, Doty and the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners are looking to

take care of potential financial shortfalls before they happen.

The building department, which had employed seven full and part-time individuals, is losing a part-time electrical inspector and a full-time building inspector/plan reviewer which could save the department as much as \$75,000 this year.

"We've got to do something about this deficit we're operating under," said chairman of the board Chris Christensen (R-District Two). "The reason the building department has been able to operate in a deficit for the first couple of months of every year is because up until they started a positive fund balance."

Several months ago the county commissions set up a 90 day plan with the building and safety department to track the department's progress in staying financially afloat during this economic downturn which has sorely affected new construction projects and thereby decreasing revenue to the office.

However, Christensen said, since the department when into a negative fund balance last spring and had to be taken into the county's fiscal fold, the department no longer has that ability.

"At this point it becomes a gamble," he said. "The significant drop off in revenue is where the concern comes from, from our point of view."

Christensen added, "In 2008 we budgeted for \$704,000 in revenue but we actually only got \$646,000."

But, Doty said, while the department budgeted that amount, they typically spend less.

"I know you guys have been very good about that," Christensen said, but added, "Given the historical data and numbers here I think we need to brace for the worst. We need to shock this into alignment; we have to get a balanced budget."

Just take a look at neighboring counties and one will see similar moves—Antrim County has 24,299 residents as estimated in 2007 by the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments. Charlevoix was thought to have 26,181 at the time.

"We used to have nine full-time employees and two part-time (employees)," said Antrim

County Coordinator Pete Garwood. "About a year-and-a-half ago we knocked it down by two when two employees were eligible for retirement."

Garwood said due to the faltering economy and subsequent downturn in permits purchased, the building department was slimmed down to five personnel.

"We're seeing the workload go down as well as the revenue," Garwood said. "We're not making enough revenue to keep that many people on and we don't have enough permit requests to keep them on."

Doty, whose department has gone from working five days a week to four days per week to save money, said these further cuts will affect his ability to provide services.

"I will be shifting responsibilities around to cover these persons," he said. "But this is going to affect my ability to serve the county. You will wait for inspections; services will suffer."

Doty added, "But, we will do our best to continue to provide those services to the best of our ability."

The building department experienced a nearly 30 percent decrease in revenue from 2007 to last year, and Doty said things do not look to get better any time soon.

While Doty understands the county must do what is right for the taxpayers, he is concerned and puzzled that his department is in the minority of county offices which are re-

quired to be self-sufficient.

"We are charged rent, we look at liability insurance, we are assessed for heat, copies and other expenses," Doty said. "The commissioners don't want to put any money into this. I can't answer why the building department has to be self-sufficient now when so many other departments are not."

Christensen said it is common in today's economy for managers to feel pressured by accountability.

"Unfortunately the building department has squandered more than a \$200,000 fund balance over the last year-and-a-half, forcing the county to have to subsidize their operation. The Commission did not begin to subsidize this department until last May; when their fund balance went negative," he said. "Since then, we (the Commissioners) have so far laid off two employees with other necessary cuts that are obvious. Given the delicate nature of this issue we are being forced to examine all options in the building department including the structure and the amount of employees that are actually needed to staff this department."

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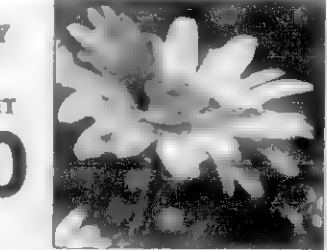
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Baseball camp

On Saturday, Feb. 7, Oakland University head baseball coach John Musachio and OU pitching coach Aaron Hines will run the third annual Northern Michigan Baseball Camp at Charlevoix High School. The camp is open to players in grades 7 to 12. The pitching and catching session will be from noon to 2:30 p.m. The hitting and fielding session will be from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost of the camp is \$30 for one session; \$55 for both at the door. Registrations received on or before Jan. 31 will receive a \$5 discount — \$25 per session if only attending one, \$50 if attending both. Coach Musachio is in his second season as head coach of Oakland's Division 1 program. He previously served two years as the Grizzlies' top assistant and recruiting coordinator. Prior to his time at Oakland, he was an assistant coach at Michigan State University. He played his college ball at Bradley University where he was a two-time All-Conference selection and was voted team MVP his senior season. Coach Young is in his first season as an assistant at Oakland. He spent four years as an assistant at Eastern Michigan University where he helped lead the Eagles to a Mid-American Conference Championship and a berth in the NCAA Regionals.

Coach Young played at Northwood University and St. Clair Community College. For further information or registration forms, contact Charlevoix baseball coach Allen Telgenhof at atelgenhof@chartermi.net or 547-7388.

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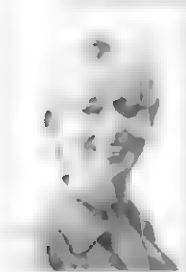
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A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

I have chapped hands, dry lips and hair with enough static that I have acquired a few stray birthday balloons. Even my hot flashes aren't keeping me warm this winter. The frigid weather is affecting my husband's hearing as well. I picked up on this when I said I was off to school and he wondered why I thought we should build a loft with a pool. He claims he can't hear as well from snow blowing everyday. This continuous blizzard of snow we've been living in has turned some of us into philosophers, hermits, deep thinkers or worse yet, deaf. Living in this arctic like winter

wonderland, I've begun to ponder a bit about coincidences, consciousness, and the meaning of life.

I've thought about how life has a way of putting people in front of you that you've been thinking about or meaning to call. No need to contact someone, just think about a situation involving the person or picture yourself talking to them and "poof" they show up. Is this coincidence or thoughtful messaging we didn't know we possessed?

Divine intervention, Karma, or statistical logic—no matter what your belief system, they exist. There is a plan for all of us. We are to meet certain people at specific times in our lives and whether or not you believe in God, we will continually come across situations throughout our lifetime that we won't be able to explain or understand. I feel it's important to have faith in what happens and that things happen for a reason.

I was counseling a couple last month who were planning to wed. Interestingly enough, they knew

each other when they were both camp counselors in their youth. Time passed and they went their separate ways leading full and active lives. Twenty-four years passed and the female in our story lost her son and husband to cancer. Ironically, the two camp counselors met again during a period when both of them were thinking about the good old days spent at this particular camp. Within a twenty-four period, they ended up re-connecting with the help of the Internet. When they reunited they started up their friendship where it had left off, and though they had aged they really didn't take notice. This loving couple married each other last week.

My left-brained, mathematical friends will be quick to point out that when certain events like this occur, it is a logical statistical outcome that has brought the situation together. The odds of certain events occurring at any given point in time are a math problem not coincidence. At some point when remarkable things occur, which is

daily, we only seem to notice the ones that get our attention.

Math is not a subject I embraced in school and being the right-brained child I am, I feel our lives have been mapped out by genetics and the grace of God. We are free to choose the direction we take but certain people and events are put in front of us so we may act upon them. Genetically we are already programmed to act and think a certain way. It might be good old grandpa that gave you your health problems or difficulties with personal relationships. Knowing that information, you can freely choose to do things differently that may have not been available years ago.

Karma says our actions create the cycle of cause and effect. I believe this to a point but why is it when I am thinking about someone I need to see or talk with, they show up where I am or better yet give me a call. Is this a coincidence or is it a blessing in disguise? It just saved me some time looking up their number and that's significant in

time management with me. Maybe we really can send messages with our minds but we aren't cognizant of it.

Elizabeth Kohler, Ross said, "There are no mistakes, no con-

cidences. All events are blessings given to us to learn from." Now there's a thought worth pondering while you are stuck in a snow bank.

WEEKLY POLL

Should Charlevoix allow off-premises signs for businesses which operate down Bridge Street side streets?

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No (24 Votes, 17%)

This week's poll: If you had to choose how often to visit Charlevoix in 2009/2010, would you reduce Administration?

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COURTESY PHOTO

2009 Garden Club officers

Pictured following their swearing-in are (front, from left) Peggy Brennan, first vice-president; Mary Watson-Chavez, president; and Kirsten Barwick, treasurer; (second row, from left) Mary Kengle, representative at large; Marge McGoff, Michigan Garden Club advisor; Kathleen Schmidtke, second vice-president; Shari Haynes, recording secretary; Sandi Bodenbender, Michigan Garden Club district 5 director; and Mary Bailey-Hengesh, representative at large. Missing from the picture are Joyce Reznick, corresponding secretary, and Ruth Augustine, representative at large. The officers were installed last December by Bodenbender from Aiden. The garden club's theme for 2009 is "Gardening with a Native Palette." The yearbook cover features a painting by the late Patsy Ramsey called "Summer Flowers" used with permission. This year's garden walk luncheon will be hosted at Castle Farms on the same day as the garden walk. More information to follow.

LETTERS to the editor

A BLOODY SUCCESS
Editor:

I am, once again, expressing my gratitude to the volunteers and blood donors for the

American Red Cross who made the blood drive in Charlevoix their highest priority on

Thursday, Jan. 15.

The winter season was very evident with bitter cold temperatures, snow and wind. However, the Community Reformed Church and staff, the Red Cross staff, the Charlevoix Lions Club, my team of volunteers and 102 donors made the effort to make sure they could make a difference in the lives of sick

and injured patients. What an honor to witness such generosity.

I would also like to thank my team of bakers for another delicious variety of treats for the canteen. The businesses, where posters reminded potential blood donors of the drive and the City Water and Electric Department for displaying the banners.

By day's end on Jan. 15, the American Red Cross had collected 89 pints of blood.

Since each pint can help up to 3 patients, Charlevoix donors affected approximately 260 people that afternoon. How fantastic is that?

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will hold a blood drive from noon to 5:45 p.m., on March 12.

Please plan to contribute to the life-saving efforts of the American Red Cross on that day.

Thank-you,
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THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

Except, instead of the usual chorus consisting of some bling-encrusted hoodlum chattering on about a "G" a "Ho" and a "Nine," it would just be the sound of me sobbing over digital drums and leaking pipes.

Five days into home ownership and I'm already a mess. Even the dogs are less ashamed—and I've seen where they put their noses.

Before I go on with this cheap and, might I add, ineffective form of print therapy, let me say that the

wife and I love the house. Even the unemployed midgets living upstairs are happy with their new rooms.

But, in my fragile state, I'm just not sure I can handle playing Mr. Fix-it.

I knew things were going bad when the closing process flowed so smoothly.

My father always used to say "Every time something good happens, something bad happens."

As I sat there scribbling my mark, broker and banker on one side, wife and daughter on the other—the boy volunteered to stay back and pack a few miscellaneous items while directing the movers so we could spend the first night in the new house—I thought it was all too good to be true. After nearly 15 years of slugging it out, making mistakes with our credit and then working to fix it, we were finally getting our own place.

My eyes darted back and forth, stomach bubbling, brow sweating while I waited for the bad thing to

come.

Perhaps a comet would land on us, maybe a stray bullet from a nearby post office, earthquake, plague, volcano?

With papers filed, hands shook and pleasantries exchanged we left the cloyers and headed to meet the movers.

The arrival time came and went, but no movers.

Minutes after grumbling about how I wasn't paying them to stop off for dinner, I got the call "Uh, hello, Mr. Gohs?"

When someone calls you "Mr." it generally means you're about to be told you have some horrible disease, or they've broken something they don't plan on replacing.

"I'm sorry we're running late, but there was an accident."

So, let me get this straight, you're telling me your large semi-truck that can be seen from say, the moon, hit another large semi-truck which can also be seen by, say, the blind?

Nothing seems to be broken, but

the other truck took off and we're waiting for the police to arrive."

OK, Gohs, stay calm. No need to pop a blood vessel. After all, you've got a nice big house to live in.

About an hour or so later the movers showed up, promptly unloaded the truck and handed me a slip of paper that made my stomach hurt and my wallet cry.

Suffering from mental, physical and mental exhaustion, the family passed out wherever they finished their dinner of fries and chicken nuggets.

We awakened last Friday in our new home, but the smile on my face soon disappeared when the wife, yelling from the bathroom, alerted me that the we were the luckiest family in town because our shower had not one, but two cold water faucets.

"Got the plumber on speed-dial?" Not quite ready to spend the day with my own stink, I grabbed a bar of soap on the way out the door. Following a birdie bath in the

Courier's water closet, I called our plumber—who just happens to be a close neighbor—and asked him to check out the water heater.

Smelling of Irish Spring and B.O. I maintained my distance while the plumber started the World War II-era boiler.

The wet popping and percolating I was hearing, the plumber said, was normal. I did my best not to black out when I heard the words "death rattle" "soon" and "money pit."

I tried to pay attention while he pointed at various valves and switches and pipes, but all I could think about was how living right around the corner from this guy was going to make it pretty awkward after I start writing him a series of bad checks.

No sooner had we rejoiced over having hot water than—and good god I wish I was kidding—there was an apparent simultaneous breakdown of the kitchen faucet, bathroom sink, upstairs sink, dishwasher and washing machine.

It seems the home inspection did not cover checking to see if the house was built on an Indian burial ground.

"Got the plumber on speed-dial?" Evil spirits notwithstanding I called the plumber.

He said the old metal water pipes had been off so long that a substance resembling kitty litter mixed with creamy peanut butter had clogged much of the fixtures.

After a couple hours and a few parts runs, the plumber was finished—and we had a fully operational house.

It's been three whole days since anything has malfunctioned and the family is just loving the new house, but I'm withholding my chirps of glee.

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Charlevoix Public Library Youth Department book reviews

• The Vaccine Book: Making the Right Decision for Your Child

Sears, Robert, M.D.
In a clear, accessible tone Dr. Sears lays out the reasons both for and against administering vaccines and provides the essential tools for making informed decisions about your child's health. (Parents/Caregivers)

• Bad Kitty Gets a Bath

Hruel, Nick
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• The Creative Family: How to Encourage Imagination & Nurture Family Connections

Soule, Amanda Blake
This book embraces a whole new way of living that will engage your children's imagination, celebrate their

achievements, and help you to express love and gratitude for each other as a family. To learn more about the author, Amanda Soule, visit her blog at www.SouleMama.com. (Parents/Caregivers)

• Faradawn

Schade, Susan
Graphic Novel. As in the first book of the Fog Mound trilogy, "Travels of Thelonus," the intrepid chipmunk pursues his personal quest to uncover the differences between legend and history, and to answer the most troubling question of all—what happened to the humans? (Ages 9-12)

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Nick Jr.
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ANNIVERSARY

60 years

Clayton and Kathryn (Besemer) Smith are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with a party following church service at noon on Jan. 25 at the United Methodist Church on State Street in Charlevoix.

They were married on Jan. 22, 1949 at the Barnard Methodist Church.

The Smiths have four children Debra Wright of Grand Blanc who has a son and daughter Dan and Rachel; Randy and Elizabeth Smith of Grand Rapids who have four children Kathryn, Olivia, Patience and Emma Ann; David and Linda Scovell Higginan in Connecticut, they have three sons; Gayle and Richard King Delaware. Clayton and Kathryn met in Charlevoix.

Kathryn was a kindergarten teacher of 25 years in Charlevoix and Clayton sold fruit and was a fur trapper for close to 65 years.

Clayton served in the Civilian Conservation Corp. in 1936 and 1937 and joined the Merchant Marine and served for the year of 1945.

Family and friends will be in attendance.



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COURTESY PHOTO

Winterfest court

The Charlevoix High School 2009 Winterfest court (front, from left) are Bridget Peters, Jordan McCarthy, KC McCary, Chantel Novotny and Alyssa Smith and (back, from left) Rex VanPelt, Jake Rankl, Justin Frieke, Collin McDonough and Logan Smith. The school is celebrating Winterfest during the week of Jan. 19 through 24. Snow sculptures will be created in the courtyard during the week and an assembly will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24. The Winterfest king and queen will be crowned at halftime of the girls' basketball game that evening.

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Monday, January 26,

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group to define its purpose and

needs. All writer's welcome

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Official Notice

MEMORANDUM

TO: Charlevoix City Council and the general public.
 FROM: City of Charlevoix Historic District Commission.
 City of Charlevoix Historic District Study Committee.
 SUBJECT: Update on Historic Preservation Efforts.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to update the Charlevoix City Council and the general public on overall historic preservation efforts, and the outcome of the study completed for the Downtown Business District.

BACKGROUND

The demolition of the Appletree Building in 2003, the former office of Earl Young, located on Bridge Street in the Downtown Business District was very controversial and thus resulted in the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee. The Ad Hoc Historical Preservation Committee was established by City Council on September 2, 2003 and was tasked with studying the feasibility of historic districts within the City. The Ad Hoc Committee consisted of two members from each of the following organizations: Downtown Development Authority, City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Historical Society, and the City Planning Commission. On January 17, 2005, the Ad Hoc Committee filed a report to the City Council and recommended that the Ad Hoc Committee be dissolved and replaced by a Historic District Study Committee. The Charlevoix City Council made a resolution to appoint a Historic District Study Committee on January 17, 2005, who has the responsibility to undertake a photographic inventory of all resources in the proposed district, research the history of the district, and write the preliminary report. The Study Report includes the History of the Proposed District, a Statement of Significance (Association with Significant Events, and Design/Construction Significance), Historical Research on the buildings in the designated area; a photographic inventory, resource counts and resource percentages. The report is then officially transmitted to the local Planning Body, SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office), the Michigan Historic Commission, and the State Historic Preservation Review Board. Next, the Charlevoix Historic District Commission was established by the Charlevoix City Council, as part of City Ordinance 706 of 2005 which was adopted by the Charlevoix City Council October 17, 2005. This Commission is responsible for following the Design Review Guidelines, the US Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and guidelines for rehabilitating historic buildings. The City of Charlevoix Historic District Commission held an Education Forum on December 11, 2007 where all property and business owners in the Charlevoix Downtown Business District were invited to attend, as were

owners of historic buildings and all interested citizens. The forum presented information on the benefits and restrictions of historic designation as well as the local economic benefits of historic districts. A video tape of the session was made available to interested parties who were not able to be in attendance and is still available at the City Planning Office.

FACTS ON HISTORIC DISTRICTS

Michigan Local Historic Districts Act, Michigan Public Act 169 of 1970, declares Historic Preservation a public purpose to Foster Civic Beauty, Safeguard Heritage, Stabilize and Improve Property Values, Strengthen Local Economy, Ensure rights of property owners, procedural due process, and equal protection. It provides communities with tools to manage change, and sets forth procedures for establishing, modifying and eliminating local historical districts.

A Historical Resource is defined as 50 years or older, a building, structure, object, site, district, association with significant people/events, design/construction, significant at local, state or national level. The Resource must retain its integrity in materials, location, setting, design, workmanship, association, and feeling.

FINDINGS OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE

The committee was directed, as the first Historic District in Charlevoix, to study the Charlevoix Train Depot located at 307 Chicago Avenue. It was to be considered as a single resource Historical District. The study was submitted to SHPO July 20, 2005, a public informational hearing was held on March 1, 2006, and was designated as the first Historic District by adoption of Ordinance No. 715-2007, by the Charlevoix City Council on February 5, 2007.

The Study Committee was then directed to study the Downtown Business District which would include the East Side of Bridge Street from the Bridge to Clinton Street, and the West Side of Bridge Street from the Weathervane Restaurant to the north side of Antrim, and Park Avenue, Clinton Street, Mason Street to State Street, and State Street from Park Avenue to Antrim Street. The preliminary report on the east side of Bridge Street was completed and sent to the State Historic Preservation Office for review, and presented to the Michigan Historical Commission on December 6, 2007. Originally, it was

thought that the majority of the buildings located in the Downtown Business District would qualify as Contributing Resources. After reviewing the information in the report the Michigan Historical Commission felt that four of the resources had undergone significant alteration and could not be considered as contributing resources, two had undergone significant alteration though they would be considered contributing resources in a larger historic district. There were only three strong historic resources that retain material integrity on the east side of Bridge Street. Since the west side of Bridge Street was already under study the decision was made to complete the west side and include it with the east side to see if a solid 50% or more contributing resources in the district could be met for it to be designated as Historic. After researching the properties it was found that we optimistically only had 46.6% contributing properties, and 53.3% non-contributing properties. The façade changes and other alterations that had been made to the majority of the buildings again had to be reviewed according to the United States Secretary of Interior Guidelines for the Treatment of Historic Properties and the State of Michigan Guidelines for Historic Preservation. According to SHPO since the number of contributing resources within the district would be under 50%, the report submitted as a whole could not be approved as a Historic District.

FUTURE GOALS

The Business District cannot be considered as a whole district, but the Charlevoix Historic Study Committee continues to consider and study certain historic buildings and areas in the city, which if established would be governed by the Commission. The Commission will be working with property owners and studying these resources in the future to determine the feasibility of protecting these historic resources.

MEETING TIMES

The City of Charlevoix Historic District Commission meets on the first Wednesday of every other month beginning January 2009, at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, in the second floor conference room. The City of Charlevoix Historic District Study Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m., at City Hall, in the second floor conference room.

Any concerns can be addressed to Michael Spencer, City Planner, at 547-3265.

A quiet lady celebrates 100 years of life



Here Roberta Bartlett, now 100 years old, is seen with family (front, from left) Teresa (Bears) Kerstine with her children Kevin and Mikayla; Bob Bears, her son; and (back, from left) Jim and Angel Bears and Rev. Glenn and Audrey Bears.



COURTESY PHOTO

Howard and Roberta (Bartlett) Bears are seen here in their 1932 marriage photo. Howard was 29 and Roberta was 23.

Roberta Bartlett was born on Jan. 14, 1909 in Williamsburg where she attended school and played on the high school girls' basketball team.

After graduation she continued to teach and later taught school in a one-room school house before marriage.

In the midst of the great depression, she married Howard Bears on Sunday, Dec. 25, 1932.

For the next 18 years she was a farm wife and later a mother to three boys as the Bears family farm in Banks Township, outside of Ellsworth.

Winters on an isolated farm were hard.

It was not unusual to be snowed-in for several days or maybe even a week at a time—No mail; no outside contact; no TV—just you and the howling

winter winds.

A team of horses and a sleigh were the only means of getting out to Ellsworth for supplies.

To help pass the time, she wrote letters to her parents. She wrote a lot of them. Thirty years of letters, filled with the joys and hardships of farm life.

Her husband, after the death of his mother in 1950, put the remote, Ellsworth farm up for sale. It was sold to Clarence Boss in 1951 and the family moved to a farm in Marion Township.

Here, Roberta continued her hard work as a farm wife for another 12 years.

Just one example: gathering and cleaning eggs for sale at Neff brothers grocery store in town. The Charlevoix farm, located south of Castle Farms on the hill, was sold to the Kiteley family in 1963.

Roberta and her husband moved into town to a house on the corner of Meadow Lane and Garfield Street. Roberta there for another 45 years. 35 of these years as a widow.

Her oldest son Jim still remembers how hard his mom worked and how she would read Bible stories to the children when they were young.

Bob still remembers how hard his mom worked and how she would sit the children down on the couch, wait patiently for

them to settle down and then read to them.

The youngster in the crowd, Roberta's son Glenn, remembers how hard his mom worked and how she would stop and read the children the comics when the Grand Rapids Press came.

Roberta's hard work and cheery outlook on life helped all the children, they say.

Glenn, who later became a minister, was fond of saying, "If a person can't get along with mom, they can't get along with

life: with great determination

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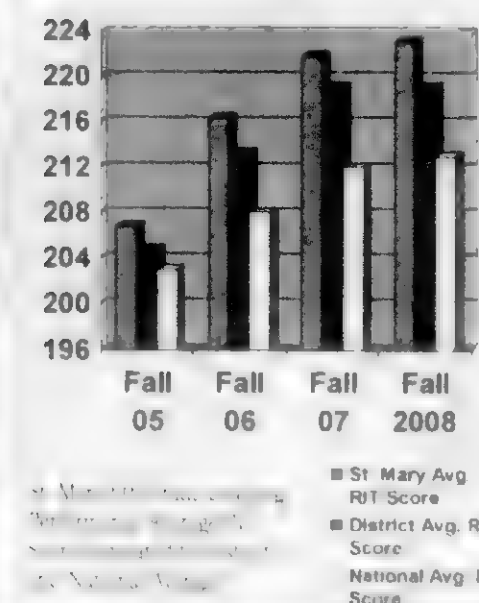
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Catholic Schools Week Activities ~ January 25 - 31ST ~ Theme: Celebrate Services

Sunday
1/25

- Panake breakfast fundraiser
- Kickoff Catholic Schools Week 10:00am-1:00pm in Parish Center
- Sponsored by: St. Mary School
- Cost: Donation

Monday
1/26

- "We are all Stars in God's Eyes"
- Students dress as a famous person.
- First day of "Secret Service"-weeklong activities servicing another student
- Staff vs. Students Basketball Game 3:15pm

Tuesday
1/27

- "God loves us just as we are"
- Dress as you wish (no uniforms) for a donation to the Religious Retirement Fund

Wednesday
1/28

- "Enjoying the Day with Others"
- School Mass 8:30am
- Special Person's Day Lunch, 11:00am Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus
- Bingo 2:00pm Sponsored by Louie

Thursday
1/29

- "Celebrating our Parishioners"
- Students bake cookies & make thank-yous to give to parishioners after Masses
- Ice Cream Social 2:30pm

Friday
1/30

- "Celebrate Service in our Students"
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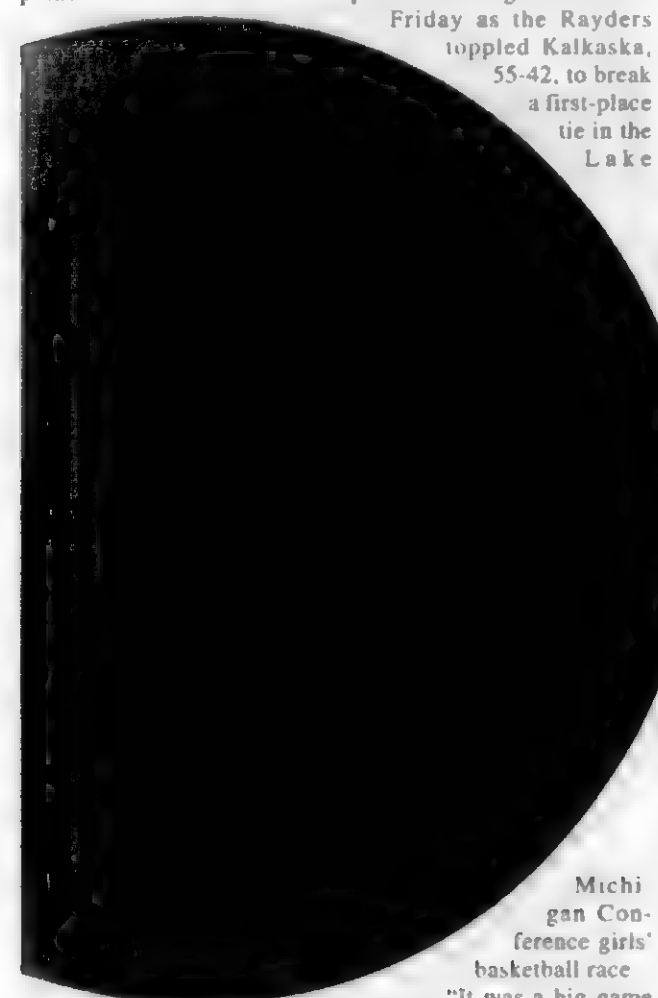
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix girls take over lead in Lake Michigan Conference

The Rayders stand alone. Sarah Potter scored 16 points.



and grabbed nine rebounds, and Tammy Potter added 12 points and eight rebounds Friday as the Rayders toppled Kalkaska, 55-42, to break a first-place tie in the Lake

for us," said Charlevoix coach Brett Erskine, whose team improved to 7-2 overall and 4-0 in the league. Kalkaska, which was ranked tied for ninth in the Associated Press Class C state poll, suffered its first loss of the season and stands 7-1, 3-1.

"First place in the league," Erskine said. "The girls were really excited to play in a game like that and they really stepped up."

Perhaps none more so than Tammy Potter, a senior forward. She scored 10 of her points in the third quarter as Charlevoix extended its 30-23 halftime lead to 45-31. Kalkaska never got closer than 10 points the rest of the way.

"Great job on the press causing a lot of havoc and wearing down their guards," Erskine said. "We made them turn the ball over a few times. That kind of took a little bit of wind out of their sails. I think we kind of wore them down at the end because they looked pretty tired."

Two of those seniors, KC McCarty and Meridith Rich, did an outstanding job in triggering Charlevoix's defensive pressure, particularly on Kalkaska's guard tandem of Ponstein and Chelsea Matley.

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Charlevoix won the JV game, 61-18, as Dani Baron scored 11 points, and Lynzie Gotshall and Hannah Hybl added 10 apiece.

Ex-Rayder standout Friske leads Brown in win

Charlevoix graduate Scott Friske scored 15 points, grabbed eight rebounds and dished out three assists in leading Brown to a 69-56 men's basketball victory over Bryant (R.I.) University.

The 15 points was a season-high for Friske, a 6-foot-6 senior forward.

The Bears, 6-8, open Ivy League play on Friday, Jan. 16, against Yale.

Three former area standouts were named the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference All-Academic team for the fall season. They are Petoskey graduate Andy Strohbel, who plays football at Northern Michigan; Harbor Light grad Jessica Hass, who

plays volleyball at Saginaw Valley; and East Jordan graduate Kristi Werner, who runs cross country at Wayne State.

Harbor Light Christian graduate Hannah Hewitt had five points and one assist for Alma College in a 69-47 women's basketball loss to Calvin College. Hewitt had one assist in a 78-77 overtime victory over Olivet. The Scots are 4-7 overall, 3-1 in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Petoskey graduate Corbin Donaldson contributed two points, two rebounds, two steals and an assist in Cornerstone University's 75-68 loss to Madonna. He had nine points, six rebounds and an

assist in an 84-82 win over Concordia. Cornerstone is 11-7 overall, 1-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Harbor Springs graduate Mark Morse finished with four points and three rebounds in helping the Lake Superior State men's basketball team to a 79-66 victory over Grand Valley. It was Lake Superior's first win over Grand Valley in seven years.

Morse had two points, two assists, two steals and a rebound in an 86-59 loss to Ferris State. The Lakers are 8-5 overall, 5-3 in the GLIAC.

Senior guard Mischa McCray, a Harbor Light graduate, had two points and two

rebounds as Calvin downed Alma, 73-47, in an MIAA men's basketball game. Calvin is 7-5 overall, 2-0 in the MIAA.

Sophomore Jo'ell Cruse, an Inland Lakes grad, had 13 points and pulled down five rebounds in helping Kirtland Community College to a 78-74 women's basketball win over St. Clair CC.

Cruse then had four points, three rebounds and an assist in a 96-33 loss to Schoolcraft College. The Firebirds are 9-5.

Petoskey graduate Matt Murphy had one assist in helping Rochester (N.Y.) to a 79-68 victory over New York University. Rochester is 9-2

GIRLS Basketball

Charlevoix 52, Gaylord 36. Charlevoix outscored the Blue Devils, 21-6, Monday, Jan. 12 in the third quarter to pull away in a tuneup for its league showdown Friday at Kalkaska.

The Rayders improved to 6-2 overall and are 3-0 in the Lake Michigan Conference. The Blazers are 6-0, 3-0. They share first place and are the only unbeaten teams remaining in the conference.

"I know they're going to pressure us a lot," Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine said of the Blazers. "They've got some really quick people up front. If we can handle that pressure and get the ball across (halfcourt) and settle down into our offense, it'll be a good game."

"Tonight (against Gaylord) I thought we handled it OK," Tammy Potter scored eight of her team-high 10 points during the decisive third quarter to spark the Rayders on Monday. Charlevoix led, 19-12, at halftime, then upped its lead to as many as 20 in the third quarter.

Erica Faust added eight points and Taylor Storm had seven for Charlevoix, while Potter grabbed six rebounds. Meridith Rich had eight rebounds and four assists, and Shauna Spenceley finished with four assists.

For Gaylord, 3-5, Brittney Deerfield scored 16 points.

Dani Baron scored 17 points and Jenna Way added 12 as Charlevoix won the JV game, 51-39. Lauren Bartline scored 22 points to lead Charlevoix to a 61-57 overtime victory in the freshman game.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix sweeps wrestling double-dual

Charlevoix swept a Lake Michigan Conference double-dual from Boyne City and Traverse City St. Francis on Wednesday, Jan. 14.

The Rayders topped Boyne, 45-30; and the Gladiators, 60-18. Boyne City finished the night 1-1, beating St. Francis, 36-21.

Against Boyne City, Charlevoix's wins came from Myles

Kerr, 103, void; Curtis Russell, 112, void; Zeke Daman, 130, pin, 49 seconds; Alex Waha, 135, pin, 1:12; Matt Golovich, 140, pin, 1:48; Matt Levans, 145, void; Chris Levans, 189, 7-0 decision; and Jacob Roach, 275, pin, 2:51.

Against St. Francis, Charlevoix's wins came from Daman, 130, pin, 1:31; Waha, 135, void; Golovich, 140,

pin, 49 seconds; Chris Keie, 171, pin, 5:11; Levans, 189, void; Corey Heise, 215, void; Roach, 275, void.

Against St. Francis, Boyne winners were Nate Haley, 130, pin, 57 seconds; Chris Bersona, 135, void; Cody Wilmot, 152, pin, 53 seconds; Drew Nobel, 171, void; Steve Robinson, 215, void; Jack Diener, 275, void.

Against the Rayders, Boyne's winners were Adam Brown, 125, pin, 1:55; Josh McGeorge, 152, void; Wilmot, 160, void; Nobel, 171, pin, 3:30; Marc Calo, 215, pin, 3:17.

"Charlevoix won a couple matches that we had a chance to compete in," Boyne coach Don Nobel said. "They not only won them, but they won

them by pin. Those 12 points were the difference in the match."

"I think we can wrestle better, but hats off to them for wrestling a good match."

"Nate Haley and Cody Wilmot came up big for us against St. Francis with first-period pins. Couple that with a little more team depth and we came away with the win."



Mt. McSauba offers new program

With the addition of the Training Grounds Terrain Park a new program has been established for riders to develop their skills and etiquette that are required for use. John Curtis will teach group lessons for snowboarders and skiers interested in developing their skills from a professional snowboarder. This program is designed for young riders looking to gain experience hitting jumps, riding rails and learning new tricks safely. Over the course of our five-week program, riders will be instructed on safety, technique and style. This program is for riders that are at a skill level where they feel the need to progress and have new experiences besides that of just riding down the hill. Smart style will be explained and taught. Sign-up sheets were distributed to area schools and lessons begin Jan. 22. Parents, this is a way to help your child ride safely in the terrain park and gain experience to be a responsible user. Lessons cost \$40 for riders who have a board and \$50 for those who need to rent one. Here Curtis is pictured coming off a jump at McSauba's new terrain park "The Training Grounds."

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Three Rayders first

Three Charlevoix wrestlers placed first Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Rayders' Takedown Tournament.

Matches were scored on takedowns only, and no pins were allowed.

Charlevoix's Zeke Daman, Matt Golovich and Chris Levans won their respective weight classes, while the Rayders' Jacob Roach placed second, Curtis Russell was third, and Myles Kerr placed fourth.

Daman went 3-0 with two

technical pins, 17-1 and 15-0, and a 5-0 decision to place first at 130 pounds.

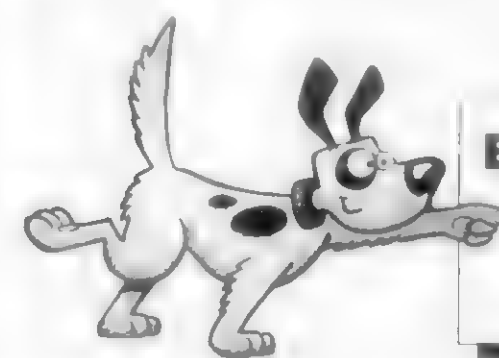
Golovich won at 140 with two 15-0 technical pins, while Levans went 4-0 to win at 171. Levans won three of his matches with 15-0 technical falls, and he won the fourth on an 11-0 decision.

Roach finished 2-1 to place second at 275. He won, 15-3 and 5-4. Russell went 1-2 to place third at 103, his one victory coming on a 15-0 technical

pin. Kerry went 1-3 to place fourth at 112. His victory also came on a technical fall.

Also for Charlevoix, Brian Penfold went 1-4 at 125, Alex Waha went 1-4 at 135, and Matt Levans went 1-4 at 145. Waha's victory came on a 15-0 technical fall.

Manton won the six-team tournament with 78 points, followed by Mancelona, 68, and Charlevoix, 64. Elk Rapids, Frankfort and Gaylord rounded out the field.



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BUSINESS What's new?

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Irish Boat Shop in top 100 dealerships

In November, 2008, in Las Vegas, Nevada, Boating Industry Magazine recognized Irish Boat Shop as one of the "Top 100 boat dealers in North America for 2008."

Irish Boat Shop is a 47-year-old, full-service marina with two locations in Charlevoix and Harbor Springs.

The Top 100 ranking recognizes those marine dealers that are unsurpassed in overall business operations, customer service, marketing and professionalism. Collectively, the 2008 Boating Industry Top 100 employ nearly 4,800 people and operate 278 retail locations across North America.

"While most industry awards are given to those

dealers that sell the most boats, our Top 100 program is much more qualitatively focused," said Matt Gruhn, Editor-In-Chief of Boating Industry, "thereby leveling the playing field for all dealers and directing consumers to those dealers that can best deliver on the dream that boat ownership promises."

Irish Boat Shop is one of two marinas in Michigan on this elite list. With over 5,000 marinas in North America, Boating Industry narrows the list down to 3,000 nominations and exhaustively reviews over 350 applications.

"Our editorial staff was extremely impressed with the detailed nature of Irish Boat Shop's planning process," said Gruhn. "Of particular

note, this Sea Ray and Boston Whaler Master Dealer sets short-term, highly quantifiable goals for each department, which are tracked monthly."

"The Boating Industry Top 100 has, in short order, become the most coveted award in the marine market," explained Tammy Galvin, Vice President of Affinity Boating Media. "Marine dealers are on the front line with consumers every day, and this is one way we can help provide much-needed benchmarking information for all other dealers to measure themselves against."

To see the complete ranking of the Top 100 dealers, visit www.Boating-Industry.com.

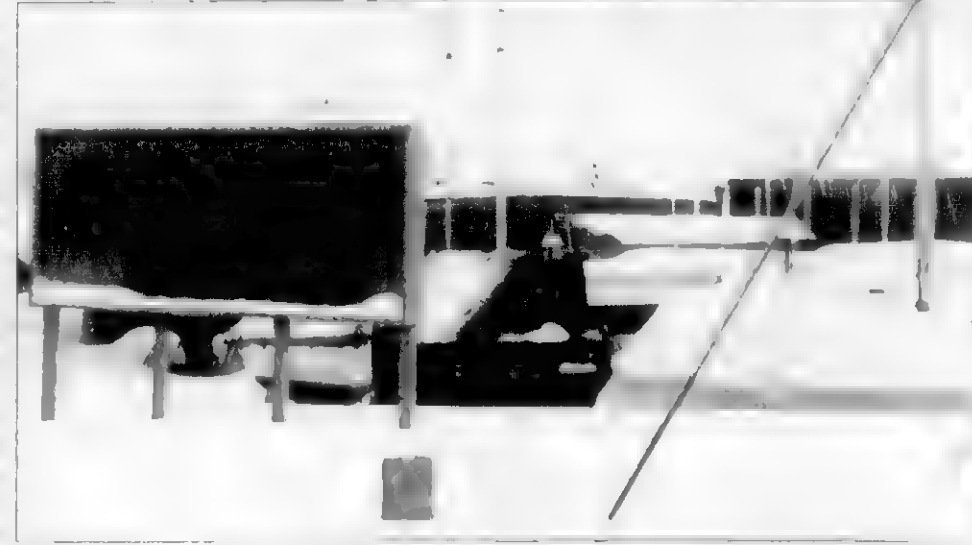


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Enough in the budget for the new school year?

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ing what Janek perceives as an adequate increase in school funding from the state, schools this year could actually see a decrease from last year's per pupil allowance.

"It's a tough situation," Janek said. "But, the board and I and principals are com-

mitted to keeping our academic standards high—we have put a freeze on purchasing text books, supplies, equipment over the last five years, but with that commitment you can only do that for so long so at some point we have to say we are in the education

business and we are going to make sure we maintain our high standards."

Due to the tough economic times and ever decreasing funding, Janek is working with the administration to develop a budget committee consisting of members of the public and

administration.

Janek said letters will soon be sent to every household within the Charlevoix school district urging anyone interested to participate in the budgetary problem-solving process.

Adding to the woes of the schools number crunchers is

the as-of-yet unresolved labor contract with Charlevoix Public School teachers.

"How do we stay financially solvent and keep our high academic standards? And, how do we enter into a fair contract with the labor unions?" Janek said. "We don't know what

the state's going to do with the budget; we don't know what enrollment's going to be; we don't know how many teachers are going to retire."

He added, "It's a very frustrating. It's like a big jigsaw puzzle and a lot of the pieces are missing."

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SYNOPSIS - JANUARY 14, 2009

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antrom Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Motion approved the minutes of the January 5, 2009 minutes as corrected. Motion approved Resolution #09-01, Approve County Expenditures. Motion approved Resolution #09-02, Grandview Operating Transfer Resolution #09-03 was tabled. Motion for Resolution #09-04 was withdrawn. Motion approved Resolution #09-05, Maintenance Updates. Motion adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Cheryl Potter Browne, County Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Charlevoix will hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed 2008-2009 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment #2 on Monday, February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan. The following Budget Amendment #2 is proposed for the fiscal year April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009:

		Original Budget	Amended Budget	Net Change
General Fund	RV Taxes	2,226,500	2,242,190	15,690
	RV State Grants	272,800	275,018	2,218
	RV Licenses & Permits	5,000	2,200	(3,800)
	RV Charges for Services	637,900	616,075	(21,825)
	RV Fines & Forfeits	23,200	20,900	(2,300)
	RV Interest & Rents	129,900	128,416	(1,484)
	RV Other	3,400	8,940	5,540
	RV Fund Transfers	13,000	0	(13,000)
	Total Change in Revenues - General Fund	3,312,700	3,293,739	(18,961)
General Fund	EX Legislative	63,500	56,923	(6,577)
	EX General Government	571,600	543,717	(27,883)
	EX Public Safety	1,193,300	1,039,590	(153,710)
	EX Public Works	248,600	236,200	(12,400)
	EX Health & Welfare	245,400	246,882	1,482
	EX Recreation & Culture	948,900	815,406	(133,494)
	EX Other	104,000	70,812	(33,188)
	EX Fund Transfers	85,000	129,500	44,500
	Total Change in Expenses - General Fund			(221,270)
Major Street	RV Total	551,700	542,536	(9,164)
Local Street	RV Total	148,100	143,902	(4,198)
	EX Total	127,700	138,980	11,280
Downtown Development Auth	RV Total	925,900	822,014	(103,886)
	EX Total	904,500	1,022,013	117,513
Airport Fund	RV Total	398,100	207,572	(190,528)
Downtown Development Authority	EX Total	835,100	1,139,100	304,000
PH#1 Fire/Ambulance Replacement	EX Total	150,000	173,570	23,570
PH#2 Sewer Capital Fund Tap Ins	RV Total	31,200	12,800	(18,400)
PH#5 Sewer Capital Fund NSS	RV Total	29,000	11,300	(17,700)
PH#6 Infrastructure Fund	EX Total	700,800	856,191	155,391
PH#9 Industrial Park Fund	RV Total	6,000	5,000	(1,000)
PH#10 City Hall Improvements	RV Total	256,700	256,500	(200)
	EX Total	248,500	253,500	5,000
PH#12 Mt. McSaubers Recreation	EX Total	13,000		67,000
PH#16 Downtown Parking Fund	RV Total	5,000	3,500	(1,500)
Electric Fund	RV Total	6,354,100	6,247,589	(106,511)
	EX Total	6,769,300	6,884,555	115,255
Water Fund	RV Total	1,027,000	954,000	(73,000)
Water Fund	EX Total	1,216,000	1,329,203	113,203
Manna Fund	EX Total	2,639,400	4,798,395	2,158,995
Employee Fringe Benefit Fund	RV Total	1,794,300	1,705,991	(88,309)
	EX Total	1,680,700	1,682,869	2,169
Motor Pool	EX Total	953,700	1,187,237	243,537

Copies of the detailed budget amendment are available at City Hall between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. All interested citizens have the opportunity to give written or oral comments and are welcomed.

Richard Brandt
City Treasurer

Fighting after the war ends

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as fighting against Germany.

"The British got this idea that they would get the Americans in because they were new blood in this war," said Peak, who is currently working on a feature length documentary "Voices of a Never Ending Dawn." "We only got into the war toward the end of World War I because Woodrow Wilson stood on a platform of peace and that's how he got elected to a second term, but when Germany tried to come up through Mexico, Arizona and Texas we intercepted a telegram saying that Mexico was going to operate with Germany ... and when Americans heard about Mexico and Arizona they decided to get into the war."

Peak's crew chose to shoot some of the four key battle scenes of the Polar Bears in southern Charlevoix because the terrain was similar to that of northern Russia.

Though, Peak said, the temperatures during the original battles were closer to 60 degrees below zero.

"They get up there and they're only supposed to guard ammunition. Well, by the time they got up there the ammunition was already stolen by the communists and the British took their flags away, guns away, took the

American food away, took our guys and shipped them out on the front," she said. "World War I ended 60 days after they got to Russia. Many of the guys were from the Petoskey area, Ellsworth, from all around here. And the idea was pick the Michigan guys—they're tough, they know winter and many of them are Polish and speak Polish, which they thought was similar to Russian."

She added, "There was an important northern port with a railroad tied to it that you could take all the way down to Moscow. So, our guys and only some of their guys went down and fought this horrendous, bloody war with the Bolsheviks."

Peak and several of her actors and re-enactors converged on the Weatherlane Terrace Inn & Suites on Jan. 16 for a press conference. What some may not know is that the grandfather of Irene Hizeberger, assistant manager of the inn, was actually a Polar Bear who fought against the Bolsheviks.

Irene's father, Mike Postmus, carefully recopied his father's war diary, a piece which was one of several diaries which spurred Peak to make the movie.

"So, World War I ends Nov. 11 of 1918, but the word never

came for these guys to go home," she said. "All the sudden four weeks have gone by and they're completely iced in. The parents of Detroit, Michigan don't know if their sons are dead or alive—they didn't even have radios—Spanish flu had killed 100 of these guys and they couldn't even get the bodies out."

Parents from all over Michigan began meeting in Detroit, urging the government to bring the men home.

"It was March of 1919 when they started coming home, but my grandfather didn't get home until around the end of June. Some guys were fighting on the front, bloody horrible fights one day and then zoomed up the river and put on a boat to go to New York," Peak said.

The soldiers stayed alive by living with peasant families in northern Russia.

"Not only did they not have enough food and 60 degrees below zero temperatures, but they caught body lice because the peasants houses were connected to their barns where the animals."

With 30 years in show business, and nearly 10 years of making industrial films, Peak hopes to bring the audience through the journey of the Polar Bears and

the hardship endured by families who lost their loved ones.

Peak focuses on several of the men including Sgt. Mick Kenney, the infantry leader of Company K who had to take the town of Kodish but died while fighting nearly eight weeks after World War I ended.

The six-foot, five-inch actor Nick Vukasovich, who has

worked in stage plays and commercial work while in high school and college, is slightly taller than the real-life Kenney, but doesn't think he could have filled his character namesake's proverbial shoes.

"I've been trying to read up on Sgt. Kenney," he said. "I've also been watching some World War I documentaries to see what

it was like. I think if I went to war I would be scared, but my character was someone everyone in the company looked up to and was brave, fearless really. He was the complete opposite of how I would have been."

Visit www.PolarBearDocumentary.com for previews, history and more from the movie or to preorder a DVD



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Irene Hizeberger poses with her father Mike Postmus during a press conference for the upcoming documentary "Voices of a never-ending dawn." Postmus' father was one of 5,500 Polar Bears, or soldiers from Michigan who were sent to northern Russia during World War I to fight a communist uprising.

Official Notice

City of Charlevoix PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a public hearing on the proposed 2009-2010 Annual City Budget at 7:00 pm on Monday, February 16, 2009 in the City Hall Council Chambers, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan. The purpose of the hearing is to inform citizens of local budgetary actions and provide the opportunity for participation in the local budget making process. **The proposed property tax millage rate to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this public hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget is available at City Hall or the Charlevoix Public Library for public inspection.

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX, MICHIGAN 2009-2010 Proposed BUDGET REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY - ALL FUNDS January 15, 2009

	GENERAL FUND	MAJOR STREET	LOCAL STREET	AIRPORT	ELECTRIC	WATER	MARINA	CEMETERY TRUST	TOTAL	2008-09
REVENUES										
Taxes	\$2,337,100								\$2,337,100	\$3,031,800
Licenses & Permits	4,500								4,500	6,000
State & Federal Grants	272,100	214,800	65,300	755,700	6,180,500	1,030,600	736,900	320,000	13,080,900	2,789,006
Charges for Services	647,300			113,900	34,000	6,100	5,700		9,014,100	8,712,700
Fines & Forfeits	22,100				75,000	19,800	16,000	9,400	279,500	413,000
Interest & Rents	125,200	600	300	200	12,500	13,000		20,300	57,400	129,300
Other	3,300				18,400	57,600	33,800	181,700	258,400	951,000
Fund Transfers		335,100	65,000		538,800	283,200	231,200	464,100	1,699,800	1,523,994
Appropriation-Surplus	87,500	17,000		1,600						
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$3,500,100	\$567,500	\$130,600	\$803,300	\$6,874,000	\$1,386,500	\$1,171,400	\$1,051,900	\$15,519,600	\$17,871,600
EXPENDITURES										
Legislative	\$55,900								\$55,900	63,500
General Government	590,900								590,900	571,600
Public Safety	1,227,100								1,227,100	1,193,300
Public Works	255,500	232,400	129,000	114,400					926,400	1,285,200
Health & Welfare	285,600							195,100	2,851,000	2,454,400
Recreation & Culture	895,500								1,069,000	948,900
Capital Outlay		335,100		755,000	555,000	42,800	147,400	210,000	2,065,300	3,974,600
Debt Service				31,600	400	1,400	1,400	268,400	444,800	589,100
Electric					5,658,100				5,664,100	6,113,200
Sewer						1,137,100			1,137,100	1,295,200
Water							884,900		884,900	878,100
Other	85,900						29,500		115,400	413,500
Depreciation	104,900			2,300	629,500	169,200	108,200	400,000	1,306,900	1,306,900
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$3,500,100	\$567,500	\$130,600	\$803,300	\$6,874,000	\$1,386,500	\$1,171,400	\$1,051,900	\$15,519,600	\$17,871,600

Net Change in Budget from 2008-09: -7%

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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Now through Feb. 20 Applications for summer art camp scholarships are being accepted. To get more information or to get an application, contact a guidance office or art teacher at either Charlevoix Middle or High Schools. The funds are released from the Enduring Arts Scholarship fund and two scholarships to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp will be awarded.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

52nd season at Mt. McSauba

Mt. McSauba kicked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cams to catch the snowboarders' action and more.

The official start of the season was Dec. 20. Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community-wide cause, call recreation director Ike Boss at 547-3253.

Visit www.mtsaubas.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nsa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Saturday Night Alive; fibromyalgia

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at Family of Faith located on 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix.

Call 547-4221 for more information; Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

TAI CHI CLASSES

The beginners class meets at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays at the Charlevoix Public Library, community room B. Intermediate class meets at 11 a.m. This course is open to all. Cost is \$12 for seniors and \$40 for those under 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 for more information.

Boyer City Tai Chi classes 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Wednesdays at Boyne district Library. Cost is \$12 for six weeks for seniors and \$40 for those 60 and younger.

A new six week Tai Chi Class session will begin in Boyne City on November 5, 2008.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

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547-9331, Boyne City Road, Charlevoix
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Must Present Coupon

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

• Saturdays at the Movies: Alice in Wonderland, 2 p.m., Jan. 10 - Stop by the library for a free showing of this fun holiday movie. Popcorn for all.

Tai Chi classes already in progress

Classes began Jan. 6 at the Charlevoix Public Library. Tai Chi classes will be held for six weeks.

The beginners class will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at the Charlevoix Public Library's Community Room B; The intermediate class meets at 11 a.m. Classes each last one hour and are open to all. Cost for seniors is \$12; \$40 for those 60 and younger. Call 237-0103 or (231) 582-7689 for more information. E-mail should be directed to megpots@global.net.

JAN. 21

Pre-diabetes education

The class costs \$25, but scholarships may be available. Pre-registration is required. If you have been told by your physician that you have pre-diabetes or have any of the listed risk factors, take the first step and attend a pre-diabetes class. For more information, or to sign up for one of the classes contact the Charlevoix Area Hospital Diabetes Education Department at (231) 547-8571.

JAN. 22

Witness for Life

From 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. join the "Witness for Life" at the corner of Bridge and Clinton Streets to recognize the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade (abortion decision). Call Marge Martin at 547-2401 for more information.

JAN. 24

Rug hooking class

From 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St., learn beginners rug hooking. Call 547-2333 to register.

Injection well issue

Local amateur TV producer, writer and director Rick Beemon's Alba injection well issue has been documented and will be shown on Charter Cable Channel 2 at the following times on Jan. 24:

- 11 a.m. - "Stop Alba Injection Well"
- 12:30 p.m. - FOI: Alba Injection Overview"
- 1 p.m. - "FOI: Dr. Timm - Bay Harbor"
- 2:30 p.m. - "FOI: Site Analysis"
- 3 p.m. - "FOI: Below the Surface"
- 3:30 p.m. - "FOI: State re. Basham"

JAN. 28

Business class

Join the "How To Start a Business Class" from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Jan. 28 at the

Boyer District Library.

For \$20, you will get the tools to learn how to start your own business. Call 582-6482 or e-mail sara@northernlakes.net to register

JAN. 29

Grand old convention

At 7:30 p.m., there will be a meeting of the duly elected precinct delegates and the at-large delegates to the county convention in the Charlevoix County Commissioners room, 203 Antrim St. Delegates and alternates will be elected for the Feb. 20 and 21 state convention in Lansing. Only precinct delegates elected at the Aug. 5, 2008 primary election, the last recent Republican nominees for county and state offices, and precinct delegates seated on a permanent basis at the August or November, 2008, county conventions will be seated and considered eligible to vote at this convention. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the Republican party is invited.

FEB. 2 THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower

level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mhines@cah.org.

FEB. 21

Mardi Gras Masquerade

From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Feb. 21, St. Mary School is hosting a fundraiser at Castle Farms with a costume contest, cash bar, mystery raffle, live entertainment and more.

Tickets, which cost \$30 per person are available at the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce and Castle Farms. Call 547-5111 for more information.

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

more information and to register

Event schedule:

- Jan. 29 - Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool
- Feb. 5 - Volunteer Monitoring: Programs and Results
- Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities
- March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers
- March 12 - Native Plants

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street

in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

WRITERS, NOVICE TO PROFESSIONAL WELCOME

Join the revamped writer's group for tips and support

All interested writers are welcome to attend the re-organization of the Charlevoix Public Library's Writers Group at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 26.

The Writers Group was originally established in the fall of 2006 and met on a weekly basis.

The core members have improved their writing, finished novels, written poetry, short stories, and published works over the last two years.

Current meetings include writer's sharing their work and receiving feedback and support from members with a focus on refining all types of writing skills.

Linda Adams, CPL Librarian will lead the group in re-organizing and refining their purpose.

This organizational meeting is for any writer who is or may want to take part in the future.

Discussion at this meeting will focus on the goals and interests of participants and what they would like the group to do at the regular meetings.

The group is considering splitting up into smaller segments based on type of writing to better address member needs.

Adams will also discuss future writing programs, author visits, and other writer's resources.

Jim McKinney, a professional screenwriter, will facilitate the weekly discussions.

McKinney has written many programs for television and feature films and has been published with Simon & Schuster.

There is no formal membership or fee to join the group. All are welcome.

For more information about this or other library programs, contact the information services desk at 237-7340.

ENTER THE READING RAINBOW ILLUSTRATORS CONTEST

Chance for young artists to compete

Encourage your child to develop a love and appreciation for books and reading: help them participate in the Fifteenth Annual "Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest!"

Kindergartners through third graders are invited to write and illustrate their own stories for submission in the "Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest." Entries will be accepted from now through March 15.

Rules and entry forms are available by calling WCMU at (800) 727-9268 or by visiting <http://wcmu.org/tv-reading>.

rainbow/rcontest.html

Each young writer will receive a certificate of achievement signed by "Reading Rainbow" host LeVar Burton. CMU Public Broadcasting will select first, second and third place winners in each of the four grade level categories. First place winners will be entered into the "National Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest" and become eligible for the national contest prizes.

"The 'Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest' is a wonderful way for children to experience creating a story from their imagination and then putting it into illustrations," says Charlotte Galgoc, WCMU's Ready To Learn Coordinator. "Whether it is some-

thing they have done before or for the first time, it can create a love for writing and drawing that may begin a life-long adventure in story writing."

For additional information about The 15th Annual "Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest," contact Charlotte Galgoc at (989) 774-3105 or galgoc@cmich.edu.



COURTESY PHOTO

Weaving fur into traditional clothing

Kris Edward Daman, Charlevoix area artist, has a lifelong interest in the fur trade, Native American artwork, and history. Mr. Daman's work will be on display in the Charlevoix Public Library's display case through the month of January. There is a cross section of art work that he produced and collected. His primary interest and work is in historic textiles, such as finger weaving, and recreating colonial period clothing. Examples of some leather working as well as different weaves and types of clothing are available. Mr. Daman has recreated the traditional hide tanning method of brain-tanning, in his leatherworking pieces. Mr. Daman endeavors to learn many of the old time arts and skills that have been lost or are rapidly disappearing. His goal is to pass along that knowledge to others through teaching and displays. If you are interested in displaying a unique collection or want more information about upcoming displays contact the information desk at the library, 237-7340.

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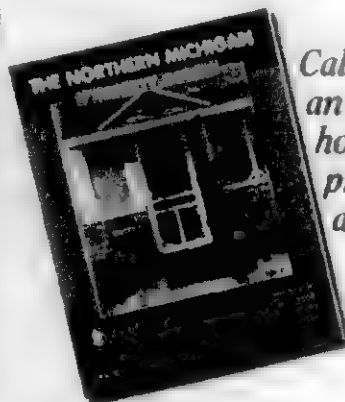


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Chamber awards warmed
hearts despite cold temp's
Charlevoix citizens recognized for their contributions

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Recipients of the Ambassador's Award are City of Charlevoix staff. Several members of the city, including (from left) city planner Mike Spencer, city manager Rob Straebel, mayor Norman Carlson Jr., city councilman Jill Picha, city councilman Dennis Kusina and city councilman Lyle Gennett. The staff received the award for their service to the community.

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Former Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater, insurance pro Jay Bingham and the city staff were lauded for their efforts during the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce's biggest celebration of the year.

According to Tom Conlan, who gave the state of the Chamber address, despite Michigan's current economic conditions, chamber membership remains strong.

"After all, the chamber really is our members, and tonight's attendees especially demon-

strate that the spirit of community service is alive and well in Charlevoix," Conlan said.

Chamber director Enn Bemis introduced the winners of the Ambassador's Award, the staff of the City of Charlevoix.

The award, which recognizes an individual or group

who promotes the spirit of the Charlevoix community and/or the chamber and its programs.

"I spent quite a bit of time considering this award and its meaning," Bemis said. "It embodies so many facets of life

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City council considers \$16 M budget

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Concerned over a potential \$87,000-plus deficit in the 2009-2010 budget, council members planned to discuss a slew of rev-

enue building and expenditure reduction options during their Jan. 27 meeting.

In the days leading up to the meeting, city manager Rob Straebel was adamant about keeping

a balanced budget.

"We recognize that there is deficit spending in the general fund and we have asked both department heads and city council to look strategically at prioritiz-

ing a list of projects that we may be able to delete or postpone in hopes of balancing the budget and the general fund," he said. "The

See BUDGET, page 3

Norwood Township
Planning Commission
remains at seven membersBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

While there seemed to be some question over just whose idea it was to slash the planning commission from seven to five members, the board ultimately voted overwhelmingly to maintain its current numbers.

The two seats currently held by Tom Mielke and Marilyn Maynard, which officially expired as of the first of this year, must be retained until they are reappointed or their replacements are found under the new

See NORWOOD, page 20



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Ride-In and warm up

Husband and wife Loren and Gina Purvis of Ironton take a break from helping to host the Charlevoix Snowmobile Club's annual Ride-In at Ferry Beach. Pictured with them is Gabby Milazzo; whose father was hard at work cooking for the crowds brave enough to face the frigid temperature.

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BIRTHS

Crumpler

Colin Anthony Wormell weighing 5 pounds, 15 ounces was born Jan. 18 to Anthony and Nicole Wormell of Boyne City. His sibling is Joshua. His grandparents are Debbie Erickson of Arlington, Tex., Jackie and Skip Hall, Denny and Ely Erickson, both of Boyne City and John and Linda Wormell of Petoskey. His great grandparents are Andy and Betty Andrick of Boyne City, Genny and the late William P. Brodin of Charlevoix.

Lela Josephine Clark weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces was born Jan. 9 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jason and Kari Clark of East Jordan. Her siblings are Mike and Starr. Her grandparents are Tim Kraemer of East Jordan, Rhonda Kraemer of Florida and Mason and Tina Clark from Central Lake. Her great grandparents are Carol and Lela Clark of Central Lake, Gary and Carolyn Nelson of Florida and Nancy Kingery of Ellsworth.

Owen Cash Crumpler weighing 10 pounds, 11 ounces was born Jan. 13 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Laura and Bowdie Crumpler of Boyne City. His sibling is Ayrianna. His grandparents are Kathy and Jerry Gilbert of North Port, Fla., Pam and Terry Crumpler of Boyne City, and Bob Cole of Cadillac. His great grandparents are Oma Mary Lake of Northport, Fla., Lois Cinco of Cadillac, Carol Taylor and Elanore Real of Kingsman, and the late Bud and Ruth Handy and Charlie

Maangashkaa Selena Lesky weighing 8 pounds, 9 ounces was born Jan. 10 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Matthew and Cheryl Lesky of Petoskey. Her grandparents are Gary and Lynne Lesky of Petoskey, Joni Sanchez-Dishman and Craig Dishman of Mio, and Mitchell Kishigo of Petoskey. Her great grandparents are Francisco and Patricia Sanchez of Portland, Mich., and Blanche Lesky and Gerry Pung of Edmore, Mich.

Gabrielle Cecilia Peters weighing 8 pounds, 8 ounces was born Jan. 9 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Howard and Desiree Peters of Central Lake. Her grandparents are Gail Straight of Central Lake, Mark Straight of Alba and Howard and Valerie Peters of Mancelona. Her great grandparents are Mary Ann Turner and Donna Leski both of Mancelona.

Riley Elizabeth Roberts weighing 3 pounds, 13 ounces was born Jan. 9 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Sara Anne Testa and Robert Thomas Roberts III of East Jordan. Her grandparents are Jo Anne Testa, Pamela Roberts both of East Jordan and William Jasper Parmer of Denver, Colo. Her great grandparents are Kris Weisler, Diane Roberts both of East Jordan and Donald Parmer from Ohio.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Alexander Dale Houle, 18, Boyne City. Operating with no license/multiple licenses. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Ashlyn Marie Forman, 18, Boyne City. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Jason Ray Masserant, 26, Boyne City. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$250 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Erica Jean Tewksbury, 25, Petoskey. Attempted resisting and obstructing; operating while intoxicated. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 40 days in jail; 303 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$2,374.38 in fines and costs.

Brian Richard Coon, 26, Boyne City. Use of marijuana. Credit for 19 days in jail; to serve 71 days in jail; \$500 in fines and costs.

Robert Arcine Mullen, 43, Lansing. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Brian Thomas Kuhs, 31, Boyne City. Operating a motor vehicle without security. Pay \$315 in fines and costs.

Teen arrested in Charlevoix High vandalism case

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

Authorities in Charlevoix have arrested a Charlevoix teen in connection with a vandalism done to a Charlevoix High School building trades class project house in May 2008.

Austin Wilhelm, 19, turned himself in and was arraigned, Tuesday on charges of breaking and entering with intent and malicious destruction to a building, \$1,000-\$20,000. The charges are ten and five-year felonies respectively.

He was released from custody after posting a \$2,000 bond and is scheduled to face a preliminary examination on the charges at 3 p.m. on Feb. 3.

The charges stem from an incident that took place on or about May 20, 2008 at the construction technology class project house in which paint was splashed throughout the building and spray paint was also applied to the walls.

When completed, the house was destined to become the Mums and Tots Center in Ellsworth which serves mothers and children in need.

Authorities said the cost to repair the damage was about \$4,500.

Police said Wilhelm was a member of the construction technology class, that he was one of the two students who found the damage on May 21. Police said a finger print found on the window sill police believe was used to gain entry to the building during the crime was a match to Wilhelm and that paint found both on pants Wilhelm wore to school on May 21 and paint found on clothes at his home while he was still at school all matched paint used to damage the project building.

Charlevoix County Chief Assistant Prosecutor Shaynee Fanara said the long delay

in issuing the charges was a result of waiting for the lab work that matched the paint evidence.

Wilhelm's defense attorney, Mary Beth Kur said in a written statement, "I truly believe that they have the wrong person here and I don't say this on every case. I would also say that Austin and his family are looking forward to having their day in court and that they believe that when all of this is flushed out, he will be exonerated."

Steve Zucker can be reached by e-mail at zucker@petoskeynews.com.



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CORRECTION

Due to reporter error, it was incorrectly stated in the Jan. 21 article on the Charlevoix Public Schools' budget that the schools could face a \$1.7 million shortfall. The correct dollar amount should have read: Between \$800,000 and \$1 million.

Due to reporter error, it was stated in the Jan. 21 edition of the Charlevoix Courier that Charlevoix Rayder Clay Heise was Corey Heise. The athlete's correct name is Clay Heise. We apologize for the confusion.

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CHARLEVOIX COURIER 3

Group working to protect quality of life

The Little Traverse Conservancy is announcing that in 2008, a total of 34 projects encompassing 3,629 acres and more than seven miles of water frontage were protected throughout its five-county service area.

"The Conservancy's work continues to represent a solid investment in the future of northern Michigan," said Tom Bailey, executive director for Little Traverse Conservancy.

"The values of our homes and cottages, along with the prosperity of our cities and towns, and the viability of our farms, are enhanced by ensuring that land conservation in our region keeps pace with land development, protecting the scenery, natural areas, and wildlife that are the foundation for our tourist-resort industries and our quality of life."

Some of the Charlevoix County land protection highlights for

2008 included the following:

- The Conservancy purchased a 52-acre property (see above) along the Jordan River. The protected land lies adjacent to the existing Rogers Family Homestead Nature Preserve, providing for a total of 138 contiguous protected acres.

- An 11-acre nature preserve was created in Melrose Township.

- The development rights to 23 acres along US-31 in Hayes Township were purchased to protect the scenic highway frontage between Charlevoix and Petoskey.

- Karen Verlinde sold an 8-acre undeveloped property on Susan Lake at a highly discounted price so it could become a nature preserve.

Environmental education continues to be a vital component of the Conservancy's work. Pro-

grams are offered to foster connections between our human and natural communities.

During 2008, more than 5,100 young people participated in seasonal environmental education programs. Programs involve a wide variety of topics ranging from pond study to orienteering. Summer programs included a Knee-High series (for 3-6 year olds) as well as a Young Naturalist series.

(for 7-12 year olds). Conservancy staff offered an Adventures in the Outdoors course through the College for Kids program sponsored by the Charlevoix-Emmet

Intermediate School District. Throughout the year, four community field trips were offered each season at various nature preserves or other protected properties.

Little Traverse Conservancy

is a key partner in the newly formed Emmet County "Getting Kids Outdoor" initiative, inspired by the national No Child Left Inside movement. This initiative is a collaborative venture of approximately a dozen community members representing nine different fields including conservation, education, business, and health. The mission of the group is to build a community that embraces and promotes getting kids outdoors as part of a healthy lifestyle.

The stewardship of Conservancy-protected land involves annually monitoring the 204 private properties that are protected with conservation easements. These properties encompass more than 18,000 acres. In addition, the Conservancy is responsible for the permanent caretaking of 210 nature preserve properties that encompass more than 11,400

acres. A volunteer corps of more than 100 individuals assists the organization with nature preserve monitoring and trail maintenance and several Work Day events were held at preserves during the field season.

The following provides just a few examples of the stewardship work in Charlevoix County completed throughout 2008 and the critical role of volunteers for the organization:

- With the help of Eagle Scout Isaac Lambert and other volunteers, a new parking area and trail system were completed at the Rogers Family Homestead Nature Preserve on the Jordan River, just outside of East Jordan.

- A joint Open House was held at the Susan Creek Nature Preserve with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

- Trails were established and a

new parking area created at the Nathan "Barry" Driggers Nature Preserve on the Charlevoix-Boyne City Road.

The Little Traverse Conservancy has been working as the oldest regional, non-profit land trust in Michigan. With the support of more than 4,100 members, the Little Traverse Conservancy works with private landowners and units of local government to voluntarily and permanently protect ecologically significant and scenic lands from development. Since it was founded, more than 39,000 acres and 105 miles of shoreline along our region's lakes, rivers, and streams have been set aside to remain in their natural state within Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Mackinac, and Chippewa counties. For more information about the Conservancy, call (231) 347-0991 or visit www.landtrust.org.

Deadline to file for school board seat closing
Two seats on Charlevoix schools board of education

BENJAMIN GOHS, EDITOR

The current seats of Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education members Dean Spenceley and Christine Michaud are soon to expire.

While both intend to run again, the public is welcome to file by the 4 p.m., Feb. 10 deadline to run for the positions.

"Win, lose or draw, I'm going to stay a part of it," Spenceley said.

"If everything goes well I'll still be on the board, if not, I'll be in the crowd making sure everyone understands what is going on with the board."

No one had filed and Michaud could not be reached by press time.

Both Spenceley and Michaud were elected to the board for the first time nearly four years ago.

"There are so many times where

it is hard to enjoy what you are doing that you have to get your own gratification out of it," Spenceley said. "It seems like a lot of what we are doing is taking hours away from somebody or taking a job away from somebody, and in such a small town it always seems like it is someone you know."

But, Spenceley added, "We have to make the tough decisions. Our top priority is education. We are

here for our kids, and in my mind, I feel we have made the right decisions in the past couple years."

Despite the economy and cuts which have been made, Spenceley said Charlevoix schools and staff remain the best around.

"We will continue to work to make Charlevoix the place where people want to move, where jobs will come," he said. "They are certainly top notch."

Spenceley also thanked Charlevoix schools superintendent Chet Janik for his effort in getting the bond measure passed.

"He made people understand the bond issue," he said. "He made them see what it would do for the school district."

Spenceley added, "Getting that bond issue passed is one of the things I'm proudest of."

School board position ap-

plications are available at the Charlevoix County Clerk's office (call 547-7200) for more information.

Council seeks to balance budget

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sound management philosophies we adhere to include keeping a reserve balance in the general fund."

Straebel added, "With the current economic times, we're looking to have a reserve in the 18 to 20-percent range."

Results of the meeting were not available by press time. The proposed 2009-2010 budget amount of \$16,501,000 was a stark decrease from last year's \$18,500,000.

Straebel said he understands any tax increases could increase the strain on those already squeezed by the state of the economy—Charlevoix's latest unemployment numbers according to the Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth, have hit 12.9 percent—however, the city did increase water, sewer and electrical taxes by four, six and three percent respectively.

"We had a study done by an independent consultant looking at revenues needed for future capital improvements in water, sewer and electric," Straebel said.

"We're looking to maintain sufficient annual future replacement costs of capital improvements and sufficient fund balances for aging infrastructure."

And, Straebel added, a slight increase now will afford the city to save taxpayers money down the road.

"As technology increases, we get longer life span out of infrastructure," he said. "We have antiquated lines. Also, we are looking to develop a looped system so if you have any problems in the water line you can still get adequate water flow to certain sections."

In addition to finishing the trout stream in East Park, the city has eight proposals which will seek federal funds.

"There were three street, water and sewer drainage projects including improvements to Park Avenue, State Street and Clinton Street; there was a proposal to follow up on the energy audit we had done in 2008 to create more efficient buildings through improvements in lighting ... upgrades to our heating and cool-

ing systems," Straebel said. "One proposal dealt with installation of new LED lights at the municipal airport for things such as runways, taxi-ways, parking lights and general facility lighting."

He added, "We could save as much as 30 to 40 percent on our electrical usage."

Other proposals include new airport hangars, upgrading the electrical circuits at the industrial park and expanding the proposed fiber optic network to the benefit of local businesses and organizations.

Straebel vowed to remain committed to a "pay-as-you-go" philosophy on spending.

"The logical strategy is earmarking funds for future large capital improvement projects so we don't have to purchase bonds to pay for those large expenses," he said. "The upshot for the citizens of Charlevoix is that they're not paying huge amounts of interest—which can easily double the actual cost of the project."

Straebel added, "I think it's a sound and reasonable approach to

long-term financial management of the city."

In addition to a decrease in expenditures from the previous fiscal year, Charlevoix will receive a 4.4 percent bump in property tax revenue from the state.

"In relative terms, looking at the economic conditions and some of the dire predictions coming from other governmental organizations, I think we're going to be doing fine with the City of Charlevoix," Straebel said. "I'm confident we can remain financially solvent and financially healthy, not only this year, but many years into the future."

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EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

An ad in a recent New York Times shows a map of Gaza co-zed up to the shore of New York and asks the question, "What if Hamas was in your neighborhood?" The ad encouraged a thought or two about understanding a distant problem by making it local.

Suppose that some years ago James Strang's dream of a Beaver Island empire had become real.

If the population of Beaver Island were as dense as that in Gaza, the island would

currently house 750,000 people.

That's right; Gaza has about twice the area of Beaver Island and houses one and a half million people. That nearby island would be a considerable force in the area.

Suppose further that the population of Beaver Island still holds some seriously ill feelings toward the mainland people, and has begun to fire a dozen or so explosive rockets daily toward Charlevoix, Good Hart and Cross Village.

Most of the rockets don't cause much damage, but one did crash through the roof of Northwest Academy on a weekend.

It destroyed a classroom, but no one was injured.

The rockets are being imported from Canada by boat and there seems to be a nearly unlimited supply.

A few times each summer a boat from Beaver Island, loaded with explosives, sneaks in through the channel and is blown up in Round Lake, causing some disruption of the tourist season.

Suppose even further that the radio and TV messages from Beaver Island proclaimed that they will not rest until Charlevoix and even Michigan are completely destroyed and that we have all been forced to move to another part of the world.

We know in this scenario that most of the good citizens of Beaver Island are peaceful, but quite a few of them want us dead or gone.

Given those circumstances, I wonder how interested we would be in a peaceful solution to the Beaver Island problem? I'm pretty sure we would call on the coast guard, the Michigan

National Guard and even the U.S. Army and Air Force in an effort to stop the rockets and the suicide boats.

We would not be able to attack Canada, even though they are the source of the rockets and explosives. Might we be forced to agree that the only way to stop the rockets and explosives is to cause enough damage to Beaver Island that no one there can continue to fire at us?

The scenario played out in the previous paragraphs is of course not very realistic, but it does help me to see clearly the point of view of the people of Israel. I am certainly not a fan of war as a solution to international problems, but there do seem to be times when violence works.

It worked when Israel invaded Lebanon to stop the rockets being fired from

WEEKLY POLL

If you had to choose how to cut spending in order to avoid Charlevoix Public Schools' 2009/2010 potential million-dollar shortfall, would you reduce spending on:

Administration (119 Votes, 81%)

Staff (18 Votes, 12%)

Academics (10 Votes, 7%)

This week's poll question:

If you had to rate the openness of your local government, would you describe them as:

Post Adequate, Excellent

there

Maybe it will work again.

Then again, maybe the best we could hope for is a shaky

cease fire agreed to by both sides, and maybe somewhat fewer rockets each day. What could we do?

FOIA requests are not scarlet letters

There is no place in open government for municipal murk.

When township supervisor Frank E. Hamilton made the Nov. 25, 2008, decision—without board approval—to request a hearing on a settlement issue be postponed; when he told a judge one reason for postponement was to hire different counsel 10 days before the board met to discuss and make that decision, he was not engaging in open government.

Worse yet is the betrayal of trust by at least two board members and their new Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA) Coordinator Sadie Bartosik—who resigned from the same position in years past for failing to do her job correctly.

Bartosik, following Norwood Township Clerk Dana Pajtas' branchchild, and under

the watchful eye of Hamilton, read the names of all who had requested documents under the FOIA and the materials for which they had requested for the last 30 days.

We interpret this act as a public "shame on you" by the board members involved.

While it is true one may request such records, we fail to see the value of this scheme; but rather see it as an intimidation tactic.

It seems as though the words "freedom of information" are lost on certain township officials; especially when considering the request of the two-page Pajtas resignation letter from a Norwood citizens group; a letter which hung on the wall of the township hall at the Dec. 15 meeting.

It took an act of interven-

tion by the township's interim attorney to finally fulfill the citizen's request—22 days to get two pages of public documentation.

The only governmental transparency we see is the apparent disdain some members of this new board have for their own constituents.

However, no list of transgressions would be complete without mention of township business items absent from agendas.

For instance, the closed-session meeting of Dec. 20—a Saturday, no less—included the item "unrelated business" on the agenda.

Board members discussed several matters, but attendees were left scratching their collective heads as to what this "unrelated" agenda item was unrelated.

Neither was the FOIA roll call proclamation listed on

the agenda.

Hamilton answered each of Charlevoix Courier's charges with no comment—a move we found appropriate, since the aforementioned actions are indefensible.

And, in light of the preceding, we find it apropos that the majority of the board decided not to adopt its own code of ethics despite being advised to do so by civil counsel.

Consider this your notice, you board members who choose to skirt ethics: Township government is not a dictatorship; it is not a stone upon which to grind your personal ax; it is not a banana republic; nor private club—it is a tool intended to ensure the orderly operation of civilization.

LETTERS to the editor

APPRECIATIVE IN CHARLEVOIX

Editor:

Thank you for your condolences at the time of Ray Sloan's death.

We miss him dearly.

I send heartfelt thanks to

all my friends for the many thoughts, cards, gifts, visits and particularly your prayers during my confinement since August.

With God's help, I will continue to improve.

Marian Sloan

LETTERS POLICY

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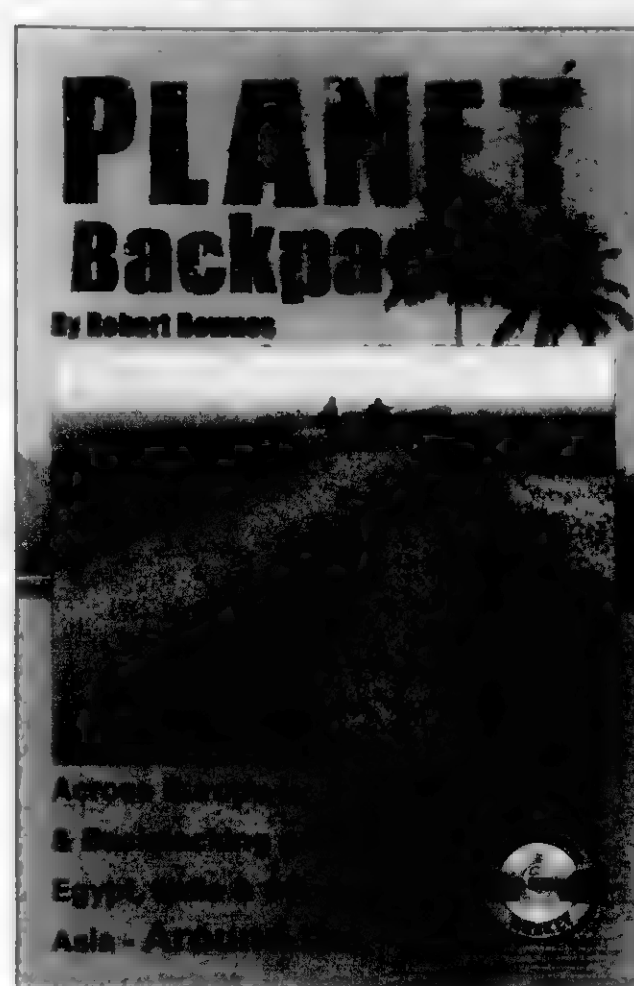
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COURTESY PHOTO

Planet Backpacker by Robert Downes.

Go for it while you can

Through the years, Bob Downes has backpacked through more than 45 countries, with destinations ranging from the supercities of the Third World to the heart of the American wilderness. His journey was a return to a "parallel world" which he calls Planet Backpacker. "During my earliest travels as a teenager, I became aware that there is an alternative world of gypsy travelers paralleling our own," he said. "You would seldom—if ever—meet them in the ordinary world, but as soon as you hit the road, the portals would open, revealing the oddest people, along with young adventurers heading for distant horizons. It's not a Twilight Zone or a parallel dimension, but an actual world that escapes the notice

of those who stay put. It's an 'other' reality." The doorways into this parallel world include such backpacker crossroads as Amsterdam, Khao San Road in Bangkok, and the beach towns of Goa. Downes files reports from these vortices and delves into the portals of new hot-spots for the nomadic set, including Mumbai, the beaches of Kerala in southern India, and the market town of Ho An in Vietnam. Looking ahead, he sees many new destinations on the horizon, including another trip around the world with his wife Jeannette and the possibility of other travel adventure books. "Like Jim Morrison said of this life: 'No one here gets out alive.' That's why you've got to go for it while you can."

Warning: Planet Backpacker may jump-start your wanderlust

You could say I'm a little biased when it comes to Bob Downes.



THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

After all, he gave me my first paying gig in the writing game—And, of the half-dozen or so publications I did freelance work for later on, his Traverse City publication The Northern Express paid the most.

Nevertheless, I'm not one for blind testimonials—no matter how grateful I am—which is why, when I got the release stating Downes had written a travel book entitled "Planet Backpacker," I had to give it a read before just signing off.

I've got to say that I was totally unprepared for the candor, humor and adventure Downes managed to pen.

From flying monkey gods and amorous donkeys to tales of a bus caravan speeding through terrorist

infested desert, Downes puts you right there with him. If you've ever traveled to England, Egypt, Ireland or Southeast Asia, you will appreciate the adventure of a lone American pursuing his dream to travel "round the world in one shot."

Heck, even if you're like me and hyperventilate at the mere thought of crossing state lines, you'll find yourself considering taking a trip somewhere, anywhere.

Part of Downes' plan was to explore the places your seven or 10-day vacationer doesn't have the time, or inclination, to visit. And that rogue spirit comes through loud and clear like a bout with intestinal bacteria on the shores of the Nile River.

"Planet Backpacker" holds nothing back and is not for the faint of heart. It is a real story about a real man and his lifelong dream to see the unseen.

More than a mere catalogue of destinations, "Planet Backpacker" is a primer for the youngster eager to travel abroad before starting college; it is a battle cry for the middle-aged American refugee locked in the drudgery of daily routine. From the pages of "Planet Backpacker" Downes is scream-

ing that there is more to this life than the dreary 9 to 5 existence.

He shares the sheer joy of biking through Ireland and backpacking across East Europe.

His enthusiasm for new experiences is such that you think Downes might grab you, shake you and ask you why you're reading instead of packing for the next adventure ... but then you realize he's too busy trying to focus his camera on the pack mule, who just happens to be in heat and carrying a fellow traveler through the desert—You'll just have to pick up a copy of the book to see the picture.

According to Downes, backpacking around the world is the last epic adventure an average person

can enjoy, and judging by the tales of his five-month journey through places like Galway, Cairo, Budapest and Vietnam, an excellent adventure surely was had.

To hear about Downes' travels from the man himself, be sure to attend the "Pizza & a Program" at 6:30 p.m., Feb. 4 at Boyne Country Books.

Downes will discuss his homage to Jack Kerouac, who wrote the beat odyssey about his travels across America entitled "On the Road."

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BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

For those in need of everything from toiletries, food, information and even chair massages, your proverbial ship has come in.

This second annual program is being brought to the Charlevoix-Emmet area by the Homeless Continuum of Care work group, the Charlevoix-Emmet Human Services Coordinating Body and The Char-Em United Way.

"It's not just an information fair," said Char-Em United Way Executive Director Martha Lancaster. "People will actually be able to get services and assistance from Michigan Works, Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency,

help with filing income tax, tetanus shots, a variety of health screenings, food and personal care items."

Scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Feb. 5 at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Charlevoix Ave. in Petoskey, Project Connect is being billed as a place for those in need to get services without the traditional run-around.

More than 40 non-profits, businesses and service providers will attend.

And, Lancaster said, with today's economy, there should be quite the turnout.

"Last year we planned for 150 people and had over 450 attend," she said. "This year we are planning for 600 people to attend, and we'll see."

Anyone interested in donating time, products, services or money should call (231) 487-1006.

The deadline for donations or volunteer sign-up is Jan. 30.

"This is free to anyone who feels a need for these services," Lancaster said. "No proof of income is required."

Lancaster said there has been a dramatic increase in the need for all services since the economy began slowing.

"What we're seeing is a lot of people who have never needed help before who suddenly are with economic concerns and don't know what to do," she said. "This will be a place for them to find help in one area without a lot of run-around."



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Royalty crowned

Charlevoix High School senior Chantel Novotny (from left) was crowned 2009 Winterfest queen and Logan Smith was crowned king during half-time at Friday's girls basketball game, climaxing a week of Winterfest activities at the school.

One smart cook-ie

Jennifer Dean of Charlevoix, Michigan was awarded L'Art de la Pâtisserie at The French Pastry School on Friday, Dec. 19, 2008. Dean was one of approximately 70 graduates at The French Pastry School, City Colleges of Chicago. Dean earned her L'Art de la Pâtisserie 24-week Pastry and Baking Program and plans to seek employment in the greater Chicago area after graduation. She graduated from Charlevoix High School in 2001 and is the daughter of Steven and Janet Dean of Charlevoix. Established in 1995, The French Pastry School is owned and operated by internationally acclaimed pastry chefs Jacques Pfeiffer and Sébastien Canonne. M.O.F. The French Pastry School offers instruction based on the art of baking.



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Jennifer Dean receives L'Art de la Pâtisserie award.

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It pays to 'bee' a good speller

On Jan. 14, St. Mary School of Charlevoix held their Scripps National Spelling Bee. Fifth- and sixth-graders participated in this event. The overall winner was Michael Nesburg; Kourtney Putman, who took second place; and Bia Ramalho, who took third. Fifth-grade medals went to Nesburg with first place, Noah Dvoracek with second and Montana Thompson with third. Sixth-grade medals went to Putman with first place, Ramalho with second and Ryan Joy with third. Pictured are (from right) Nesburg, Putman and Ramalho.



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Guild furthering education through grants

Carol Starks of the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild scholarship committee hands hospital president, Bill Jackson, a check for \$12,000 which the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild has given to the hospital foundation for scholarship recipients and for continuing education for hospital employees.

WEDDING announcement

The beach of St. George Island, Florida was the setting for the spring wedding of Katie B. Grausam and Joshua J. Picotte. The May 18, 2008 nuptials were performed in the presence of the bride and groom's immediate families.

The bride is the daughter of Marty and Julie Grausam of Grand Rapids, and the groom is the son of William and Diane Picotte of Charlevoix.

Katie and Josh spent a week with their families on the island, and then flew to Oregon and Washington for their honeymoon.

They are both graduates of Michigan State University, and currently are making their home in Tallahassee, Florida. Katie is completing her master's degree at Florida State University in neuroscience. Josh completed his master's degree at Portland State University in biology, and is employed as a GIS fire analyst with Tall Timbers Research Station and Land Conservancy in Tallahassee.



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Grausam-Picotte

What's happening at the Library this week?

Ask the Tech Guy
Thursday, January 29, 10:00 - noon
Bring your computer and your questions for one on one time with the library's technology assistant, Roger Gowell.

Story Time
Thursday, January 29, 10:30 am
Birthdays

Game Rooms
Fridays, 3:00 - 4:45 pm
Grades 5 - 7

Try out one of the new games. Need for Speed I, Ridge Racer II or Crash Bandicoot. Teamwork or go back to the trust and true of Guitar Hero or DDR - the choice is yours!

Computer Boot Camp
Monday, February 2, 10:30 - noon
If you've taken a computer class and will feel like a beginner, drop in to our computer camp on Monday mornings for support and encouragement.

Open Mic Night
Thursday, February 5, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

Writers Group
Monday, February 2, 6:00 pm
Organizational meeting for the group to define its purpose and needs. All writers welcome. Published or unpublished.

Books with a Bite: Cryptid Hunters, by Roland Smith
Twelve Book Club - grades 5 - 7
Tuesday, February 3, 4:45 - 5:45 pm
Join other kids for a lively discussion of Mr. Smith's action-packed jungle adventure about teens trapped in the complete jungle looking for dinosaurs and discovering truths about their complicity.

Travel & Adventure Series: Pedaling through Africa
Tuesday, February 3, 7:00 pm
Kern Finkelson will describe her own month adventure of bicycling through Africa from Cairo to Cape Town.

Open Mic Night
Thursday, February 5, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

Need a good idea for a birthday gift? Buy a "Birthday Book" from Round Lake Bookstore. You (or your gift recipient) will receive a personalized birthday book sticker to affix to the book and when you are done reading it, donate it to the library and we will add it to the library's collection in the recipient's honor.

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OBITUARIES

A. Rose Bergmann: June, 7 1916 - January 18, 2009

A. Rose Bergmann, 92, of Charlevoix, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Her funeral was at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Harold E. Kruse officiating.

Burial will take place in the Undine Cemetery in Hayes Township.

Rose was born June 7, 1916, in Bassano, Alberta, Canada, to John W. and Annie Pearl (Morden) Tegerdine.

She graduated from Oak Park-River Forest High School in Illinois in 1935, and moved to Michigan in 1937.

On Feb. 1, 1938, she married Frederick A. "Ted" Bergmann, and he preceded her in death

in 1990.

Rose was a member of the Ironton Congregational Church, and had been a member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix where she was a circle president.

She was a member of the Charlevoix Senior Citizens. Rose was Charlevoix Township Treasurer for thirty-seven years, retiring in 1987; was state representative for the Michigan Township Association, and had served on the Charlevoix Regional Planning Commission.

Some of the programs that were developed while she served on the Township Board were: New Township Hall, Shanahan Field Recreational Area, Water and Sewer Sys-

tems on the north and south sides of Charlevoix Township, and the Charlevoix Township Fire Department.

Rose loved to knit sweaters, hats, and mittens for her many children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and she seldom lost a game of Scrabble. She also enjoyed sewing, reading and making wine cakes.

Rose lived in Cheboygan for a short time where she served as Lay Pastor at a Cheboygan Church during World War II. Since 2003, she's resided at the Eastport Village Care Home.

She is survived by her children, F. Bruce (Sue) Bergmann of Moran, Lois (Paul) Michelin of Newberry, Doug (Louise) Bergmann, Charles (Sheryl) Bergmann, Jack

(Sherrel) Bergmann all of Charlevoix; James (Eileen) Bergmann of Richfield, Ohio; Kenneth (Sue) Bergmann of Alanson; 18 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and Claire Bergmann of Lewiston, ME. Rose's brothers, Maxwell, G.M. "Rex", Wilbert, and Ronald Tegerdine; sisters, Aletha Arnold, and Alma Kramm; and daughter-in-law, Diana Bergmann preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Charlevoix Township Recreation Field Fund, Ironton Congregational Church or to the charity of your choice.

Visitation was from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.



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Future of Education

Jamie Whitley, a former student teacher at Charlevoix High School, who now teaches in Petoskey, received a \$127 grant from the MEEMIC Foundation for the Future of Education in a presentation at Charlevoix High School yesterday. Whitley was one of 19 recipients. Her program was chosen for its innovativeness, enhancement of current curriculum and ability to impact the lives of her students in a meaningful way. Pictured are (from left) Gary Lesky, local MEEMIC Insurance Company agent, Whitley and Charlevoix High School science teacher Tom Shultz.

OBITUARY PLACEMENT

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Make Time to Worship

Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 87291 M-66 North Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Michael A. ... 547-6430	ELLSWORTH WESLEYAN CHURCH Corner of Elm & Park • Ellsworth Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace ... 548-7455
BAIRD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Elbow Road Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Michael Mauer ... 547-2167	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 281 E. Upright Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Michael Ayr ... 547-4221
BELLEVUE REFORMED CHURCH 8031 Church Road, Bellevue Worship 10:00 a.m. Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 1444 Grand Street from Post Office Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Church Office ... 547-4121
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH 11906 US-31 North Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Michael L. Inouche ... 547-9446	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BAYSHIRE US 31 North Worship 10:30 a.m.
BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 95855 M-66 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: James D. Givens ... 547-6190	FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 101 State St. (At Park Ave.) Worship 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Tuesday 10:15 a.m. Church Office ... 547-9122
CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 104 Main Street Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Todd Blumpp ... 547-2654 or 547-6190	FREEDOM HOUR 1205 S. 15th St. Senior Leader: Paul Bradley ... 237-0089
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Main Street at Clinton Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Office ... 547-6322	GOLDEN RULE SPIRITUAL CHURCH 87444 Old U.S. 31 North Pastor: Rev. C. Allen ... 547-3894
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 205 Clinton Street Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Reading Room: Wednesday 7:30-8:30 p.m.	GREENSBORO HILL INDIAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Old U.S. 31 North Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Timothy Wright ... 547-6190
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 1421 N. Main Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Michael Bobbins ... 547-6190	LEIGHTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 1444 Howard Street Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Michael C. Smith ... 547-6190
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 12023 Waller Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31) Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Dan Gilmore ... 547-3771	WORKWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Workwood Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Michael Mauer ... 547-6190
COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD 20 W. Main Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Neil Turner ... 547-2875	PETOSKEY SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH 1444 Howard Street Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Doreen ... 237-3476
COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH Hers 31 & Meach • Charlevoix Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Neil Turner ... 547-6482	SALT LAKE CHURCH 1001 Bridge Street Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Carol ... 547-6482
REFORMED CHURCH 9323 Main St. PO Box 217 • Ellsworth Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Carl Almon ... 548-7455	TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH Corner Michigan & Washington Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Lynn ... 547-6482

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Beware of Salmonella in certain peanut butter products

The Michigan Department of Agriculture has announced an ongoing recall of various products containing peanut butter which may contain Salmonella.

What is salmonellosis?

Salmonellosis is an infection with bacteria called Salmonella. Most persons infected with Salmonella develop diarrhea, fever, and abdominal cramps 12 to 72 hours after infection. The illness usually lasts 4 to 7 days, and most persons recover without treatment. However, in some persons, the diarrhea may be so severe that the patient needs to be hospitalized. In these patients, the Salmonella infection may spread from the intestines to the blood stream, and then to other body sites and can cause death unless the person is treated promptly with antibiotics. The elderly, infants, and those with impaired immune systems are more likely to have a severe illness.

How can Salmonella infections be treated?

Salmonella infections usually resolve in 5-7 days and often do not require treatment other than oral fluids. Persons with severe diarrhea may require rehydration with intravenous fluids. Antibiotics, such as ampicillin, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, or ciprofloxacin, are not usually necessary unless the infection spreads from the intestines. Some Salmonella bacteria have become resistant to antibiotics, largely as a result of the use of antibiotics to promote the growth of food animals.

Consumer Advice

FDA recommends that consumers avoid eating products that have been recalled and discard them. Because identification of products subject to recall is continuing, the FDA urges consumers to postpone eating commercially-prepared or manufactured peanut butter-containing products and institutionally-served peanut butter until further information becomes available about which products may be affected. Efforts to specifically identify those products are ongoing. At this time, there is no indication that any national name brand jars of peanut butter sold in retail stores are linked to the PCA recall.

Visit www.charlevoixcourier.com for the full list of recalled items.
Visit the department of agriculture's Web site www.fda.gov for updates on the recall.

situation

For Retailers

Stop selling recalled products.
For Directors of Institutions and Food Service Establishments.
Ensure that they are not serving recalled products.

Michigan Department of Agriculture January 22, 2009 1:00 PM UPDATE:

Products not believed to be associated with outbreak

Mars Products - see company press release at: <http://www.mars.com/global/News+and+Media/Mars+News.htm>

National name brand jars of peanut butter sold in retail stores.

Girl Scout Cookies - see press release at: http://www.girlscouts.org/news/news_releases/2009/girl_scout_cookies.asp

Michigan Related Recalls
Pet food
PetSmart
Great Choice® Dog Biscuit products that contain peanut paste.

The recalled products include only the following types of Great Choice Dog Biscuits sold between Aug. 21, 2008 and Jan. 19, 2009:

- Small Assorted 32 oz. UPC 73725702900
- Small/Medium Assorted 4 lb. UPC 73725700601
- Small/Medium Assorted 8 lb. UPC 73725700605
- Small/Medium Assorted 10 lb. UPC 73725702755
- Large Assorted 8 lb. UPC 73725700638
- Extra Large Assorted 8 lb. UPC 73725700779
- Peanut Butter 4 lb. UPC 73725700766

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Customers who purchased the recalled dog biscuit products should discontinue use immediately and can return the product to any PetSmart store for a complete refund or exchange. Customers can visit www.petSMARTfacts.com for more information or contact PetSmart Customer Service at (888) 839-9638.

NON-RETAIL FOOD SALES

King Nut

All peanut butter with lot codes beginning with "8" Peanut Corporation of Amer.

recall

None of the peanut butter being recalled is sold directly to consumers through retail stores by PCA. The recalled peanut butter in the expanded recall is sold by PCA in bulk packaging in containers ranging in size from five to 1,700 pounds. The peanut paste is sold in sizes ranging from 35-pound containers to tanker containers. The lot numbers for all recalled products are at the end of this news release. All of the peanut butter and peanut paste in the expanded recall was made on or after July 1, 2008, and only at the Georgia facility. The Blakely, Georgia facility has currently stopped producing all products.

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Customers should segregate and hold the product and call PCA at (877) 564-7080 for further instructions. The following is a list of all the products affected by the original recall and the amended recall.

PCA Stock #, Pack Size Description Affected:

- 551000, 6 ct / 5 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551000 AZ, 6 ct / 5 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter with Sugar
- 551006, 6 ct / 5 lb Crunchy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551020, 35 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551032, 35 lb Crunchy Natural Peanut Butter
- 551040, 35 lb Creamy Natural Peanut Butter
- 551049, 50 lb Sugar Free Creamy Stabilized

Peanut Butter

- 551050, 50 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551050-PO, 50 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter with Palm Oil
- 551050-D, 50 lb Dark Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551050-XS, 50 lb Creamy Extra Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551051, 50 lb Creamy Stabilized Peanut Butter with Monodiglyceride
- 551053, 50 lb Crunchy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551053-0, 50 lb Extra Crunchy Stabilized Peanut Butter
- 551059, 475 lb Creamy Natural Peanut Butter with Stabilizer
- 551060, 35 lb Organic Natural Creamy Peanut Butter
- 551061, 35 lb Organic Old Fashioned Crunchy Peanut Butter
- 551062, 35 lb Organic Crunchy Natural Peanut Butter
- 551063, 35 lb Organic Old Fashioned Creamy Peanut Butter
- 551064, 35 lb Organic Natural Creamy Peanut Butter
- 551072, 45 lb Peanut Butter Variety Pack
- 551080, 475 lb Creamy Natural Redskin Peanut Butter with Salt

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- 551082, 475 lb Creamy Natural Peanut Butter
- 551082-DR, 475 lb Dark Roasted Creamy Natural Peanut Butter
- 551090, 35 lb Pet Food Paste
- 551090, 475 lb Feed Grade Peanut Butter
- 1001PASTE, 1700 lb

Creamy Natural Peanut Butter

• RM-PASTE, 1700 lb Peanut Paste
LOT NUMBERS AFFECTED:
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Disposal Advice:

Customers who received any products affected by this recall will be contacted directly by a Boca Grande Foods customer service representative. Implicated product is to be isolated for pick-up by Boca Grande Foods. Customers with questions or concerns about the recall may contact Boca Grande Foods at (800) 788-8026, extension 15.

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PCA Stock #, Pack Size Description Affected:

• 551058, Tanker
Coarse Natural Paste

LOT NUMBERS AFFECTED:

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Boca Grande Foods Inc.

POCO PAC® and GRANDE GOURMET™ peanut butter products were distributed nationally for use in foodservice institutions. The products were distributed in 0.5 oz., 0.75 oz., 1 oz., 1.12 oz., 2 oz., 2.25 oz. and 3 oz. individual plastic containers labeled with POCO PAC®, or GRANDE GOURMET™, as well as unbranded 16 oz., 5 lb. and 50 lb. bulk plastic containers.

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Tainted peanut butter believed to have killed dozens

PEANUT BUTTER
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Cookie Dough— 2 pound packages. Distribution to fundraising dealers occurred October 6, 2008 through January 9, 2009. The product comes in a 2 pound rectangular-shaped package with a white wrapper. Classic Breaks Peanut Butter Cookie Dough products with the following lot numbers marked on the side are included in the recall: 26208, 26308, 29608, 33808, 36008.

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased the recalled products should either destroy the product or contact Country Maid for a refund at 1-888-460-6904. Details also can be found at www.classic-breaks.com.

NutriSystem Inc.,

• NutriSystem-branded Peanut Butter Granola Bar 1.41 ounces or 40 grams packaged in flexible film, lot codes: TC08158A, TC08188A, TC09158A, TC09168A, TC09178A, TC11148A, TC11178A.

The peanut butter granola bar has been distributed directly to customers from the website or call center sales, residing in the United States by NutriSystem. The Peanut Butter Granola Bar (UPC 6 32674320162) is not available in retail stores, and not sold under any other name.

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Customers are urged to immediately destroy product. Customers seeking a replacement bar are being asked to call a NutriSystem representative at 1-866-491-6425 or e-mail PB.hart@nutrisystem.com and a replacement bar will be issued in its place.

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SINGLE CHAIN RECALLS

Walmart (produced by RalCorp) Product Description and SKU (Number on bottom used to scan at checkout)

• Wal-Mart Bakery Peanut Butter Cookie, 12 Count Clear Plastic Container 70897161809
• Wal-Mart Bakery Harvest Peanut Butter Fudge No-Bake 9 Count Clear Plastic Container 70897190990

• Wal-Mart Bakery Peanut Butter Fudge No-Bake 9 Count Clear Plastic Container 70897190954
• Wal-Mart Bakery Peanut Butter Fudge No-Bake, 12 Count Clear Plastic Container 70897161843

• Meyer All sell-by dates are impacted by this recall

• Meyer Cheese and Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers, UPC #0-41560-56235

• Meyer Toasty Peanut Butter

Sandwich Crackers, UPC #0-41560-56239
• Meyer Peanut Butter Cup Ice Cream, UPC #00000007-19283 46843-2

GENERAL RETAIL STORE RECALLS:

• Kellogg Products impacted by the recall were produced on or after July 1, 2008. Based on information from Kellogg representatives, these recalled products will have best-by dates of Dec 1, 2008 through September 16, 2009. Recalled products from Kellogg include:

• Austin® Quality Foods Cheese Crackers with Peanut Butter - all sizes
• Austin® Quality Foods Cheese & Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers - all sizes

• Austin® Quality Foods Mega Stuffed Cheese Crackers with Peanut Butter - all sizes
• Austin® Quality Foods PB & J Cracker Sandwiches - all sizes
• Austin® Quality Foods Super Snack Pack Sandwich Crackers

• Austin® Quality Foods Chocolate Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers - all sizes
• Austin® Quality Foods Toasty Crackers with Peanut Butter - all sizes

• Austin® Quality Foods Reduced Fat Cheese & Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers
• Austin® Quality Foods Reduced Fat Toasty Crackers with Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers
• Austin® Quality Foods Cookie/Cracker Pack

• Austin® Quality Foods Variety Pack
• Keebler® Cheese & Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers - all sizes

• Keebler® Toast & PB n J Flavored Sandwich Crackers - all sizes
• Keebler® Toast & Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers - all sizes

• Famous Amos® Peanut Butter Cookies (2- and 3-ounce)
• Keebler® Soft Batch Homestyle Peanut Butter Cookies (2.5-ounce)

McKee Foods

• Little Debbie® Peanut Butter Toasty sandwich crackers - all sizes
• Little Debbie® Peanut Butter Cheese sandwich crackers - all sizes

RalCorp

• Lofthouse® brand PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES.

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• PEANUT BUTTER NO-BAKE COOKIES

• PEANUT BUTTER FUDGE NO-BAKE COOKIES

• Parco Foods' Chuck's Chunky® food service brand PEANUT

BUTTER COOKIES

• Pastries Plus GOURMET COOKIES

The Lofthouse peanut butter cookies are sold in 12 count clear plastic clamshell containers while the peanut butter fudge no-bake cookies and the peanut butter no-bake cookies are sold in 9 or 12 count clear plastic clamshell containers. The recalled Lofthouse cookies are sold nationally in the in-store bakery sections of grocery stores and other food retailers. The Parco Foods' Chuck's Chunky cookies are distributed nationally in 5lb boxes in the food service channels. The Pastries Plus gourmet cookies were sold in 21 count plastic containers in select club stores nationally. All products will have a lot code of 9200 or less.

South Bend Chocolate Company

• Assorted chocolates in 5 ounce (Product 121), 8 ounce (Product 122), 12 ounce (Product 123) and 26 ounce (Product 124) boxes (Note the sugar free assorted chocolates are not affected, and are not part of the recall)

• Hoosiers, in 5 ounce (Product 010, UPC# 4482300011) and 3.5 ounce (Product 011, UPC# 4482300010)

• Valentine Heart, 14 ounces (Product 1020)

• The following products are also under recall and are sold to retail stores in bulk for sales of smaller quantities to their customers:

• 4.5lb Peanut Butter Fudge, Product 228
• 4 lb Hoosiers, Product 410
• 5 lb Peanut Butter Meltaway, Milk Chocolate, Product 204

• 5 lb Peanut Butter Meltaways-Dark Chocolate, Product 204D
• 4.5lb Peanut Butter Chocolate Fudge, Product 229

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased the recalled products are urged to return it to the store of purchase, or to destroy the product. Consumers with questions may contact The South Bend Chocolate Company at 574-233-2577.

Abbott Nutrition

• ZonePerfect Chocolate Peanut Butter bars, all sizes and quantities

• ZonePerfect Peanut Toffee bars, all sizes and quantities

• NutriPals Peanut Butter Chocolate

• NutriPals Peanut Butter Chocolate

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased the recalled products are urged to destroy the product. U.S. consumers with questions or who would like a refund may contact Abbott Nutrition Consumer Relations at (800) 986-8884, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Clif Bar & Company

• Clif Bar Chocolate Chip Peanut Crunch, BEST BY/SELL BY 21JUN09 to 01OCT09 and 03NOV09 to 28NOV09
• Clif Bar Crunchy Peanut Butter BEST BY/SELL BY 21JUN09 to 01OCT09 and 03NOV09 to 28NOV09

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• Clif Bar Peanut Toffee Buzz BEST BY/SELL BY only 13SEP09

• ZBar Peanut Butter BEST BY/SELL BY 07JUL09 to 05SEP09 and 12NOV09

• Clif Builders Peanut Butter BEST BY/SELL BY 19JUL09 to 30SEP09, and 05NOV09 to 18NOV09

• Luna Nut over Chocolate BEST BY/SELL BY 19JUL09 to 30SEP09, and 05NOV09 to 18NOV09

03OCT09, 11NOV09 to 14NOV09
• Luna Peanut Butter Cookie BEST BY/SELL BY 02OCT09 to 03OCT09 and 11NOV09 to 14NOV09

• All Clif Mojo Bars BEST BY/SELL BY 30APR09 to 21JUN09

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased the recalled products are urged to destroy them but retain the "Best By/Sell By" code found on the back of the package.

Consumers with questions or who would like a refund may contact Clif Bar & Company at 1-800-CLIFBAR (1-800-254-3227). Details also can be found at www.clifbar.com.

General Mills

• LARABAR Peanut Butter Cookie Individual Bar UPC code number: Individual Bar 54818-00014-7Caddy (16-bar pack) 54818-00064-26-bar pack 93759-00298-86-bar 6-pack case 93759-00298-5-FONT face-VERDANA size-2 UPC Case Code 54818-00085-7

• Jam'Frakas Peanut Butter Biscuits snack bars UPC code

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fund. If they have any questions they should call the Nature's Path customer service line at 1-866-880-7751.

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Premier Nutrition

The following Premier Nutrition products with "Best By" dates ranging as shown below, in the specific sizes and flavors indicated, are included in the recall:

• TWISTED Nutrition Bar, Vanilla, BEST BY AUG 01 2009A (August 1, 2009) through JAN 09 2010A (January 9, 2010)
• TWISTED Nutrition Bar, Chocolate BEST BY AUG 01 2009A (August 1, 2009) through JAN 09 2010A (January 9, 2010)

• TWISTED Nutrition Bar, Peanut Butter BEST BY AUG 01 2009A (August 1, 2009) through JAN 09 2010A (January 9, 2010)

• TWISTED Nutrition Bar, Variety Packs 15 and 24 count, DATED - 07/01/09 (July 1, 2009) through 01/09/10 (January 9, 2010)

• TITAN Nutrition Bar, Chocolate Peanut Crunch (80g size), BEST BY SEP 04 2009A (September 4, 2009) through DEC 17 2009A (December 17, 2009)

• TITAN Nutrition Bar, Chocolate Peanut Crunch (25g size), BEST BY SEP 04 2009A (September 4, 2009) through DEC 17 2009A (December 17, 2009)

These products were sold in grocery, warehouse and other retail stores throughout the United States as well as over the internet.

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased the recalled products are urged to destroy them; if refund or replacement

is desired, consumers should remove the "Best By" code found on the back of the package without opening the package. Consumers with questions or who would like a refund or replacement may contact Premier Nutrition at 888-836-8977. Details also can be found at www.premiernutrition.com.

Lovin Oven, LLC

The recalled Health Valley Organic Peanut Crunch Chewy Granola Bars are distributed nationwide by the Health Valley Company to distributors and retailers. The only lots affected are:

• Product Description and SKU (number on bottom used to scan at checkout)

• Health Valley Organic Peanut Crunch Chewy Granola Bars, 6.1 oz box # 0-35742 15483-4 Lot codes 13JUN09, 14JUN09, 28JUL09 (the lot code can be found on the left hand side of the top)

DISPOSAL ADVICE: Consumers who have purchased any products covered by this recall are urged to return them to the store of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions or concerns about the recall may call the hotline at 1-800-434-4246 (7:00 AM - 5:00 PM Mountain Time). Consumers with questions or concerns about their health should contact their doctor.

The two new items are:

• Shurline Peanut Butter Swirl Ice Cream (1.75 QT) distributed in New York and Pennsylvania

• Meyer Peanut Butter Cup (16oz) distributed in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Michigan



FILE PHOTO

Blackboard needed for Depot

The train depot at Depot Beach is in need of a relatively large blackboard to hang on the wall of the about-to-be restored ticket master's office. If anyone has one or knows of one, please call the Harsha House at 547-0373 or Karen Lewis at 547-9743.

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Kickin' it up a notch

Northern Martial Arts of Charlevoix recently had several students promoted to new ranks. Nearly 100 participants and spectators attended. Testing occurred at the Charlevoix location and also at the Fenton world headquarters. Students had to perform self-defense skills, forms, board breaking and show respect and confidence. The following students received their yellow belts: Elliott Tillotson, Matt Kage, Baby Hang, Trenton Speer, Michael McQuiston, Jacob Mueller, Emory Whaley, Riley Smith, Riley Jensen, Jacob Beaudoin, Aiden Zahner, Kelsey Swanson, Mary Ivey, Alicia Paczesny and Autumn Paczesny; those who earned their blue belt were Kiley Mann and Justin VanLo; those who earned their red belt were Lexie Miller, Savannah Miller and Phillip Sterrett; those who earned their brown belt were Amy Spegele, Noah Worgess, Matt Seaman and Jordan VanLo; those who earned their junior black belt were Michael Nesburg, Danny Nesburg, Natalie Nesburg, Rachel Nesburg, Jackson Robbins and Aaron Spegele.

Low-cost loans for home energy improvements

Income eligible Michigan homeowners may now borrow up to \$50,000 from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) to make alternative energy efficiency improvements to their homes.

The program adds alternative energy improvements to a long list of traditional improvements including insulation, upgraded windows and energy-efficient appliances. The loans are available through MSHDA's Property Improvement Program (PIP).

"MSHDA has always provided low-interest loans to Michigan residents for a variety of traditional energy saving home improvements," said MSHDA Executive Director Keith Molin. "By adding more progressive forms of improvements such as geothermal furnaces, solar water heating systems and windmills, we allow Michigan homeowners to be better stewards of the earth's resources while reducing monthly energy costs."

Other improvements covered by the expanded program include indoor fireplaces, permanently installed radiators, and solar rooms permanently installed for use as a sun room or family room.

Program Manager Jess Sobel added that the program makes it easy to obtain qualified loans.

"Income eligible homeowners with no equity can borrow up to \$25,000 and with equity, up to \$50,000," Sobel said. "Landlords with eligible rent limits can borrow up to \$100,000 or \$25,000 per rental unit, and eligible homeowners may have household incomes of up to \$74,500 depending on the location of the home."

"Interest rates are reasonable at 4 percent, 6 percent, or 8 percent depending on income," not the market," said Sobel. "Loans can be amortized up to 20 years to make payments affordable."

For more information about PIP, visit the MSHDA Web site at www.michigan.gov/mshda

and click on Home Improvement, or call (517) 373-8017. The toll-free number for the hearing impaired is (800) 382-4568.

MSHDA's vision in the 21st century is to improve the quality of life for all Michigan residents and create vibrant communities by focusing on providing safe, affordable housing through home ownership

and rental programs; ending homelessness; and revitalizing neighborhoods and downtowns. MSHDA's loans and operating expenses are financed through the sale of tax-exempt and taxable bonds and notes to private investors, not from state tax revenues. For information on this and other MSHDA programs, visit the Web site at www.michigan.gov/mshda

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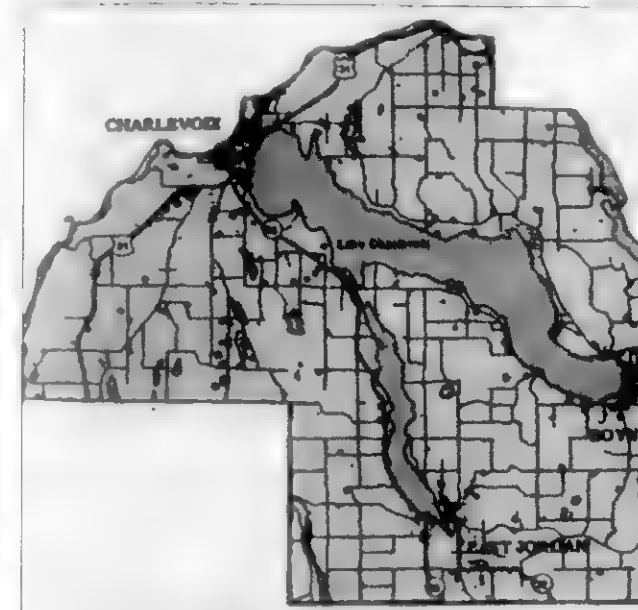
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January is National Radon Action Month



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This map shows Radon test results from kits distributed at Health Department offices from 1993 through 2007. The red dots indicate results at or above Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "action level"; green dots indicate test results are below action level.

January is almost over, but it's never too late to keep your family safe.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is working with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a nationwide campaign to educate Americans about the dangers of radon exposure and to encourage them to take action to protect their homes and families.

According to public health officials, radon was present at elevated levels in about 21.4 percent of the 2000-plus homes that used radon test kits distributed through health department offices from 1993 through 2007. Maps indicating EPA "action levels" for Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties are posted on the Health Department Web site www.nwhealth.org.

Scott Kendzierski, Director of Environmental Health Services, said the only way to know if you are exposed to elevated radon levels is to test your home. "Fortunately, testing for radon is easy and inexpensive."

Radon kits can be purchased at hardware or home improvement stores, as well as at Health Department offices in Bellaire, Charlevoix, Petoskey/Harbor Springs, and Gaylord. If homeowners discover a radon problem, Health Department Environmental Health staff can help them find a solution.

Radon is a naturally occurring, invisible, odorless, tasteless

gas that is dispersed in outdoor air, but which can reach harmful levels when trapped in buildings. Scientists have long been concerned about the health risks of radon, but never has there been such overwhelming proof that exposure to elevated levels of radon causes lung cancer in humans.

EPA estimates that radon is responsible for more than 20,000 lung cancer deaths per year. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S., after smoking, and the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. "Since you can't see or smell radon, people can downplay its health effects," said Scott Kendzierski, Environmental Health Services Director for the Health Department.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality health care, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. Radon test kits available for \$15 at Health Department offices; bring your property tax identification number so results can be tracked. For additional information about radon or radon testing, telephone Scott Johnston, Environmental Health Sanitarian, at (989) 732-1794 or visit www.epa.gov/radon.

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Prep girls' basketball: Rayders hold off Boyne in a thriller, remain in first place

Sarah Potter hit the game winning bucket with 5 seconds remaining Friday, Jan. 23 lifting Charlevoix to a 47-45 Lake Michigan Conference girls' basketball victory over Boyne City.

The Rayders, 8-2, remained in first place in the Lake Michigan Conference at 5-0. They hold a two-game lead over Kalkaska, Elk Rapids and Traverse City St. Francis, each of whom is 3-2.

Potter and Olivia Cati scored eight points apiece and KC McCary hauled down 16

rebounds to lead Charlevoix.

"It was an all around good game," Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine said. "Both teams played hard."

Potter took an inbound pass from Mendith Rich and hit a short jumper for the game-winning points.

The Rayders led by 14 points entering the fourth quarter, but Boyne clawed back and tied it, 45-45, on a pair of Steve Carlston free throws with under a minute remaining.

Shelby Mittig scored 11

points to lead Boyne City, 3-8, 3-3.

"Our second half was the type of basketball we're trying to play," said Boyne coach Jim Brown, whose team trailed 23-15 at halftime but came back to forge a 45-45 tie late in the fourth quarter. "If anything, it gave our girls a lot of confidence heading into the second half of the season."

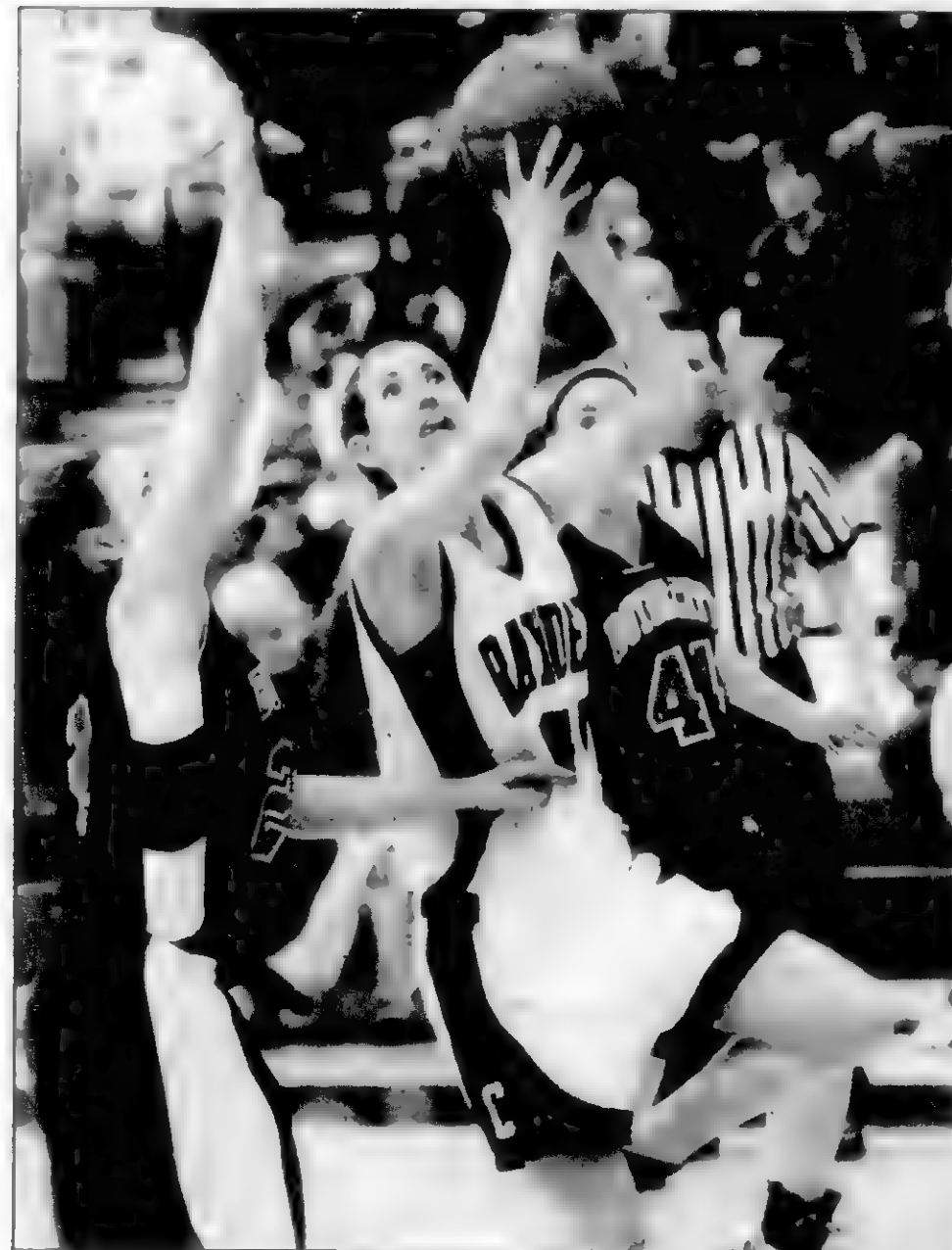
Charlevoix won the JV game 47-26. Jenna Way scored 14 points and Dant Barron added 10 for the Rayders.

Charlevoix's Sarah Potter (left) maneuvers around Boyne defenders during Friday night's conference game with Boyne City. The Rayders won the contest 47-45.



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Charlevoix's Sarah Potter (left) maneuvers around Boyne defenders during Friday night's conference game with Boyne City. The Rayders won the contest 47-45.



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Charlevoix senior Bridget Peters (center) goes up for a shot between two defenders during Friday night's girls' basketball game with conference rival Boyne City. The Rayders won the contest 47-45.

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Stingray swimmers place well in down state meets

Two swimmers from the Charlevoix Area Community Pool Stingray swim team competed on the weekends of Jan. 10 and Jan. 17 in Royal Oak and Grand Rapids, respectively. Petoskey High School senior Chrystal Schemanski and Charlevoix High School freshman Alex Gooch represented Charlevoix and swam with the Barracudas from Midland. These were United States Swimming meets; several hundred swimmers from dozens of teams competed.

Second ski race of the season

The Northern Michigan Ski Academy had their second race of the season at Boyne Mountain on Sunday, January 25. The slalom course down Thunder was tougher than many of the skiers expected.

The top three finishers of each group are as follows:

Girls 7 and under: first Jenna Good, 7 of Charlevoix; second Madeline Malpass, 7 of East Jordan; third Marlee Shepherd, 7 of Harbor Springs.

Boys 7 and under: first Luke Whittet, 6 of Boyne City; second Cole Hoffman 6 of Harbor Springs; third Blaise Snabes, 6 of Charlevoix.

Girls 8 and 9: first Ash-

lyn Kates, 9 of Boyne City; second Maddy Fuhrman 9 of Harbor Springs; third Abbey Scholten, 8 of Charlevoix.

Boys 8 and 9: first Ethan Siegwart, 8 of Charlevoix; second Keon Taylor, 8 of Charlevoix; third Quinten Kuhn, 8 of Boyne City.

Girls 10 and 11: first Winter Vinecki, 10 of Gaylord; second Abby Bohnet, 10 of Petoskey; third Alexa Wespiser, 11 of Harbor Springs.

Boys 10 and 11: first Spencer Binkley, 10 of Boyne City; second Silas Lee, 10 of Petoskey; third Bobby Sherman, 10 of East Jordan.

Girls 12 and 13: first Rose

Pellegron, 13 of Harbor Springs; second Dana Reynolds, 13 of Charlevoix; third Mia Ciccoretti, 12 of Boyne Falls.

Boys 12 and 13: First Corey Bohnet, 13 of Petoskey; second Kory Skop, 12 of Boyne Falls; third Landon Kates, 12 of Boyne City.

Girls 14 and over: Ganae Zettle, 16 of West Branch. Boys 14 and over: Ben Loomis, 14 of Petoskey; second Joe Loomis, 15 of Petoskey.

The next race will be a giant slalom at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 1, at Boyne Highlands.

Swim team

RESULTS

• Jenison High School in Grand Rapids: Swimmers had to qualify in the top 16 each morning to compete again in the evening finals.

Schemanski swam in the 15 and older age group and finished 11th in the 50 yard Freestyle (27.11), 16th in the 200 Backstroke (2:35.30) and 16th in the 100 yard Freestyle (1:01.22). Gooch swam in the 13-14 age group and finished 3rd in the 50 yard Breaststroke (33.90), 7th in the 200 yard Breaststroke (2:42.92) and 8th in the 100 yard Breaststroke (1:13.46).

• Royal Oak Middle School Swimmers were placed in an A or B division based on their seed times. Schemanski placed

13th in the 100 Backstroke (A) with a time of 1:11.90. In the B division she got first's in the 200 yard Freestyle and 200 yard Backstroke, second in the 200 yard Breaststroke and third in the 200 yard IM. Gooch placed third in the 100 yard Breaststroke (1:14.52, sixth in the 200 Breaststroke (2:43.14) and ninth in the 50 yard Freestyle (26.82). Gooch joined Ben Martin, Jackson Goethe and Tyler Slater of the Barracuda's to finish first in the 200 yard Freestyle Relay (A) with a winning time of 1:46.21. He also had a fourth in the 50 yard Backstroke and a ninth place finish in the 100 yard Freestyle in the B division. For more information about the Charlevoix Stingray swim team call 547-0982.

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IRS e-file, a fast way to your refund

Officials say easier to use than ever

Friday when the Internal Revenue Service flips the switch to begin accepting electronic returns, the number streaming in from Michigan will likely be on the increase. And many will probably be filed using the IRS's new online, fillable tax forms.

The IRS expects nearly 70 percent of Michiganders to e-file this year, either through their preparers or on their own. That would mean that close to 3 million Michigan filers will have scrapped paper and pen in favor of the computer mouse, an increase of about 8 percent over last year.

Filers will have more reasons than ever to make the switch to e-file with the IRS

announcing the Jan. 16 opening of an expanded e-file program, highlighted by new tax forms that can be filled in and e-filed online, a feature that will allow virtually anyone to e-file at no cost.

"With eight out of 10 taxpayers in Michigan getting money back, more taxpayers than ever will want a fast refund this year," said IRS spokesman Luis D. Garcia. "E-filing isn't just fast, it provides practically error-free tax returns and gives a confirmation of receipt by the IRS."

According to Garcia, taxpayers who combine e-filing with direct deposit usually get a refund in 10 days or less. Filers who owe taxes can also enjoy

the accuracy, ease and safety of e-filing now and can still keep their money until the last minute by authorizing an April 15 direct debit to the IRS.

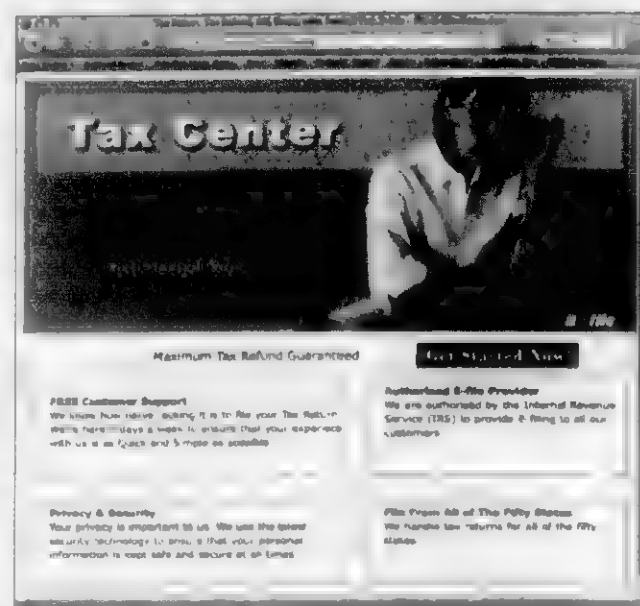
"People looking to hold down the cost of filing their taxes need to use IRS Free File," Garcia said.

Now all taxpayers can file online for free: For those with Adjusted Gross Incomes of \$36,000 or less in 2008—70 percent of all taxpayers—Free File offers 20 different software companies that can assist taxpayers. Most Michigan taxpayers qualify for free online tax preparation and e-filing through Free File.

For everybody else, the online fillable forms can be

completed and submitted right online to the IRS for free. While this method does not provide the interview screening and assistance that most tax preparation software has, it does provide the same speed and security.

The IRS began the e-file program in 1986 as a pilot project in three cities: Cincinnati, Phoenix and Raleigh-Durham, N.C. That year, there were 25,000 tax returns filed electronically. The e-file program expanded nationwide in 1990 and 4.2 million tax returns were filed. IRS e-file has undergone tremendous growth each year. Last year, nearly 90 million returns were e-filed nationwide.

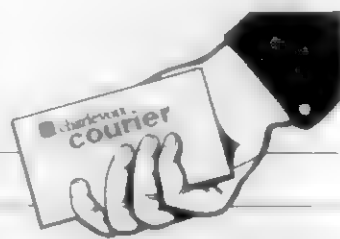


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Drive-through coffee?

Espresso Hut of Charlevoix offers hot java for those on the go

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now with two family-owned local coffee huts, Bert and Lynn Ulrich of the Boyne area are serving both Petoskey and Charlevoix.

Located in Captain's Corners Plaza, the home of Glen's Market and more, the Espresso Hut and Papa's Custard offers everything from bagels and muffins

to sandwiches, espresso, gourmet tea and frozen custard.

"We've got two drive-up windows and a walk-up window," said manager Daphne LaCross. "We have salmon burgers and starting in February, we'll have a soup of the day."

The gourmet coffee hut is open 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays; and Noon

to five p.m., Sundays—these winter hours will change when spring arrives.

Our mochas are a favorite drink," LaCross said. "We use Ghirardelli chocolate, steamed milk espresso with whipped cream on top and a drizzle of chocolate."

She added that, if you love ice-cream, you will truly enjoy their frozen custard.

"We have 24 flavors plus shakes, malts and sundaes," LaCross said. "We have everything from apple pie, banana, blueberry, cheesecake, peanut butter, pumpkin, peach, pistachio, strawberry and more."

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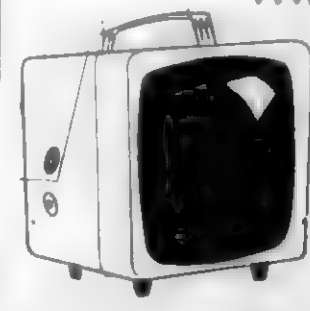
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Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce's biggest celebration of the year

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here in Charlevoix and why we all choose to call this community home for both our families and our businesses."

She added, "Tonight, we honor those who go above and beyond the call of duty; who have given selflessly of time and resources to make our home, our place of business, our playground, our Charlevoix a better place."

The city staff were chosen, Bernis said, because they have consistently done, "what some said could never be done."

"They are those who protect us from harm and treat us when ill; they are keepers of the peace and elected officials; they are business owners choosing Charlevoix over any other location; and those who keep our community clean and beautiful," she said. "They keep the electricity on; the streets clear of snow; and guide boaters to their slips. They maintain the parks, the boat launches and the public beaches."

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel said the staff were certainly surprised and honored by the award.

"I think it is certainly a testament to the hard work that city employees put forth each and every year," he said. "Last year was a busy year with the completion of East Park, and the city employees do a lot of work for the many festivals and events in the downtown area."

He added, "It certainly is a community oriented approach."

Pat McKeown introduced honoree Lasater, who received the Outstanding Citizen Award. "The City of Charlevoix is one-of-a-kind, unparalleled by any other community," McKeown said. "Many would agree that even when it was explored by Charlevoix's namesake Pierre Francois Xavier De Charlevoix, that it was destined for greatness. Over the years, Charlevoix has become the setting for Michigan's first power plant, the LaSalle-Griffon project, petunia-lined streets and renowned festivals. It has also been the home of many notable citizens including Ernest Hemmingway, Earl Young and Charles Ransom."

He added, "It is very apparent that Charlevoix is outstanding in more ways than one. Tonight we would like to recognize one individual who has played a monumental role in the community and embodies the definition of outstanding."

Lasater was born and raised in Paragould, Ark. and graduated from Arkansas State University with a teaching degree. He taught at Boyne City schools for six years before eventually being elected as sheriff in 1976 before retiring late last year.

"I was surprised and very honored," Lasater said, who added that, while humbled

by the honor, he was also very pleased.

"I grew up in a small town and have always been a great advocate of small towns," he said. "Charlevoix County is blessed with three small towns. I raised my family in a small town and for me, that's where it's at—Charlevoix is the epitome of small town America."

Lasater said the award made him feel as though the cham-

ber recognized his loyalty to Charlevoix County.

"I felt that I always looked out for the folks of Charlevoix County and represented them well," he said. "I've always thought that a sheriff, a chief of police, can be an extension of the chamber of commerce—promoting your county, promoting your city."

Chamber chairman Tom Conlan then announced this

year's winner of the Chairman's Award, Jay Bingham.

"Tonight's winner has been instrumental in helping to make improvements to our chamber," Conlan said. "He has been tireless in his community service."

Bingham, a lifelong Michi-

gan, graduated from Central Michigan University with an MBA before working for Georgia-Pacific in 1971. Bingham got his start in the insurance business in 1974 and has been there ever since.



PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

Pat McKeown (left) presented former Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater with this year's Outstanding Citizen Award for his many years of service to Charlevoix County. Lasater served as sheriff from 1976 to 2008.

Board members

NORWOOD Continued from page 1

Michigan Zoning Enabling Act which requires all planning commissions to be dissolved and formed by ordinance.

"I do have a bone to pick with you," said Norwood trustee Dave Leusink. "In the newspaper you say have five people going to be on there, but what meeting did I miss? That's open for discussion... isn't it?"

Leusink was referring to Dec. 24 Charlevoix Courier article wherein Hamilton explained that the board planned to change the planning commission from a seven-member board to a five-member board on a purely arbitrary basis.

"I wouldn't believe what's printed," Hamilton said. "There's a lot of things in there I don't say—period—they still show up."

When given the opportunity in a later interview to cite the specific passages he felt were inaccurate, Hamilton had no comment in addition to denying having said the preceding quote.

The board then discussed the

pros and cons of a seven-member planning commission.

Norwood Township Clerk Dana Pajtas asked Mielke if a seven-member planning commission was sometimes unwieldy.

"For this size of a township it seems like five would be sufficient," she said. "It's hard enough to find five good members to begin with."

Mielke said he felt the seven-member planning commission was an effective number.

Leusink felt a five-member commission pushes dangerously close to increasing the amount of power in the hands of fewer people.

Bryan Graham said the statute allows five, seven or nine and that the smaller board will cost the township less money; a larger board will offer more diversity of opinion.

The board has until 2011 to make the change under current Michigan law.

Official Notice

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS

Monday, January 19, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

Motion passed accepting the resignation of Peggy Brennan from the Shade Tree Commission

Motion passed authorizing execution of Biosolids Management Agreement Addendum #1 with Biotech Agronomics, a contract for removal of biosolids from the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Resolution 2009-01-01 adopted, MDOT Performance Bond for Governmental Agencies.

Resolution 2009-01-02 adopted, Designation of Authorized Official to Apply for Parade Permits.

Resolution 2009-01-03 adopted, Establishing Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.

Council also reviewed and generally agreed to 2009-2010 City Goals as presented by staff.

Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk Norman L. Carlson, Jr., Mayor

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Official Notice

ANNUAL
DRINKING WATER
QUALITY REPORT
OF THE
City of Charlevoix Water Supply
January 2009
Here is this year's Annual Quality Water Report.

It is designed to inform you about the quality drinking water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Our water comes from Lake Michigan, considered surface water. The State has performed an assessment of our source water in 2004. A determination of sensitivity and susceptibility to contamination was by made reviewing our source water geology, water chemistry, and potential contamination sources nearby the lake. The State has determined that our source water has a moderate sensitivity rating along with a moderate susceptibility to contamination. You may obtain a copy of the State report by contacting the City of Charlevoix Water Treatment Plant.

We are pleased to report that your drinking water is safe and meets all State and Federal requirements.

This report is a snapshot of the quality of the water we provided to you in the year 2008. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and State of Michigan standards.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Jim Caldwell at the Charlevoix Water Treatment Plant, (231) 547-3256, or Don Swen at the Charlevoix Water Department, (231) 547-3273. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. The City of Charlevoix Water Supply routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State Laws.

This report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 thru December 31, 2008. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Charlevoix Water Treatment Plant and Distribution System personnel sampled and tested for over 100 contaminants that were NOT detected in our water supply. The following constituents were detected at low but safe levels, well below the MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level)

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.

Radioactive contaminants, which are naturally occurring.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

The State of Michigan and Environmental Protection Agency require us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety.

We meet all monitoring requirements for the year 2008.

In the following tables you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions: Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - A pico equals one part per trillion; the measurement of radiation in water
Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

ND: not applicable

ND: not detectable at testing limit

Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

We're pleased that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water is SAFE at these levels.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence

of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791)

Call us if you have any questions.

About our system...

The City of Charlevoix operates a Direct Filtration Water Treatment Facility which uses water from Lake Michigan. With a capacity of 3 million gallons per day, water enters the plant through a submerged intake structure. Storage includes a one million gallon above ground reservoir at the plant, and a 300,000 gallon elevated tank (water tower) on Charlevoix's north side. The City has approximately 32 miles of distribution lines serving approximately 5,000 customers in the City of Charlevoix and areas of adjoining Charlevoix Township, as well as, the influx of summer visitors to the area. Present flow rates vary from around 400,000 gallons per day in the winter to as much as 2.5 million gallons per day in the summer. In service since 1987, it is a modern, efficient facility staffed by licensed, well trained operators. Charlevoix is continually improving its distribution system assuring fresh water and adequate pressure throughout our entire service area. An electrical generator at the Water Plant assures normal operation at full capacity in the event of an electrical power loss to the City. We at the Charlevoix Water Treatment Plant and Distribution System work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap.

Please help us protect our water resources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future.

Inorganic Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	SYSTEM WATER	Range of detections	Sample date	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	1.4	NA	2008	No	Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.0200	NA	2008	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Turbidity (NTU)	2	TT	0.040	0.030 – 0.070	2008	No	Erosion of natural deposits.
Radionuclides							
Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	0	15	1.5	ND – 1.5	2000	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium	0	5	1.0	1.0	2000	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Chlorine	MRDLG	MRDL	Quarterly Average				
Total Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	0.34	0.04 to 0.55	2008	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Disinfection Byproducts	MCLG		SYSTEM WATER				
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) (ppb)	NA		16.0	NA	2008	No	Disinfection Byproducts
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	7.0	NA	2008	No	Disinfection Byproducts
Lead/Copper	MCLG	AL	99% MCL				
Lead (ppb)	0	15	2	ND - 5	2006	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.080	ND - 0.430	2006	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Unregulated Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	SYSTEM WATER				
Sodium (ppm)	NA	NA	9	NA	2008	NA	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate (ppm)	NA	NA	29	NA	2008	NA	Erosion of natural deposits

**Lead and Copper - Lead and copper testing is on a three (3) year schedule; test results reported here are from the 2006 year - next round of testing is year 2009.

NOTES: * Turbidity - turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is an indicator of our filtration system.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Now through Feb. 20 Applications for summer art camp scholarships are being accepted. To get more information or to get an application, contact a guidance office or art teacher at either Charlevoix Middle or High Schools. The funds are released from the Enduring Arts Scholarship fund and two scholarships to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp will be awarded.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

52nd season at Mt. McSaubia

Mt. McSaubia kicked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cams to catch the snowboarders' action and more.

Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community-wide cause, call recreation director Ike Boss at 547-3253.

Visit www.mtmcsubia.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nsaa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix:

Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God

through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at . Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesday of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society museum winter hours: The museum is closed January and February. The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

JAN. 28

Business class Join the "How To Start a Business Class" from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Jan. 28 at

the Boyne District Library.

For \$20, you will get the tools to learn how to start your own business. Call 582-6482 or e-mail sara@northemlakes.net to register.

JAN. 29

Grand old convention

At 7:30 p.m., there will be a meeting of the duly elected precinct delegates and the at-large delegates to the county convention in the Charlevoix County Commissioners room, 203 Antrim St. Delegates and alternates will be elected for the Feb. 20 and 21 state convention in Lansing. Only precinct delegates elected at the Aug. 5, 2008 primary election, the last recent Republican nominees for county and state offices, and precinct delegates seated on a permanent basis at the August or November, 2008, county conventions will be seated and considered eligible to vote at this convention. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the Republican party is invited.

JAN. 29 THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St., Petoskey

Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule:

• Jan. 29 - Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool

• Feb. 5 - Volunteer Monitoring: Programs and Results

• Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities

• March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers

• March 12 - Native Plants

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FEB. 3

Valentine dinner

The Charlevoix Historical Society will host its annual Valentine's Potluck Dinner at 6 p.m., Feb. 3 at the depot at Depot Beach. Dinner will be followed by a showing of the classic silent film "City Lights" starring Charlie Chaplin as the Little Tramp, considered by many critics to be one of the greatest movies ever made. Popcorn will be available. Bring a dish to pass, a serving utensil and your own plates and tableware. The society will provide coffee, tea, cups, napkins and microwaves if needed. The public is welcome and the price of admission is a valentine(s) signed by "A Secret Admirer." These cards will be distributed later to shut-ins and those who might not be receiving one. Call 547-0373 for more information

FEB. 7

Baseball camp registration now

On Saturday, Feb. 7, Oakland University head baseball coach John Muschio and assistant coach Del Young will run the third annual Northern Michigan Baseball Camp at Charlevoix High School.

The camp is open to players in grades 7-12. The hitting and fielding session will be from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The pitching and catching session will be from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Cost of the camp is \$30 for one session; \$55 for both at the door.

NW Michigan Works

Northwest Michigan Works will hold office hours from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Feb. 3 and 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., March 3, at the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce office

Angie Ross, business liaison, will be available to share information on the many free services her office offers local businesses regarding workforce development and human resources. Stop in to discuss hiring, layoffs and all other business concerns you may have.

American Legion service officer in town

From 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 3, a Michigan American Legion service officer will be at the veterans affairs office in the county building to assist any veteran, veterans' survivor, in filing a claim, replacing discharge papers, obtaining medals or procuring health care through the VA. If you cannot get to the office, call 547-7220 for assistance.

FEB. 5

Dema's county convention

At 7 p.m., Feb. 5 at the Boyne City Public Library's meeting room, the Charlevoix County Democratic Party will hold its county convention. Public is invited. Call 547-3592 for more information

FEB. 5 THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will

air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Amelie on Feb. 5, Blue Velvet on Feb. 19, A Simple Plan on March 5, Lo Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

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Registrations received on or before Jan. 31 will receive a \$5 discount (\$25 per session if only attending one, \$50 if attending both)

For further information or registration forms, contact Charlevoix baseball coach Allen Telgenhof at atelgenhof@chartermi.net or 547-7388.

FEB. 8 THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion

Economic meltdown, Bernie Madoff, off-shoring, subprime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college?

Are you interested in learning more about economics - what the words mean, basic concepts, pointers on personal finance?

The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.:

February 8 - "How Economists Think" and "Division of Labor"

February 22 - "Supply and Demand" and "Price Floors and Ceilings"

March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages"

March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

FEB. 11

Charlevoix schools budget forum

From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Feb. 11 at the Charlevoix Public Library community room, Arch Lewis will speak during a budget forum.

FEB. 12

S.A.D. presentation.

Learn all about Seasonal Affective Disorder from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Feb. 12 at the Charlevoix Public Li-

brary. North Country Community Mental Health staff will present an overview of the disorder followed by a question and answer period.

For many, the annual Free Fishing Weekend has be-

come a tradition - a time to get together and have some fishing fun. While some may find time to reflect while fishing, there are no limits to variations on a great theme!

Michigan offers some of the finest freshwater fishing in the world, with more than 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, over 11,037 inland lakes and 36,350 miles of rivers and streams. Included are 12,000 miles of trout waters, for which approximately 1,000 miles are considered Michigan's finest blue ribbon trout mainstems.

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FEB. 14 AND 15

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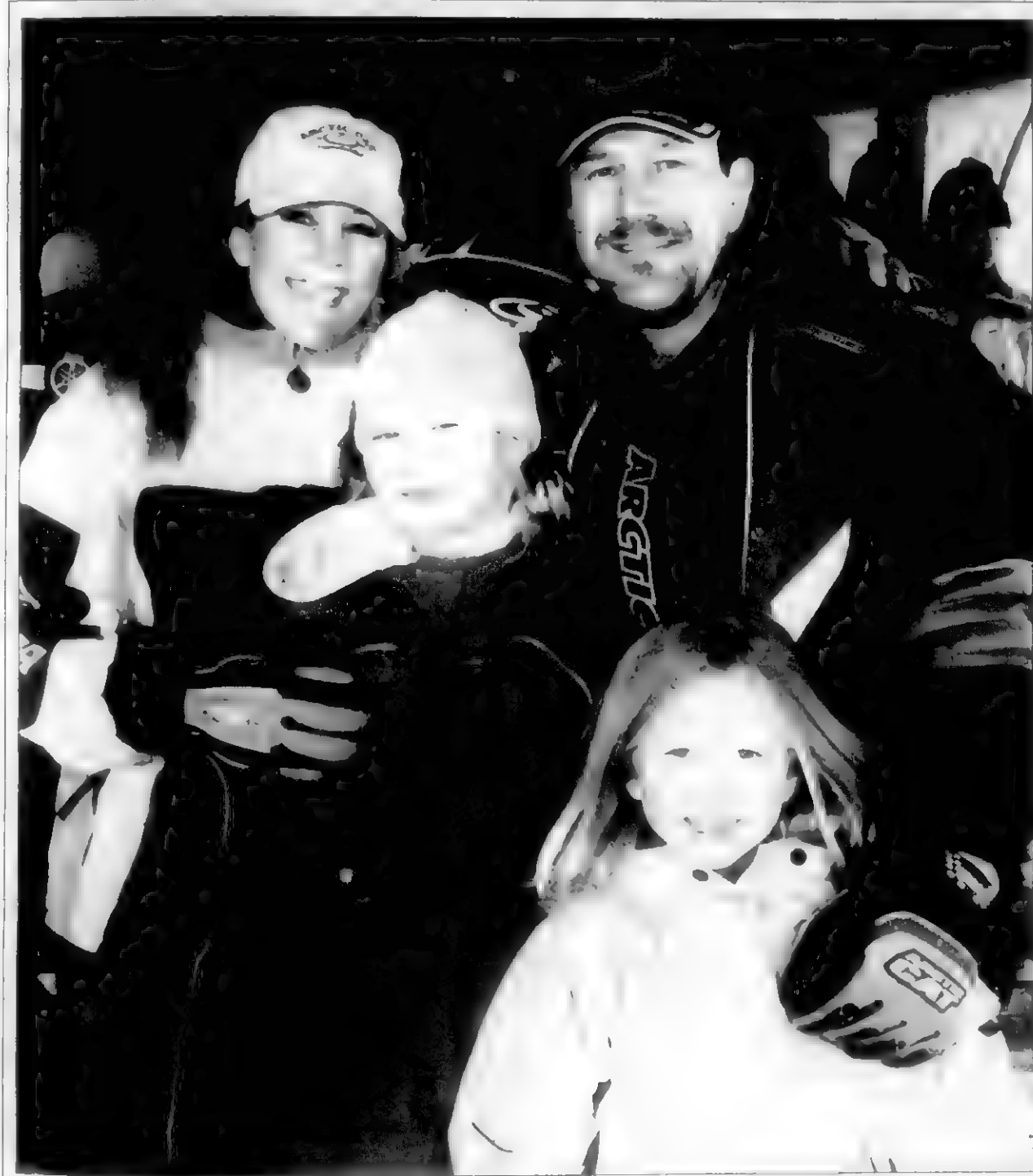
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FEB. 21

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JEREMY KUHN/NEWS-REVIEW

Snowmobile Club draws a crowd

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The Public is invited to attend a Pro-Active 5-Year Budget Forum for Charlevoix Public Schools

Wednesday, February 11th

Charlevoix Public Library

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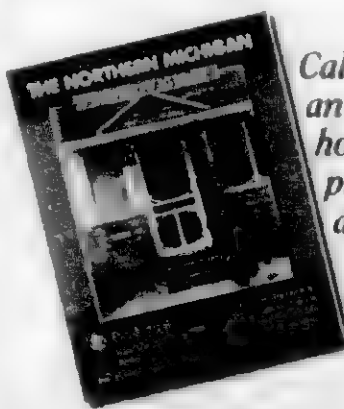
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French claim lost ship
Affidavit of ownership filed on Le GriffonBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Years after having thought it had taken the steps necessary to lay claim on a ship it lost to rough seas in the 17th century, France formally asserted ownership last week in a Michigan U.S. District Court.

The three pages of documentation briefly states that France, never having abandoned its interests in the ship, would claim rights to the hull, tackle, apparel, appurtenances, cargo and more if, and when, it is discovered.

"France does not take any position on whether this is Griffon," said Rick Robel, an

Ohio attorney representing ship hunter Stephen Libert's Great Lakes Exploration Group in addition to filing France's claim. "France simply wanted to state that it is the owner of the shipwreck without taking any position on the dispute between Great Lakes Exploration and Michigan except that it is important that the historic and cultural values of the shipwreck be preserved."

He added, "France made it clear that it has not abandoned its interest in the sovereign vessel."

This latest development comes 30 years in the making. Libert has been hunting for

the ship, which was built by Rene Sieur De Le Salle—a man integral to the Louisiana Purchase—back in the late 1600s, for nearly three decades; but, it wasn't until several years ago when he attempted to have his group named as custodians of the potential wreckage site that he was met with resistance by some officials in the State of Michigan.

The State of Michigan, late in 2008, held a short period open for claimants to file wherein it placed two newspaper advertisements. France did not respond to the ads because it

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Poor performance blamed
for building department cuts
Audit reveals lack of productivityBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

What began as a discussion on Jan. 28 how the building department could best be made solvent ended with a 4-2 vote and the termination of two employees: Ken Doty and Jim Easley.

Doty, a 15-year employee and department head, and Easley, a 12-year electrical inspector were both fired following a financial audit and a department assessment which included detailed closed-door interviews of the department's employees.

"The personnel committee recently conducted an evaluation of personnel," said chairman of the board and District Two Charlevoix County Commis-

sioner Chris Christensen. "It was recommended to the full board that, given the current economic climate, existing issues with the building department and results of the assessment, that the employment relationship with the individuals be terminated."

Seven members of the building department were interviewed on Wednesday, Jan. 28, some of them twice, for a total of nine interviews over the course of nearly eight hours.

This move came just weeks after the county board set the most recent of two timetables for fiscal recovery of the department which was taken into the county's financial fold last spring.

According to the audit of time worked, Doty and Easley were consistently lowest in number of inspections completed per day eligible to be worked.

Documents show Doty worked over a period of 36 months an average of 3.47 inspections per day. Contrast these numbers with other members of the department who ranged from a high of 7.85 inspections per day for one employee to a low of 2.63 inspections per day over 36 months for Easley.

While no employee could ever reach 100 percent of days worked due to vacation time, holidays and sick time, Doty and

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Rayders beat Harbor Springs

Weston Bryan (number 43) scored 16 of his game-high 27 points in the second half Friday, Jan. 30 as the Rayders held on to beat Harbor Springs, 81-79, and keep a grip on first place in the Lake Michigan Conference boys' basketball race. Check out more photos from the game at www.MChrisLeese.com.

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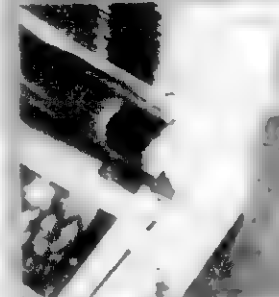
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Abigail Louise Reinhardt weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces, was born Jan. 20 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Samantha R. Reinhardt of Charlevoix. Her grandparents are Debra Reinhardt and Lyle Reinhardt, both of Charlevoix. Her great-grandparents are Bill and Elgie Rankin of Muskegon and Raymond and Marion Wesler of Ellsworth. Her great-grandmother is Thelma Dillard of Charlevoix.

Emma Rose Mary George weighing six pounds, nine ounces, was born Jan. 20 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Joshua and Elizabeth George of East Jordan. Her brother is Carson Lyle. Her grandparents are Pat and Casey Mayhew and Christopher Peck both of East Jordan, Toni and Art Ceta of Bath, Dug and DeVana George of Arkansas. Her great-grandparents are Digha Peck of East Jordan, Robert and Lucy Ritz of Weherville, Christen George, and Arnold and Mary Smith all of Arkansas.

Zachary David Schmoldt weighing eight pounds, six ounces, was born Jan. 23 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to David and Danielle Schmoldt of Onaway. His grandparents are Kathleen Schmoldt of Boyne City, Les and Mabel Howard of Vanderbilt, Henry and Alice Zimmerman of Mancelona, and Bob Schmoldt of Harbor Springs.

Carson William Thornton, weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces, was born to Rob and Kaye (Stoneham) Thornton of Auburn Hills, at 2:26 p.m. on Dec. 19, 2008 at Troy Beaumont Hospital. Carson was 20 inches at birth. His sibling is Jacquelyn, 4; grandparents are Ron and Maria Stoneham, of Charlevoix, and Rick Thornton of St. Clair.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court.

Floyd Wesley Banks, 30, Detroit. Personally identifying information-obtaining/possessing/transferring with the intent to commit identity theft. Sentenced to 180 days in jail; credit for 57

days in jail, to serve 180 days in jail; \$3,320 in fines and costs.

Cody James Solgot, 23, Boyne City. Malicious destruction of fire or police property; resisting/obstructing/assaulting a police officer. Sentenced to 365 days in jail; credit for 118 days in jail; to serve 365 days in jail, to serve 30 months on probation; \$2,947.32 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Sweet Training, 2454 Center St., Boyne Falls, by Sheila K Sweet

Boyne Arts Collective, P.O. Box 972, Boyne City, by April Raycraft, Martina Hahn-Oswald and Rebecca Andrews

Danny Ray, 8288 Mercer Blvd., Charlevoix, by Danny Ray Westphal

Petoskey Speed Shows, 11096 Byers Road, Ellsworth, by Wendy Sutherland

Paquette's Day Care, 03586 Jaquay Road, Boyne City, by Karianne Paquette



PHOTO COURTESY NORTHERN ISLANDER NEWSPAPER

Air ambulance now on Island

Angel Welke, President of Island Airways, shows the specially designed stretcher for Britten Norman Islanders. Island Airways is now operating a FAA-approved Air Ambulance service. See story on page 15.

Pencils down: Boyne Citizen-Journal newspaper closed

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

The owners of Boyne City's community weekly newspaper put the publication "to bed" for good Wednesday ending a 128-year publishing legacy.

The paper's end came with no fanfare. The only difference between Wednesday's final edition and any other recent edition was a two-sentence notice printed on page 3 that read: "Today marks the final issue of the Citizen Journal. We appreciate your loyalty over the 120-plus years the Citizen-Journal has served your community."

The Citizen-Journal was published by Bellaire-based Up North Publications. A phone message left for Up North Publications publisher AJ Frattura Wednesday was not returned before press time today, Thursday.

In November Up North Publishing parent company Pennsylvania-based Journal Register Company announced that it had put several of its weekly newspapers in Michigan, Connecticut and Pennsylvania up for sale and several of its Northern Michigan weekly papers have been closed since then.

Last week Up North closed another of its Northern Michigan

weekly newspapers, the Town Meeting in Elk Rapids, with a similar two-sentence notice to readers.

The Journal Register Company's newspapers in Michigan previously numbered about 17. The company's Web site now lists only 11 including the Oakland Press, Macomb Daily, (Royal Oak) Daily Tribune, (Mount Pleasant) Morning Sun.

The Citizen-Journal has been owned by many different people over the years and has been known by several different names including The Citizen, The Charlevoix County Press, the Northland County Press and others.

A brief history of the paper posted on its Web site reads: "In 1974, the Northland County Press changed its name to the Charlevoix County Press."

Jim Silber, who owned the paper for nearly 15 years, was sad to see it go.

"It shows the economics of the area and the viability of businesses to survive by controlling their expenses and not advertising," he said.

Silber moved to Boyne City in 1981 after selling four community newspapers in the Flint area.

Then, in 1994, Hugh and Su-

san Conklin purchased the Press and changed its name to The Citizen, which historically had been the name of the newspaper for most of its 120-year history. The Conklins purchased the East Jordan Journal in 1997 and, in 1999, both papers were sold to 21st Century Newspapers.

The weekly newspaper, along with its sister publications The Antrim County News (Bellaire), The Leader and The Kalkaskoan (Kalkaska), The Town Meeting (Elk Rapids) and the Star Penny Stretcher, were most recently purchased by the Journal Register Company in 2004.

Former owner and current Boyne City Main Street program manager Hugh Conklin said he was disappointed to hear of the newspaper's demise.

"I hate to see any (business) die," Conklin said. "People are getting their news and information in other ways now, but I think community newspapers still have a viable use ... the trick is figuring out a how to make money doing it."

Speaking of the paper's abrupt end after such long connection to

the city's history, Conklin added, "I'd at least like to see it given a proper burial."

Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce executive director Jim Baumann, who served as the paper's editor from 1978 to 1981 described the news of the paper's end as "sad."

"(The newspaper) is an integral part of the community," Baumann said. "Truthfully, I would think and hope that some body would step up and start a new (paper) in some form or another."

Boyne City Mayor Eleanor

Stackus said she, too, was sad to hear the news noting that she and husband, Jim, had a long history with the newspaper both in their personal and professional lives.

"I think it's very important for a small town to have a local newspaper," Stackus said. "Not everyone in today's world is

technology minded. They need someplace where they can pick up a paper and find out what's going on in their community."

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Laying the groundwork: Charlevoix's road work

NOAH FOWLE
NEWS-REVIEW

Following the successful passage of last year's 15-year road millage in Charlevoix County, the county road commission's steering committee hopes to pair county road work with township plans in close proximity to one another.

Road commission manager Pat Harmon admitted particulars of the work still must be settled, but planning is already underway to get the most work out of money collected from the millage. However, when that money is collected is still undecided.

"We're looking to see if the money can be collected on the summer tax, if not it will come from the winter tax, and technically we wouldn't get any money for the work until 2010," said Harmon. "Everyone would like to see something happen before then someplace, but you have to have money to pay for the work."

According to the road commission's estimates, there are over 61 miles of county roads that need either wedge and overlay work or complete reconstruction.

In South Arm Township, the steering committee has already identified a pair of township projects that could be done in conjunction with the county work and provide

an opportunity to buy materials in greater quantity. Initial plans would schedule the township plans to work on Miles Road at the same time as the county plans to fix Ellsworth Road, and similarly schedule work on Dutchman Bay Road at the same time as work on Peninsula Road.

"If we can coordinate these projects together, we can save the tax payer money," said Harmon.

Harmon added he hopes to schedule the work on Beaver Island's Kings Highway at the same time as the airport's re-paving work in order to save on the significant transportation costs of hauling materials to the island.

John Vrondran chairs the steering committee and said although he wants to see work begin quickly, he warned against letting any additional aid slip through the county's grasp.

"We're trying to get in at the most economical time. We could get some money from the stimulus package for this and we're waiting to see where Obama is going," he said. "We want to know all of our options before we do anything. We have time and we're meeting with both state and federal representatives."

Looking for increased government aid to fund some of the road improvements in Charlevoix County is nothing

new. Last year, Rep. Kevin Elsenheimer, R-Bellaire, and Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, sent a joint letter to MDOT's director Kirk Steudle urging the state to assume jurisdiction of Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.

Others are not as confident in looking to either state or federal government for help.

"You can win an election on hope, but you can't build a road with it," said County Commissioner Chris Christensen. "We have to work with what we have not what we wish we had."

Harmon pointed out that with prices on asphalt coming down, there is an opportunity to stretch the dollars set aside for the work further.

"Last fall, prices were running over \$70 a ton, for this season it's any where between \$55 and \$60 a ton," he said. "Asphalt is an oil based project and it's coming down. We could see it drop some more, who knows?"

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City council balances proposed budget
Public hearing on financials in two weeks

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix City Council managed to balance their proposed 2009-2010 budget during a work session last week.

A mix of cuts to various budget items in addition to a series of proposed fee increases allowed the cities fiscal fathers to eliminate what would have amounted to a nearly \$90,000 deficit in the city's budget.

"I think this puts us in a better position because we really don't know what's going to happen this summer with revenues," said city treasurer Rick Brandt.

While the budget will not be finalized until after the 7 p.m., Feb. 16 public hearing has been held and council votes on the final measure, following are cuts to the proposed expenditures:

- Drop from \$15,000 to \$5,000 for aerial photography.

- \$2,000 reduction in spending on promotion;
- Remove funding for the historical district group for a total savings of \$5,000;
- Reduction in number of lifeguards from nine to six for a savings of \$12,000;
- \$30,000 in contingency funds from the general budget.

City council increased potential revenue through the following measures:

- Raise parking ticket fees from \$2 for basic infractions to \$5 for basic infractions for an estimated revenue generation of \$7,800 annually;
- Increase fees to place banners at each end of town to \$25; nonprofits would still not be charged, but they would be required to obtain a permit;
- Airport parking fees would be increased from \$2 to \$3; and a passenger fee of \$1 per flyer for an estimated revenue generation of \$15,000.

"I think the bottom line is they were able to end up \$1,800

to the good rather than \$87,500 to the negative," Brandt said. "So, I was very happy with that."

The next budget work session is scheduled for 5 p.m., Feb. 10 in council chambers, city hall.

The public hearing will occur at the previously stated date and time in the same location.

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A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

I thought the weather forecaster said no more than an inch of snow expected since the lakes were frozen over.

Five new inches of the fluffy stuff tells me there was an open puddle somewhere along the way.

I was quickly packing my car throwing in rented movies, recycling and things to be mailed when I accidentally tossed my car keys along with the items.

My efforts to combine shopping trips and errands to save fuel and the earth from my emissions didn't start out well this morning.

Unfortunately the keys didn't make it into the car. I let out a heavy sigh—okay maybe I said something else.

It was entertainment for passersby as I sifted through snow while my car was already running from the bump of the remote starter when it hit ice.

My act of saving time turned into more time and I realized maybe I was spreading myself a bit too thin trying to get too many things done in so little time.

We all are spreading ourselves thin these days with covering our expenses and donating to every worthy cause that's out there.

Trying to help others is a good thing but narrowing that focus is better.

I like to remind the many foundations in the area that they need to focus on cutting the number of projects they support and prioritize spending more on those they select to focus upon. Short term relief or providing support to the same projects end

lessly doesn't solve the financial need of those requesting money. Choose a mid-range time frame and provide more monies during this time period.

With so many requests we can't respond to all, so be selective and go deep. Sometimes decisions are based on emotion rather than available research.

I applaud Char-Em United Way's effort to require outcome based information from those seeking funds to determine where monies will be spent.

It follows the theme set by the president that we need to keep everyone accountable.

Our current financial crisis will be behind us in the years to come; five more years by my guess.

Here is my take on helping each other economically for repairs, cooking, baby-sitting and other assistance when you can't afford someone to help or repair. Share your skills where you can.

It's a good way to get to know others in the community especially since we presently are so bundled up we can't recognize each other. Another idea is to freeze the use of your credit card for one month and only use it in an emergency and see what your new bill looks like.

When you pay bills such as electric and heat round up to the next dollar and skip the cents so the next bill will show a credit.

It may save money and psychologically I like seeing credit on our bills. How many magazines have you piled up that you say you'll get around to reading?

Now is the time to cancel those subscriptions. Try having breakfast for an evening meal one night a week; it will reduce your food bill.

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Put your families hair, if not monthly, then every other haircut.

Maybe you have a friend who cuts hair and they'll do it in exchange for a meal or whatever skill you can trade off.

We can do our part by skipping the plastic surgery too. I hear in Yakima, Washington those surgeries are still up even in times of financial stress. Guess they want to look good even in the tough times.

Then again I hear the people living there really are too thin for all this cold weather.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS
Round Lake Bookstore has a sign on the front door encompassed by a red circle with a line through it which reads: "I absolutely refuse to participate in the recession."

"When America catches a cold, Michigan gets pneumonia."

I'm not advocating running off to the Dakotas, but I think a couple things need to be stated about mass hysteria—and that's really what low consumer confidence is—a recession is the perfect time for companies to trim the proverbial fat. Bob standing around the copy machine a little too long?

Bill napping at his desk? Joe working on side projects at his terminal? Maybe they could get away with such tomfoolery two years ago, but times is tight.

And, how many companies have simply used the excuse of the slumping economy to cut staff as a move to increase profit?

Not to mention—though I suppose I am—the unknown number of people who used the so-called housing crisis as an excuse to let a bank eat their unpaid burden?

I run into enough people on a weekly basis who say they are flush with work—any plumber among them—to know that not all of us have fallen for the hysterical cries of Armageddon.

As my old mother would say after one of us were injured or failed a task, "Pick yourself up by your boot straps, dust yourself off and get back out there."

Spring is just around the corner, we'll have a full summer uninterrupted by park construction, and gas is still less than \$2.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm going to find out where Dianne got her sign.

I absolutely refuse to participate in a recession



THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

"I absolutely refuse to participate in a recession."

The bad news is the credit market slowed, jobs have been cut and some of us are uncertain about our collective financial futures.

The good news is there is good news.

People are working; people are spending; people are expanding; and people are buying homes.

A recent discussion with a banker acquaintance of mine revealed that the rate of people refinancing their homes has shot

up eight-fold.

And, while some people have lost their house due to simple misfortune, irresponsibility or circumstances out of their control, real-estate is selling—slowly, but it's selling.

A realtor friend of mine said he thinks we've seen the bottom of the market, and while we're not looking at a home-selling boom in the immediate future, it may have stabilized.

GM announced during the North American International Auto Show recently that they will open a production facility for the lithium-ion batteries needed to run the GM Volt electric car.

The Gerber Products-Nestlé Nutrition company plans to pump \$75 million over a decade into its Fremont campus. In addition to retaining 1,100 Michigan jobs, it is expected to create 200 more jobs.

Look in your local classified section and you'll see help wanted for everything from truck mechanic and nurse to bikini oil wrestlers—no kidding; and, no,

I'm not applying.

Our own Beaver Island has secured a Boston Marathon qualifier foot race for next fall—a move that is sure to entice sight-seers, tourists, racers and fans to the area.

Hey, I get it. As a full-time doom and gloomer I know how easy it is to fall into the trap of oversimplification when thinking about the tough times we're facing.

I hear people say things like "There are no jobs," "nobody's buying houses" and "nobody's lending."

But, the truth is, people are surviving, there is no bread line on Bridge Street and mother mercy, every time I go to the store, it's packed with people buying goods.

One of the biggest factors, and problems, in this so-called recession is consumer confidence. As you may already have discovered, consumer confidence is low.

We need to fix that. Just like you can talk yourself into a panic attack or a deep, dark depression,

you can talk your way into an economic recession.

The guy at the coffee shop says business is slow; you go off to work and tell your coworkers the coffee shop is tanking; they go off and tell their friends the coffee shop is closing; people stop going to the coffee shop because, hell, he's shutting his doors anyway; and so it goes.

I'm not saying we can smile, chat or hope our way out of a less than desirable situation, but even a gloomy Gus like me has to see all the good that's going on around us.

Need more proof the earth hasn't fallen off its hinges? A New York Times piece on North Dakota asks "Recession? What Recession?"

OK, so they've got a \$1.2 billion budget surplus, a booming economy and just about the lowest unemployment in the country—we know Michigan is faring worse than most other states, but it shows that growth is happening, even if it's not right here.

As my father-in-law would say,

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LETTERS to the editor

ECONOMIC WOES FUEL WINTER BLUES

Editor:

Last month economists finally told us something most people in northern Michigan already knew: the U.S. economy has been in a recession since December 2007.

Bad economic news is not welcome any time of the year, but the ongoing financial crisis may be causing additional stress during the winter months when frigid temperatures, long periods of darkness and the after effects of stress-inducing holidays can lead people to feel profound sadness.

And the uncertainty of government leaders about how long the crisis will last, or what it will take to turn the economy around, can only exacerbate people's feelings of uneasiness.

Sometimes referred to as the "winter blues," people's deepening feelings of anxiety can often spread to the entire family. Marital fights flare up as spouses argue about overdue holiday bills and ask themselves "What do we do now?"

Children hearing parents argue and sensing family tension experience their own emotional upset.

A recent poll conducted by the American Psychological Association found that almost half of all adults said they are increasingly stressed about their ability to provide for their family's basic needs. In fact, about eight out of ten adults said that the economy is a significant cause of stress, up from 66 percent in April.

Here at home, it is difficult to believe that anyone is unaffected. From auto mechanics with fewer cars to work on, to stay-at-home parents wondering if they need to find jobs, to others worrying about layoffs, almost everyone is experiencing increased levels of stress and anxiety.

To help cope with what appears to be a long-term economic downturn, people can follow some simple guidelines.

Exercise, maintain a healthy diet and a normal sleep schedule—physical and mental health are connected.

Take charge of your immediate environment. If you're troubled by media coverage and conversations about the worsening economy, change channels, turn the page, or excuse yourself from the conversation.

Plan for the future as much as you can. The more action you can take, the more in control you'll be and the less stressed you'll feel.

Try to take a long view. Realize that it may be bad yesterday, it may be bad today, but that things over time will get better.

Volunteer and look for ways to answer needs in your local community. Helping others will give you a sense of accomplishment and take your mind off your own worries.

Focus on positive aspects of your life. Look to family and friends to support you.

If sadness and anxiety begin to adversely affect normal functioning—relationships, work, sleep, appetite and sex—professional help may be needed.

To contact North Country Community Mental Health, please call (800) 834-3393 or visit www.nccmh.org.

Alexis Kaczynski
Director of North Country Community Mental Health

GOOD-BYE BC-J

Editor:

You may have heard that the Citizen & Journal (Boyer Citizen-Journal) has closed its doors, as of today (Wednesday, Jan. 28).

They did not know it until last night.

So, Neighbors Column is also finished, I am sorry to say. But, guess I will look at it as I am finally retiring.

I want to say more than "thank you," more than "I have

appreciated your support all these years"—it really has been great knowing you, your families, your accomplishments; even just hearing from you, e-mail or over the phone, for over 30 long, happy, busy years.

Sad that our town no longer has a paper; but, who knows, these tough times can't last forever.

When something hits bottom, the only way out is up, so be of good cheer and God Bless you all.

Nancy Northup of the Neighbors

THANK YOU

Dear Mr. Knutson,

Thank-you so much for your article ("Gaza and us") of Jan. 28.

You clearly showed what a precarious position Israel is in and why it was necessary to take the steps they took to try to insure their safety.

I hope and pray we see a lasting peace during our lifetime.

Rhonda Raider
Charlevoix

WEDDINGS



Mathis-Smith

Cathenne Mathis of Kalkaska was married to Joseph Smith of Charlevoix, at 1 p.m. on Dec. 31, 2008 at the Kalkaska United Methodist Church with the Rev. Greg Wolfe and Rev. Neil Turner officiating. The bride's parents are Julius (dec.) and Betty Cavitch. The groom's parents were Joseph and Wilma Smith, both deceased of Charlevoix. The Matron of Honor was Barbara King and Best Man was Vern Cavitch. The reception was held at the Kalkaska United Methodist Church immediately following the service. The couple makes their home at the Tahquamenon Falls Home in Kalkaska.

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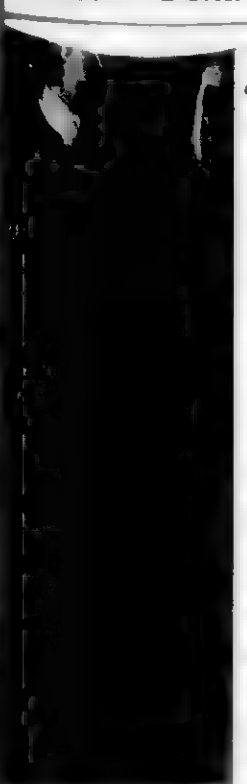
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Breathe Owl Breathe and NWA alumnus to play Northwest Academy hosting a band program fundraiser

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Folk group Breathe Owl Breathe and former Northwest Academy student Tammy Sundelius will join forces later this month for a concert to raise money for the school's band program.

Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$10 for students, \$15 at the door or \$35 for a family of four or more.

"Our musical department has several expenditures during the year that we need to cover," said Northwest band program director Gary Stutzman. "Music is vital to the education of our students and it is important that we maintain these instruments in good repair."

While students may provide their own respective in-

struments, the public school academy offers all students the opportunity to play an instrument.

"When I first started teaching here in 1996, we did an instrument purchase and bought all background instruments like baritone, tubas, baritone sax, tenor sax, bass clarinet—the bigger color instruments," Stutzman said. "We're getting 13 years old now and it's time we were replacing some of those instruments."

The evening of music will feature violin virtuoso Sundelius, who has been writing music since she was 9 years old.

"I had a rough childhood but it was in those lowest moments when I discovered my true love for music," Sundelius said. "I was adopted into

a Christian home when I was 11 and my mother enrolled me in piano lessons and I sort of took off from there with my singing and song writing."

She added, "I was pretty much raised in church and that is where my singing career really began. I knew I loved the stage from the very first time I stepped onto it and sang into the microphone."

Sundelius' mother told her that, if she learned the piano well, she would allow Tammy to take the violin lessons she so desperately desired.

"So for Christmas 2003, she bought me a violin and enrolled me into Northwest Academy my senior year for lessons," said Sundelius, who had been previously homeschooled. "I put together my

first cassette when I was 13. My second album came out when I was 17, and I just released this last one, "The Simple Things," in April of 2008, which is an album of songs I've written."

Grades four through eight are required to take band class at the school.

"I think kids get a great deal of satisfaction out of perfecting their part," Stutzman said. "My goal is that everybody grow in their own individual enjoyment of music."

He added, "Music is very important to the development of the youth because it uses repetition and a very structured approach."

Stutzman said people of all ages will enjoy the evening of music.

"Tammy's a very gifted individual and she accompanies herself on the piano in a very intriguing way," Stutzman said. "She's writing music to the poetry she writes, and when she sings, she does it in a very provocative way—it really makes you think."

The concert will begin at 7 p.m., Feb. 19 at the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

According to Breathe Owl Breathe, composed of Micah Muddaugh, Andréa Moreno-Beals, and Trevor Hobbs, their layering of guitar, cello, banjo, drum set and harmonizing vocals, as well as some unusual musical uses of instruments and other found objects, results in a very creative and original sound.

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United Way provides toy trucks for Project Connect



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UPS Manager, Doug Hall, and United Way Director, Martha Lancaster, inspect some of the 300 toy trucks that will be distributed at Project Connect.

Local children attending Project Connect on February 5 will receive a gift of toy trucks, thanks to the Association of Plastic Engineers, Char-Em United Way, and UPS.

"We learned that the Association of Plastic Engineers was donating 15,000 toy trucks through the Michigan Association of United Ways for local distribution, and decided to get as many as we could for our community," explains Martha Lancaster, Executive Director of Char-Em United Way. "We plan to distribute them to kids and parents attending Project Connect."

Doug Hall, Manager of the northern Michigan UPS office arranged to pick up the trucks in Lansing and deliver them at no cost to the United Ways in Potosky, Alpena, Cheboygan, and Gaylord.

Project Connect is a free day of services for anyone in need in our community. It will be held Thursday, February 5 from 10 a.m. - 6:30

p.m. at the K of C Hall on Charlevoix Ave. in Potosky. Volunteers and donations of other items are still needed.

"We were very happy to serve as an intermediary for this donation," continues Lancaster. "Most people know that United Way raises funds to invest in area agen-

cies, but many don't know that we are involved in many other activities, as well."

For more information about Project Connect or United Way, contact 231-487-1006 or info@charleunitedway.org.

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grades K - 7
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Monday, February 9, 10:30 - noon
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Writers Group

Monday, February 9, 6:00 pm
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Online Genealogy Resources

Wednesday, February 11, 10:30 - noon
This class will provide students a demonstration of several online genealogy resources. Please pre-register at 231-7340.

SAD? How to deal with Seasonal Affective Disorder

Thursday, February 12, 7:00 p.m.
Christine Dillon Leason, Children's Behavioral Specialist and Jennifer Towne, Occupational Therapist will give an overview of symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of Seasonal Affective Disorder.

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In loving memory of Virginia Maxine (Snyder) Burnett, 87, of Oceanside, Calif., died Jan. 27, 2009, at Tri City Medical Center, Oceanside, Calif.

There will be no service. Interment will be in Southern Cemetery, Central Lake.

Mrs. Burnett was born Feb. 11, 1921, in Davison, Mich., the daughter of Perry and Nora (Ashenfelter) Snyder. She was raised in Michigan and Ohio and was a long-time resident of the Charlevoix area prior to relocating to California to share a home

with her daughter, Sally McKay. On Sept. 26, 1936, she married Ralph C. Burnett who preceded her in death May 1994.

She was a lifetime member of the Order of Eastern Star No. 72 in Charlevoix.

She was a homemaker, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by two daughters, Betty David and her husband, Alvin, of Lake, Mich., and Sandy McKay and her husband, Bob, of Oceanside, Calif., with whom



Burnett

she shared a home. Her grandchildren include Brenda David of Charlevoix, Brian David of Bruce Crossing, Mich., Eugene David of Portland, Mich., Donald David of Eaton Rapids, Mich., Sharon (David) Jepsen of Elmira, Mich., Kenneth McGeorge of Louisiana, and Mark McGeorge of Florida, and six great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by sisters, Inez Coy, Babe Evans, Gleneth Sears, Juanita Burnett, and brothers, Charles Snyder and Richard Snyder.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Michigan Masonic Home, 1200 Wnght Ave., Alma, Mich. 48801.

www.carepages.com access name: VirginiaBurnett1.

Amber E. Dixon: Oct. 11, 1978 - Jan. 29, 2009

Amber Elizabeth Russell-Dixon, 30, of Bellare, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009, at her home. Funeral was 2 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the Community Church of God in Charlevoix, with the Reverend Neil Turner officiating.

Interment will take place in Brookside Cemetery.

Amber was born Oct. 11, 1978, to Gordon and Nancy (Whitley) Russell.

She was active in 4-H raising livestock, and enjoyed horseback riding and attending horse shows. Amber is a 1997 graduate of Charlevoix High School.

For the last few years, she's worked at Murray's in East Jordan, and at Shanty Creek in Bellare, and has been a full time mom.

Amber is survived by her children, Johnathan, McKenna, Joshua Dixon, and Morgan Danoff; father, Gordon Russell and his wife Sally Petrie; sister, Stacey and her husband William Strable IV; adopted brothers, Rick, James, and Kyle Russell; paternal grandfather, Garland Russell of East Jordan. Amber's mother Nancy preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the James Whitley family.

Friends may meet Amber's family at the Community Church of God beginning at noon on Tuesday until the time of the service.

Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

Christine Barnum: Sept. 22, 1926 - Jan. 30, 2009

Christine Barnum, 82, of Charlevoix, died Friday, Jan. 30, 2009, at the Grandview Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

She was born Sept. 22, 1926, in Dexter, Ga. to Joseph and Cornelia Bryant.

On Dec. 14, 1947, she married L.L. Col Robert A. Barnum in Macon, Ga.

They made their home in Charlevoix in 1968, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 28, 1994.

She is survived by her children, Bruce (Elizabeth) Barnum

of Seattle, Wash., Gretchen Grenell of Grand Blanc, Craig (Lela) Barnum of Wichita, Kan.; grandchildren, Paige, Halee, and Brooke Barnum.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Historical Society for the Charlevoix

Lighthouse Keepers, PO Box 525, Charlevoix, 49720.

There will be no local services, and interment will take place in Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

ENGAGEMENT

Dan and Patti Ulrich are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Ulrich and Brian Tremblay. Elizabeth graduated from Charlevoix High School 2003, Depauw University 2007, and is currently a graduate student at Ferris State University majoring in Optometry. Brian is a '96 Fenton High school graduate with degrees in zoology and business finance and got his teaching certificate all at MSU. Currently, he teaches science at Alba High School. His parents are Paul and Martha Tremblay/

Tom and Judy Brushaber, all from Fenton, MI. The marriage ceremony will be held at Camp-Hayo-West-Ha on Torch Lake where the couple met May 24, 2009.

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BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Eastman Road Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Michael Maurer 536-2161	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 2811 Upright Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Pastor: Michael Ayr 547-4221
BELLFLOWER REFORMED CHURCH 8031 Church Road, Ellsworth Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karloff	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH First Avenue from Post Office Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Church Office 547-4121
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Charlevoix County Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to accept public comments on the Draft Charlevoix County Future Land Use Plan at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2009 in the Pine Lake Room at the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan.

Both written and verbal comments will be accepted at the Public Hearing. Written comments will also be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on February 12, 2009 by hand delivery or mail at the Charlevoix County Planning Department, 301 State Street, Suite 11, Charlevoix, Michigan, 49720, by fax at 231-547-7248 or by email to planning@charlevoixcounty.org.

Planning Department staff will also be available to discuss the Draft Plan at the Pease Township Hall, 36625 Kings Highway on Beaver Island from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2009, at the Melrose Township Hall, 24289 M-75 N., Wallon Lake on Wednesday, February 11, 2009 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Copies of the Draft Plan are available for review at each of the Public Libraries in the County, at the Charlevoix County Planning Department, and online at www.charlevoixcounty.org. For more information, contact the Charlevoix County Planning Department at 231-547-7234 or planning@charlevoixcounty.org (L-2/4)

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Dated: February 4, 2009

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Archie L. Castile Jr., an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated March 5, 2004, and recorded on March 17, 2004 in Liber 603 on Page 046, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Five Hundred and 02/100 Dollars (\$95,051.31), including interest at 4.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at East quarter corner of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, thence South 89 degrees 13 minutes 20 seconds West along quarter line 1327.16; thence South 3 degrees 00 minutes West 73.13 feet for a place of beginning; thence South 80 degrees 56 minutes West 818.35 feet; thence North 16 degrees 18 minutes 55 seconds West 119.2 feet; thence North 4 degrees 19 minutes 05 seconds West 448.48 feet; thence North 29 degrees 15 minutes 15 seconds West 282.70 feet; thence South 71 degrees 18 minutes 25 seconds East 217.82 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East 263.30 feet; thence South 52 degrees 43 minutes 50 seconds East 328.28 feet; thence South 33 degrees 42 minutes 15 seconds East 235.32 feet; thence South 35 degrees 16 minutes 25 seconds East 262.02 feet to the place of beginning, being a part of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter and a part of the North half of the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

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closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as Lots 2 and 3, Block C, North Morgan's Addition to the Village of South Boyne (now City of Boyne City), according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 8, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David T. Moyer, s/a David T. Moyer and Annette Moyer, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Mortgage, dated May 5, 2005, and recorded on May 10, 2005 in Liber 681 on Page 52, in Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$103,666.90), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southeast corner of Lot 2, Block E, of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne, (now City of Boyne City); thence along the Northeast line of Boyne Avenue, (also known as Boyne Falls Road) South 46 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds East 66.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod being the Point of Beginning of the description; thence along the Southeast line of Hemlock Street North 42 degrees 55 minutes 02 seconds East 170.34 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the Southwest line of Wagonah Street (as existing), thence along the Southwest line of said street South 56 degrees 23 minutes 12 seconds East 72.47 feet to a 1/2 inch rod in the centerline of said street.

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terline of Evangeline Street (now abandoned); thence along said centerline South 0 degrees 18 minutes 01 seconds East 24.09 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence parallel with said Boyne Avenue North 46 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds West 6.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the Northeast line of said street; thence along said street North 46 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds West 80.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, being a part of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West (being Parcels A and D Combined).

Reserving therefrom an easement for ingress and egress and sewer maintenance over the following described parcel of land COMMENCING at a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southeast corner of Lot 2, Block E, of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne, (now City of Boyne City); thence along the Northeast line of Boyne Avenue, (also known as Boyne Falls Road) South 46 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds East 66.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence along the Southeast line of Hemlock Street North 42 degrees 55 minutes 02 seconds East 170.34 feet to the Southwest line of Wagonah Street (as existing); thence along said street line South 56 degrees 23 minutes 12 seconds East 72.47 feet to the West line of said Evangeline Street (now abandoned) being the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence continuing along the Southwest line of Wagonah Street (as existing); thence along said centerline South 0 degrees 18 minutes 01 seconds East 24.09 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence North 46 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds West 6.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence South 42 degrees 55 minutes 02 seconds West 39.75 feet to the West line of said Evangeline Street; thence along said street line also being the East 1/8 line of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, North 0 degrees 15 minutes 01 seconds East 69.72 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, being a part of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West.

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Dated: February 4, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Duncan M. Maclean and Judith K. Maclean, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. Mortgage, dated October 31, 2005, and recorded on November 8, 2005 in Liber 715 on Page 209, in Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee for J.P. MORGAN Mortgage Trust 2005-A2 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Five Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Eight and 62/100 Dollars (\$553,328.62), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Eveline, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 31, Town 33 North, Range 5 West, thence South 88 degrees 04 minutes 57 seconds East 742.50 feet along the North line of said Section 31; thence South 02 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds West 210.00 feet; thence South 02 minutes 14 seconds 53 seconds West 576.60 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along the centerline North 67 degrees 32 minutes 49 seconds East 231.15 feet; thence North 02 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds East 480.00 feet; thence North 67 degrees 45 minutes 07 seconds West 210.00 feet; thence South 02 minutes 14 seconds 53 seconds West 576.60 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated: February 4, 2009

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 6, 2009.

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Dated: January 29, 2009
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Mortgages/Assignees
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 82 Springbrook Hills No. 1 as described in document No. 330-255, Charlevoix County Records.

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OBITUARIES

Max H. Smith:
Apr. 19, 1913 - Jan. 30, 2009

Longtime Petoskey High School band director Max Hastings Smith of Central Lake, and formerly of Petoskey, died peacefully Jan. 30, 2009 at Sunnybank Assisted Living in Charlevoix.

Mr. Smith was band director at Petoskey Public Schools for 32 years and at Charlevoix Schools for 7 years, turning out generations of instrumentalists. He also arranged the school song for both Petoskey High School and Charlevoix High School.

Max was born on April 19, 1913 in Lapeer County, to Rufus William and Teena (Hastings) Smith. Growing up in Sandusky, Michigan, he discovered his love of music at Sandusky Public Schools, where he first played saxophone and then clarinet.

He graduated from Michigan State College (now Michigan State University) in 1936, with a B.M. degree in Band, Cadet Band, and Dance Orchestra. During his time at MSU he was a student of the world renowned Leonard Falcone. While attending MSU, Max was also a member of the Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity.

After graduation Max accepted a position as instrumental music teacher and band director for Charlevoix Public Schools and the Charlevoix City Band. While there he met his wife Ione Smith who was the biology and chemistry teacher.

They married on August 24, 1940 at Ione's family cottage on Torch Lake.

Max became band director at Petoskey Public Schools in 1943.

During his 32 year career the band program grew from 25 young musicians to over 300. His hands were awarded the Division I rating 41 times in the District Band and Orchestra Festivals.

In addition, Max served as an adjudicator at state and district level festivals throughout his career. From 1936 to 1943 Max was a faculty member and clarinetist for the Bay View Association Conservatory of Music and Music Festival under the direction of Fred Patton. During those same years, Max also enjoyed serving as director of the Charlevoix City Band.

Max was a past member of the First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey where he served as both Elder and Deacon. After retiring in 1975, Max and

Ione moved to Central Lake. There he enjoyed gardening and shared his vegetables and daffodils with the community. He also continued his love of music by serving as Bell Choir Director for the First Congregational Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 49 years, Ione, his sister Lois and his parents.

Survivors include his daughter Meryl (Paul) Schave of Howell, three sons: Brook (Jean) of Crystal Falls and



Smith

Torch Lake: Hugh (Suzie) of Royal Oak, and Clark (Sally) Smith of Petoskey. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren: Steven (Kris) Schoen, Kevin Schoen, Jennifer (Dustin) Slater, Emily Schoen, Blake (Suzi) Smith, Sara (Bob) Batzold, Nancy Smith, Todd Smith, Laurel (Brian) Gietzen, Scott Smith, Kelly Smith, Angela Smith, Bradley Smith, and eight great-grandchildren.

The family would like to thank the staff of Sunnybank Assisted Living of Charlevoix, Bayfront Home Health Care, Hospice of the Northwest Community Health Agency and the Commission on Aging for the loving and skilled care they provided Max during his last days. Additionally, the family thanks friends from the First Congregational Church of Central Lake and the Central Lake community who devoted many hours enhancing Max's life.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 5, at the First Congregational Church of Central Lake, with Pastor David Wood officiating. The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortenson Funeral Homes. Interment will take place this spring at Southern Cemetery, Central Lake Township.

Those wishing to honor Max's memory with a charitable donation are to consider the First Congregational Church of Central Lake, or the Antrim County Commission on Aging Meals on Wheels Program.

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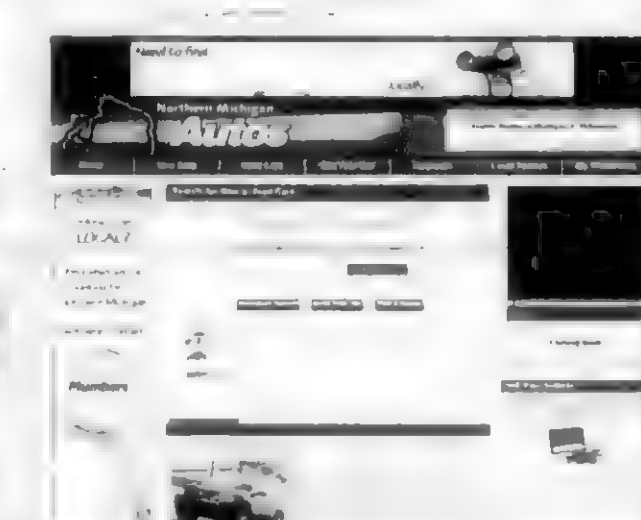
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Prep skiing: Harbor girls ride strong GS to Lake Michigan win

The Harbor Springs girls' ski team put forth a solid effort in giant slalom in earning a Lake Michigan Conference meet victory Thursday, Jan. 30 at Nub's Nob.

The Rams, who placed four skiers in the top 10 in GS, won the six-team meet with 46 points. Traverse City St. Francis was second with 56, followed by Boyne City, 92; Grayling, 131; Charlevoix-East Jordan, 176; and Elk Rapids, 203.

St. Francis won the boys' meet with 53 points, while Boyne City was second, 62; and Harbor Springs was third, 89. Charlevoix-East Jordan, 157, was fifth.

Harbor's Andi Shepherd won the girls' GS in 51.79 seconds, and she was runner-up in slalom. Boyne's Cristina Roland won the slalom in 57.30. Shepherd's time was 59.24.

Harbor's Drake Doherty won the boys' slalom in 56.37, while Kaleb McNamara of Boyne won the GS in 50.07.

Also for the Harbor girls in GS, Cooper Dendel was second, Cecile Walsh was seventh, Kana Olsen placed ninth, and Morgan Mooradian was 13th.

"The girls team rose to the occasion and skied solidly in slalom and then dominated the field in GS," said Harbor coach Jane Ramer, whose team finished first in GS with 18 points. "They went into this meet missing Alli Mooradian, who was injured at the Traverse City Invitational, but they are all stepping it up and showing some depth."

In slalom, Dendel was fourth, Mooradian was 10th, Walsh, 12th, and Olsen, 16th.

McNamara paced the Boyne boys with his win in GS, while Mike Corringht was third in GS and fifth in slalom. McNamara also was sixth in slalom.

Also for the Ramblers, Tom Hague was 10th in GS, 11th in slalom, Dean Hague placed 10th in slalom, 17th GS; Andy Blossom was 16th in GS, 18th slalom; and Paul Solomon placed 19th in slalom, 31st GS.

Harbor's Doherty followed his victory in slalom by taking second in GS, while Harbor's Dan Davis was ninth in GS and Robert Mathews, 12th slalom. Mathews also placed 15th in GS.

Also for the Harbor boys, Greg Gallagher was 12th in GS and Evan Maunders, 13th GS. In slalom for the Rams, Jeff Parson was 16th and Davis, 32nd.

"The boys team skied well in

the GS, but had some issues in the slalom," Ramer said. "They needed to find the finish in slalom."

Boyne City's Roland placed a team-best third in GS, while Morgan Harding was fifth in GS and Kaitlyn Bohnet, ninth GS. Also in GS for the Rambler girls, Brenna Cheadle was 27th, while Megan Cytacki was 30th and Kelsey Kruzel, 31st.

In slalom for the Rambler girls, Kruzel was 14th, followed by Bohnet, 17th; Harding, 19th; Cheadle, 20th; and Cytacki, 25th.

Justin Williams led the Charlevoix-East Jordan boys as he placed a team-best ninth in slalom. Williams was also 18th in GS.

Other Charlevoix-East Jordan boys skiers were Tanner Fisher, 14th GS, 26th slalom; Paul Stolt, 27th GS, 29th slalom; Brian Shuter, 30th slalom; Luke Hawley, 30th GS; Jordan Haden, 34th slalom, 36th GS; and Joe Hudakastu, 34th GS, 35th slalom.

For the Charlevoix-East Jordan girls, Emily Bajko was 11th in GS, while Mary Gocha placed 18th in slalom.

Other Charlevoix-East Jordan girls' skiers were Jenna Kirby, 23rd slalom, 32nd GS; Amanda Fritsch, 25th GS, 27th slalom; Christina Russell, 26th slalom, 34th GS; and Ellen Boyer, 31st slalom, 36th GS.

Rayders hold on: top Red Devils in league contest

Charlevoix has had a knack in the past decade or so of pulling out games in the fourth quarter.

The Rayders went to that well again on Wednesday, Jan. 28.

Charlevoix outscored East Jordan, 17-5, in the final eight minutes in posting a hard-fought 56-44 win to remain perfect in the Lake Michigan Conference.

"East Jordan had a great game plan," said Charlevoix coach Keith Haske, whose team is 9-1 overall, 6-0 in the league, and ranked fifth in the Associated Press Class C state poll. "They played a couple defenses we struggled with. I thought they played a great game. I really did. I thought we were fortunate to win."

"We just hung around long enough to win. It was tough; it was hard work all night."

Jon Putman scored 15 points, Tyler Jones had 11 and Brock Yenglin added 10 to lead Charlevoix. Weston Bryan added 10 rebounds and seven steals.

Michael Becker scored 12 points and James Brown added 10 for the Red Devils. 7-4, 4-2 Darryl Bingham scored nine points and grabbed 14 rebounds for East Jordan, and Michael Hines had nine points and 10 rebounds.

The game turned early in the fourth quarter on a six-point Charlevoix possession.

With the score tied, 41-41, East Jordan was whistled for a personal foul and a technical foul. Thomas Parrish and Putman made all four free throws, then Bryan scored on the ensuing possession to give the Rayders a 47-41 advantage.

"That was definitely the swing point, no doubt about it," Haske said.

East Jordan cut its deficit to three, 47-44, but the 3-pointer was the Red Devils' final score of the night. Charlevoix made 13 of its 19 fourth-quarter free throw attempts, while the Red Devils were 0-for-5 from the

charity stripe in the final eight minutes.

"Definitely there was a lot of effort and lot heart out of the kids," East Jordan coach Darrin Weber said.

Joe Filipiak scored 21 points and Josh Nitchman added 17 to lead Charlevoix to a 69-61 win in the JV game. For East

Jordan, Dustin Mellos had 13 points, 10 rebounds; and Derek Boyer scored 13 points.

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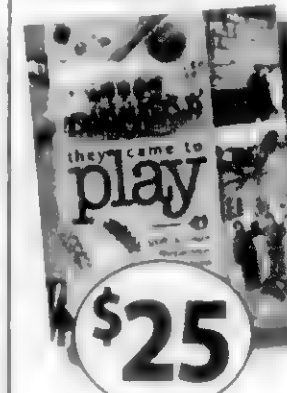
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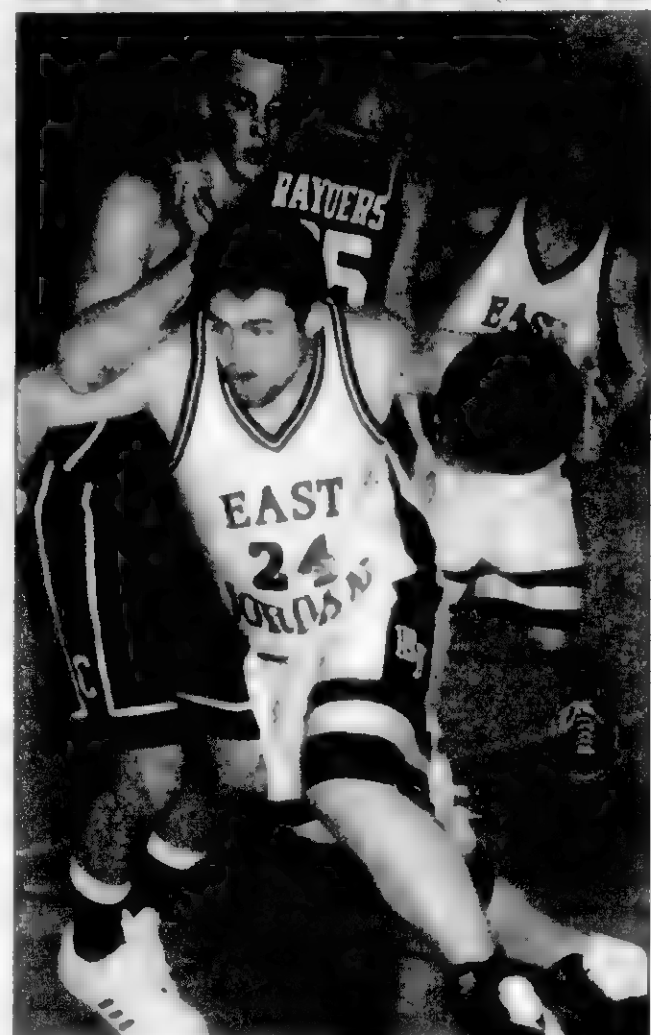


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SPORTS reviewing the action



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Charlevoix Stingrays beat the Traverse City Breakers for the first time

On Saturday, Jan. 24, 41 Stingray swim team members traveled by bus to compete against the Traverse City Breakers and the Kalkaska Cruisers. Charlevoix won the meet with 359 points, Traverse City was 2nd with 300 points. Drew Barger (6) swam in his first swim meet. Placing first for the Stingrays were Zach Henkins, Sam Lee, Luke Klingler, Brody Robarge, Alex Gooch, Aaron Malewitz, Cory Agmal, Casey Riley, Eric Agami, JT Van Meter, Ethan Siegwert, Keon Taylor, Brad Klingler, Christina Barutt, Ali Schwein, Chrystal Schemanski, Ivy Wells, Collin Davis, Trevor Kadlec, Peter Anthony, Sharron Agami, Drew Barger, Basia Korneoly, McKenna Ebert, Elizabeth Barutt, Gracie Smith, Ray Cunningham, Brett Siegwert, Abby Cunningham, Molly Anthony and Matt Robinson. Any swimmer between the ages of 6 to 18 and is able to swim the length of the pool is welcome to be a part of the Stingray team. For more information contact the pool at 547-0982. The Stingrays travel to Gaylord on Feb. 7.

High school girls' basketball: Rayders remain two up in Lake Michigan Conference

Charlevoix put together a fine defensive effort in the middle two quarters Thursday, Jan. 29 and as a result, extended its girls' basketball win streak to six.

The Rayders held East Jordan to just six second-quarter points en route to 58-36 Lake Michigan Conference win over East Jordan.

The Rayders are 10-2 overall and 7-0 league, two games

ahead of Kalkaska and Traverse City St. Francis, who share second place at 5-2. East Jordan, which lost its third straight, is 3-9, 2-5.

Tammy Potter had 18 points including a pair of 3-pointers to lead the Rayders, while Erica Faust added 13 points and Shauna Spencley had 12.

Charlevoix trailed 12-11 after the first, but built a 29-18 lead by the end of the second

quarter. The middle quarters got us," East Jordan coach Sean Ferguson said. "They beat us up on the boards and at half time, we had just three defensive rebounds. Most of their points in the first half came on putbacks or from the free throw line."

"We just needed to correct that problem."

For East Jordan, Grace Howes had 10 points, nine rebounds and four steals, while Tanner McCune and Andi Chew had nine points apiece.

"I thought we played well," Ferguson said. "The effort was there and that's what we wanted. We played with more enthusiasm."

Charlevoix won the JV game, 59-9.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Ski results: Northern Michigan Ski Academy

The Northern Michigan Ski Academy had their second race of the season at Boyne Mountain on Sunday, January 25. The slalom course down Thunder was tougher than many of the skiers expected.

The top three finishers of each group are as follows:

Girls 7 and under: first Jenna Good, 7 of Charlevoix; second Madeline Malpass, 7 of East Jordan; third Marlee Shepherd, 7 of Harbor Springs.

Boys 7 and under: first Luke Whittle, 6 of Boyne City; second Cole Hoffman, 6 of Harbor Springs; third Blaise

Snabes, 6 of Charlevoix.

Girls 8 and 9: first Ashlyn Kartes, 9 of Boyne City; second Maddy Fuhrman, 9 of Harbor Springs; third Abbey Scholten, 8 of Charlevoix.

Boys 8 and 9: first Ethan Siegwart, 8 of Charlevoix; second Keon Taylor, 8 of Charlevoix; third Quinten Kuhn, 8 of Boyne City.

Girls 10 and 11: Winter Vinecki, 10 of Gaylord; second Abby Bohnet, 10 of Petoskey; third Alexa Wepisier, 11 of Harbor Springs.

Boys 10 and 11: first Spencer Binkley, 10 of Boyne City; Silas Lee, 10 of Petoskey;

third Bobby Sherman, 10 of East Jordan.

Girls 12 and 13: first Rose Pellegron, 13 of Harbor Springs; second Dana Reynolds, 13 of Charlevoix; Mia Ciccarelli, 12 of Boyne Falls.

Boys 12 and 13: first Corey Bohnet, 13 of Petoskey; second Kory Skop, 12 of Boyne Falls; Landon Kartes, 12 of Boyne City.

Girls 14 and over: Ganac Zeitle, 16 of West Branch.

Boys 14 and over: Ben Loomis, 14 of Petoskey; second Joe Loomis, 15 of Petoskey.



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Advancement testing

The advanced black belt testing which recently occurred in Fenton yielded several promotions for instructors and students at Northern Martial Arts of Charlevoix including (from left) head instructor Steve Sutton to second degree, Hapkido Sun Moo Kwan Grandmaster Dave Weatherly, who administered the testing, master instructor Tim Bruce to a fourth degree and Logan Nuttall to a first degree.

SPORTS reviewing the action

Boys basketball: Charlevoix 93, Cheboygan 87

Senior Brock Yenglin scored 21 points, grabbed eight rebounds and hit three free throws in the waning seconds as the Rayders held on for a non-league win Monday, Jan. 26.

Charlevoix, 8-1, led by 20 points with about five minutes left in the game before Cheboygan charged back on the strength of three 3-pointers, cutting its deficit to three points with 18 seconds remaining.

"They did a great job coming back," Charlevoix coach Keith Haskes said.

For Charlevoix, Weston Bryan and Thomas Parrish scored 17 points apiece, while Jon Putman and Justin Friske added 12 each.

Trevor Closs scored 25 points and Jordan Spahn added 18 for Cheboygan, 6-4.

Charlevoix won the JV game 80-39. Boog Nitchman and Joe Filupak had 15 points apiece for the Rayders.

Charlevoix won the freshmen game 91-67. Keegan LeBlanc scored 25 points and Colby Herriman added 20 for the Rayders.

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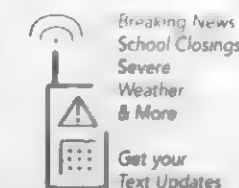
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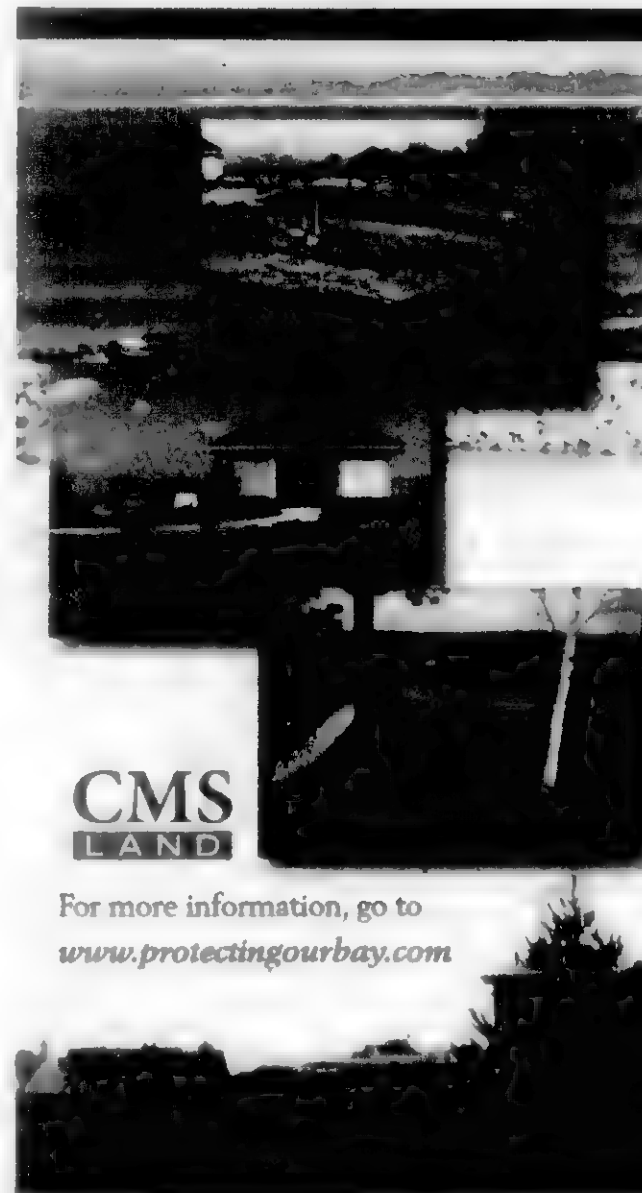
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IRS e-file, a fast way to your refund

Use care in choosing a tax preparer; you may incur some charges depending on your circumstances

Friday when the Internal Revenue Service flips the switch to begin accepting electronic returns, the number streaming in from Michigan will likely be on the increase. And many will probably be filed using the IRS's new online, fillable tax forms.

The IRS expects nearly 70 percent of Michiganders to e-file this year, either through their preparers or on their own. That would mean that close to 3 million Michigan filers will have scrapped paper and pen in favor of the computer mouse, an increase of about 8 percent over last year.

Filers will have more reasons than ever to make the switch to e-file with the IRS announcing the Jan. 16 opening of an expanded e-file program, highlighted by new tax forms that can be filled in and e-filed online, a feature that will allow virtually anyone to e-file at no cost.

"With eight out of 10 taxpayers in Michigan getting money back, more taxpayers than ever will want a fast refund this year," said IRS spokesman Luis D.

Garcia, "E-filing isn't just fast, it provides practically error-free tax returns and gives a confirmation of receipt by the IRS."

According to Garcia, taxpayers who combine e-filing with direct deposit usually get a refund in 10 days or less. Filers who owe taxes can also enjoy the accuracy, ease and safety of e-filing now and can still keep their money until the last minute by authorizing an April 15 direct debit to the IRS.

"People looking to hold down the cost of filing their taxes need

to use IRS Free File," Garcia said. Now all taxpayers can file online for free.

For those with Adjusted Gross Incomes of \$56,000 or less in 2008—70 percent of all taxpayers—Free File offers 20 different software companies that can assist taxpayers. Most Michigan taxpayers qualify for free online tax preparation and e-filing through Free File.

For everybody else, the online fillable forms can be completed and submitted right

online to the IRS for free. While this method does not provide the interview screening and assistance that most tax preparation

software has, it does provide the same speed and security. The IRS began the e-file program in 1986 as a pilot project in three cities: Cincinnati, Phoenix and Raleigh-Durham, N.C.

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Island Airways: now Operating FAA-approved air ambulance

ELAINE WEST SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

On Monday, Jan. 12, Island Airways began operating a Federal Aviation Administration-approved Air Ambulance service. Stable patients will be transported to the airport of their choice on the mainland where they can be met by a ground ambulance to complete the transport to a hospital.

The process to gain approval from the FAA was a complicated and time consuming

project. "We started on this in mid summer of last year," said Island Airways President Angel Welke.

Neal Boyle, Director of Maintenance at Island Airways, began the process by contacting other air charters offering Air Ambulance services for information on their operations. One company in the state of Washington, strangely enough also named "Island Airways," was extremely helpful in providing him with insight into the certification process and practical

considerations.

Boyle pursued FAA approval of a stretcher designed to fit inside specially configured Britten Norman Islanders. The steel framed stretcher locks in on tracks in the planes, also allowing for an attendant seat to be utilized by the paramedic assisting in the patient transport. The front row of seats can also be left inside the plane, allowing space for family members to accompany the patient.

The stretcher weighs about 80 pounds and is designed to accept a patient on a backboard.

It takes two crew members only about three minutes to lock the stretcher assembly into place. All crew members have been trained for the procedure. Boyle wrote the training plan and updated their operation manual, both required for the FAA approval.

Paul and Angel Welke funded the engineering, certification and purchase of the stretcher. "It

was a substantial investment," said Angel Welke. "We did it for the company but mostly for the Island community."

Formerly, one difficulty faced by patients being transported to the mainland was getting reimbursement for the service from their insurance company. "Now, with FAA approval, upwards of 50 to 60 percent of patients will be reimbursed," said Welke.

She went on to explain that Island Airways will not be in-

volved in direct billing to the insurance company for the Air Ambulance service but will provide patients with a copy of the official FAA certification form which many insurance policies will honor.

"We'll do what we can to assist our customers," said Welke.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: LOT NO. 2 OF RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TAX ID NO. 15-015-050-002-00.

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Estate of Florence Ruth Porter
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Sunken shipwreck claimed

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thought it had already taken the steps necessary to indicate interest in the ship. State officials seemed to have taken it as a sign no one was interested.

However, France has indicated interest prior to the most recent filing, Libert explained. "France stated its claim of interest in the earlier proceeding several years ago through the U.S. Department of State," he stated in an e-mailed response to questions. "It confirms what Great Lakes Exploration has been saying all along: The shipwreck is not abandoned and is owned by the people of France."

It is impossible to say whether the state will oppose France's claim to ownership of the vessel since, despite attempts by both e-mail and phone, officials in the Michigan Attorney General's office did not respond.

The state, which only last month questioned whether the debris Libert found is Le Griffon, has filed for the case to be dismissed. Great Lakes Exploration had until today, Wednesday, Feb. 4, to respond to the challenge in court.

Robol said the matter was otherwise pretty much at a standstill.

"Because of the nature of the location, there wouldn't be a lot going on anyway," he said. "I think the ideal situation is if the parties can work together to come up with a joint program to explore the shipwreck site and determine whether, in fact, it is the Griffon."

Despite the state's stance that the wreck is both embedded and abandoned, Libert said U.S. citizens have the civil right to apply admiralty law in the investigation of unidentified historic shipwreck sites.

"This right is protected by the U.S. Constitution and many years of case law under the public trust doctrine," he stated, adding that the Abandoned Shipwreck (ASA) Act of 1987 encourages cooperation among governments and the private sector.

"Unfortunately, the State of Michigan has never seriously attempted to comply with the ASA [sic] guidelines," Libert stated. "In addition, the State of Michigan has no formal, written policy; no administrative rules; and no statewide plans for either the management of our underwater preserve system or the conduct of underwater archaeology in Michigan."

He added, "And, the one Michigan statute dealing specifically with historic shipwrecks applies only to abandoned shipwrecks—it does not technically apply to unidentified sites where abandonment has not been established."

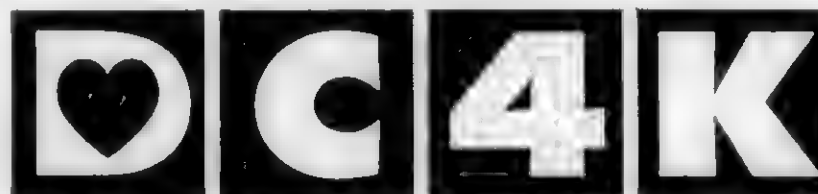
Libert closed by saying that, since Michigan manages more coastal waters than any other state except Alaska, they certainly should have at least one staff member with maritime and admiralty law experience.

Christensen closed by thanking the two for their years of service.

While the bulk of the board supported the terminations, District 1 commissioner Shirlene Thyp and District Five commissioner Bob Drebenstedt voted against removing Doty and Easley.

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Economy forces a look at employee work ethic

AUDIT Continued from page 1

Easley averaged inspections on 47 percent and 59 percent respectively of days worked per month. Those numbers contrast with fellow employees who worked individual percentages of 79, 83, 82, 86, 90 and 84 over the same 36 month period.

Christensen declined to detail every reason why the two were released from employment citing that it was a personnel issue and he did not want to cause the two any more hardship than they might already be enduring, but he did issue the following statement:

"This decision (to terminate Doty and Easley) was based on employee's performance statistics covering the last three years, budget decisions made by the department, and overall work environment," he stated in an undated letter. "These two were long-time employees and it was a hard decision to make, but it was the best decision for Charlevoix County."

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Charlevoix High School students' art work is on display at Charlevoix Public Library.

Now through Feb. 20 Applications for summer art camp scholarships are being accepted. To get more information or to get an application, contact a guidance office or art teacher at either Charlevoix Middle or High Schools. The funds are released from the Enduring Arts Scholarship fund and two scholarships to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp will be awarded.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

52nd season at Mt. McSaubia

Mt. McSaubia kicked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cams to catch the snowboarders' action and more.

Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community-wide cause, call recreation director Ike Boss at 547-3253.

Visit www.mtsaubia.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nsa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in

Charlevoix:

Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at . Call 547-4221 for more information;

Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNM

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society museum winter hours: The museum is closed January and February. The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.
• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers"

educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule:
• Feb. 5 - Volunteer Monitoring: Programs and Results
• Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities

• March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers

• March 12 - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mhines@cah.org.

FEB. 5

Dema's county convention
At 7 p.m., Feb. 5 at the Boyne City Public Library's meeting room, the Charlevoix County Democratic Party will hold its county convention. Public is invited. Call 547-3592 for more information.

FEB. 5 THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Amelie on Feb. 5, Blue Velvet on Feb. 19, A Simple Plan on March 5, Lo Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

FEB. 7

Baseball camp

The camp on Feb. 7 runs from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. with hitting/fielding from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; pitching/catching from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

FEB. 8 THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion
Economic meltdown, Ber-

nie Madoff, off-shoring, subprime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college?

Are you interested in learning more about economics -- what the words mean, basic concepts, pointers on personal finance?

The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.:

February 8 - "How Economists Think" and "Division of Labor"

February 22 - "Supply and Demand" and "Price Floors and Ceilings"

March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages"

March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

FEB. 11

Charlevoix schools budget forum

From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Feb.

FEB. 12

Future land use plan hearing

At 7:15 p.m., Feb. 12, the county planning commission will host a public hearing on its draft of a future land use plan for Charlevoix County. The meeting is open to the public. The Pine Lake Room is in the basement of the county building, 301 State St., Charlevoix.

Organ transplant support group

At 6 p.m., Feb. 12, at Professional Medical Building conference room, 825 North Center/US27 in Gaylord. Call (989) 983-4188 or e-mail bevo@core.com.

S.A.D. presentation.

Learn all about Seasonal Affective Disorder from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Feb. 12 at the Charlevoix Public Library. North Country Community Mental Health staff will present an overview of the disorder followed by a question and answer period.

FEB. 17

Tai Chi classes

Six-week Tai Chi classes for beginners at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at Charlevoix Public Library community room "B"; intermediate meets 11 a.m. at the same location and day. Open

FEB. 14

Low-cost groceries for all

At 7 p.m., Feb. 14 at Charlevoix Public Library

Angel Food Ministries February orders will be taken from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Feb. 14 at Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene and 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine River apartments (residence only).

For further information call Bob and Edna Fales at 547-9346 and or (810) 304-0375.

FEB. 17

Everest climber speaks

Louis Kasischke happened to survive one of the worst disasters in Mount Everest history.

Kasischke will tell his story at 7 p.m., Feb. 17 at Charlevoix Public Library. Kasischke talks of the people facing enormous internal and external challenges. His is the story of leadership, teamwork, and decision making all which helped him survive. Kasischke tells this heroic story through his own words and photographs. Call 237-7340 for more information.

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to all; cost is \$12 for seniors; \$40 for those younger than 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 or e-mail megpots@global.net

FEB. 21

Mardi Gras Masquerade

From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Feb. 21, St. Mary School is hosting a fundraiser at Castle Farms with a costume contest, cash bar, mystery raffle, live entertainment and more.

Tickets, which cost \$30 per person are available at the Charlevoix Screenmasters and Castle Farms. Call 547-5111 for more information.

FEB. 21 THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St.

Classes:
• Beginning Rug Hooking - 9:30 to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 21 - \$45
• Introduction to Egg Tempera - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 7 - \$85

• The Figure in Clay - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 14 - \$95

• Raku Firing Workshop - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18 - Cost \$85

Exhibits:
• Healing H'Arts - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Feb. 14 for open reception; drop off your work between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Feb. 9 or 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 10. Exhibit lasts until March 31.

Ongoing events:
• Life Drawing Open Studio - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 21, March 21, April 18 and May 16 - cost is \$12 for members; \$10 for others.
Call 547-2333 for registration and further details or visit www.circle-of-arts.org.

FEB. 28

Scrapbooking for all

From 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Public Library, scrapbookers new and experienced are invited to join. Visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Char-Em-Scrapbookers> for more information.

MARCH 31 THROUGH MAY 26

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library. The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

• March 31 - "Kiss your Gas Goodbye - Living Well in the New Economy" from Richard Heinberg, America's foremost Peak Oil Educator. An informative look at energy transitions, substitution, and economic relocalization.
• April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours

- A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

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Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

Lions support kids camp



COURTESY PHOTO

At a recent Charlevoix Lions Club luncheon club vice-president, Roger Nesburg is shown presenting a check from the Club's new Camp Daggett Scholarship Fund to Camp Daggett Development Director, Jennifer Booher. The club's Camp Daggett Board of Directors. The money will help kids in need with their camp fees. In addition the Lions regularly perform work projects at the camp on a cabin assigned to them. Of the 36 Lions-supported beneficiaries, 17 of them are specifically youth oriented.

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School vandal case to trial

Judge denies third felony charge

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Former Charlevoix High School student Austin Wilhelm will go to trial for his alleged role in the May 2008 vandalism at the school.

The Feb. 3 preliminary examination featured a high-profile attorney, a witness flown in from another state and allegations of tampering with evidence—elements generally reserved for Tinseltown crime capers.

But, said Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jaroma, "This is not your average vandalism case. This case is unlike any other because the investigation continues up to, and through, trial."

While pursuing two charges against 19-year-old Wilhelm: breaking and entering with intent, a 10-year felony; and malicious destruction to a building, damage of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, a five-year felony—Jaroma also tried to convince the court that someone tampered with evidence on May 21, which was the day the destruction of the building and trades project house was discovered.

Jaroma made a motion to add the charge of evidence tampering to the case, but the judge denied it based on the testimony of officers who could not recall whether the item in question—a pair of paint-covered sweatpants seized and photographed at the Wilhelm residence—had been placed into its own bag or separated

from other evidence gathered from the Wilhelm home.

Wilhelm's defense attorney Mary Beth Kur questioned several officers involved on why they waited so long—apparently nothing was done about the missing evidence until nearly a week ago—to become concerned about the so-called missing evidence. No clear answer was given.

The people in the Wilhelm house that day were questioned during the Feb. 3 preliminary exam and all three denied removing the evidence.

"I think it's important to note that the malicious destruction to a building, damage of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, a five-year felony—Jaroma also tried to convince the court that someone tampered with evidence on May 21, which was the day the destruction of the building and trades project house was discovered."

She added, "I couldn't believe they wanted to add that after sitting on it for eight months and doing nothing about it."

The prosecutor's office believes Wilhelm entered through an unlocked window on the small modular project house which the Charlevoix High

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COURTESY PHOTO

Author of an upcoming book about Castle Farms concert history Duane Roy is seen here with rock-n-roll legends Ozzy Osbourne on one of Roy's many visits to the Castle.

Canadian to author book of Castle concerts
Duane Roy muses on Charlevoix's rock-n-roll historyBY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Whether it was when he posed with Ozzy Osbourne or the time his mother was at the movies with Anthrax, Wawa, Ontario resident Duane Roy has many fond memories of Castle Farms.

The 39-year-old Canadian gold miner is currently compiling his favorite stories from the days when the castle meant rock and roll—and plenty of it.

"I've been to over 150 concerts in four countries, and the 10 shows I saw at the castle still are the greatest of my life," Roy said. "The Castle was the biggest thing in northern Ontario; it was a rite of passage to make the trek from Wawa and head

south—the biggest adventure teenagers from Wawa could be a part of."

He added, "Basically, if you hadn't been to the Castle you weren't 'in.' When my buddies and I sit around and have a few beers the discussion is always about The Castle: 'Remember when: remember the time?' no matter how many times we retell the story, we laugh and reminisce."

Some of Roy's favorite concerts at the castle include Whitesnake, AC-DC, Judas Priest, Scorpions, David Lee Roth, Bon Jovi, Ozzy Osbourne, Poison and Aerosmith.

Roy said he began writing the book in 1987 when he attended his first concert at the castle.

"I felt the immediate attraction of the area, the people, and the history. The first search I ever did when I got the Internet was about Castle Farms and the bands that played there," he said. "I scoured the bootleg site for live recordings—which were very hard to find—and little pieces of information were filed away: ticket scans, pictures, stories, any little tidbit that I could find was filed for future use."

Roy hopes to have the work completed by midsummer, and said his work should reach a wide audience.

"Obviously any fans of the castle, from people who attended concerts there, fans of music in general and hopefully chil-

dren of castle-goers who have heard the same stories over and over again can actually read stories from other people who have attended concerts," he said. "People who lived in the area and saw the madness of the music fans flocking to Charlevoix might be interested in reading what was going on there also."

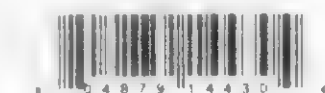
Roy added, "Basically the fans of the Castle are writing the book. I'm compiling the best stories and they are the ones to be published; it's like a rock and roll scrapbook. There are so many incredible stories from the Castle, lifelong friends who met there, husbands and

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BIRTHS

Carson Michael Leland Smith, weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces was born Jan. 30 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Amber Rose Smith and Trenton Mallory from Charlevoix/Levering. His sibling is Marshall Douglas Smith. His grandparents are Debbie and Veen Mallory of Levering and Mark and Darlene Simpson of Charlevoix.

Mayson Jay Dowker, weighing 7 pounds, was born Feb. 1 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Randy Dowker and Angie Owens of East Jordan. His siblings are Tanner, Trevor and Bailey Owens. His grandparents are Dave and Cindy Stark of East Jordan, Darrell Dowker of Gaylord and Robin Hauske and Susan Sandler/Hauske of Petoskey. His great-grandparents are Eric Dowker of Gaylord and Robert and Laura Hauske of Independence, MO.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Terry Wayne Bernadyn, 41, East Jordan. Larceny more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. To serve 12 days in jail; \$850 in fines and costs.

Chelsi Lynn Tieber, 34, Ellsworth. Impaired driving; disturbing the peace. Credit for one day in jail; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,080 in fines and costs.

Zackary Ryan Mallory, 23, Pellston. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Sonya Marie Walden, 36, East Jordan. Larceny of more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Pay \$500 in fines and

costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Bradley Thomas Levell, 44, Vicksburg. Driving while license suspended. To serve six days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

Conn Norman Sedelmaier, 38, East Jordan. Funds insufficient for check written, less than \$100. Pay \$972.24 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Misty Marie Pauley, 30, East Jordan. Funds insufficient for check written, less than \$100. Pay \$347.88 in fines and costs or serve six days in jail.

Kristopher Lee Bosma, 26, Harbor Springs. Operating while intoxicated. Credit for one day in jail; 77 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend Impact weekend.

Renee May Huckle, 29,

Charlevoix. Operating while license suspended/denied/revoked/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Kevin Michael Briley, 24, East Jordan. Motor vehicle without security. Pay \$315 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Jon Jacob Neumann, 27, East Jordan. Failure to transfer plates; motor vehicle without security. Pay \$450 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

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Author to pen book about Castle concerts of the past

AUTHOR

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wives who met at Castle concerts, and I'm sure there were a few children conceived after Castle shows."

One of Roy's favorite memories involves his mother and rock legends Anthrax.

"My Mom drove two buddies and myself to our first Castle show—rock-and-roll, I know. It was July 28, 1987, and Whitesnake was actually playing what would be their first headlining show in North America at The Castle," he said.

"Anthrax and Autograph were opening, and at the time Anthrax was my absolute favorite band. My Mom dropped us off at the Castle at one in the afternoon and there was no one there at all. The roadies were just setting up and we watched Autograph do a short sound check, we went so early in hopes of seeing or meeting someone in Anthrax."

Roy added, "My Mom and little sister decided to take in a matinee—Police Academy something—and who's at the theater with my mother? You



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guessed it Anthrax."

Roy said that, in 1989, he got to meet Ozzy Osbourne and have a beer with him on his tour bus.

Currently, Roy is seeking the most interesting, wildest and humorous stories former castle concert goers, and townspeople, may have to tell.

"I'm looking for any information, pictures, articles, recordings, stories, ticket stubs and any and all stories. A common misconception is that I'm looking for only stories that show the good times at the castle, that's not necessarily the case," he said. "I would love to

read stories from townspeople who didn't like the castle. I'm sure the huge flocks of concertgoers were bothersome at some point to everyone in the area, those are the stories I'd love to hear."

Contact Roy by e-mail at duaneeroy@yahoo.com

Join Roy's Facebook site "Fans Of The Old Castle Farms Music Amphitheatre" to post or look at pictures and swap stories with other fans.

"Drop me an e-mail even if it's only to mention you've been there and you had a great time," he said. "I'm open to all stories and I answer every e-mail."

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Trading petunias for yoopers
Former city manager Mike Wiesner hired by Gladstone

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Following 23 years as Charlevoix city manager and not quite two years as the Boyne City public works director, Michael Wiesner is moving to Gladstone.

The former city manager will once again do what he loves doing best: Managing a city.

"I'd always enjoyed city management and always intended to get back into city management," Wiesner said. "We (he and his wife) went through a process of where we

would like to be located and set a goal to be in northern Michigan on the Great Lakes and reasonably close to our cottage in Curtis."

He added, "And, it was fortunate when the Boyne City job came along. It kept us going in the area and the Boyne City job had been an excellent experience to be back in a department head position with a city manager's perspective."

Wiesner signed a contract to become Gladstone city manager with a starting salary of around \$79,000 for the first six months.

Interim Gladstone City Manager Howard Keeton, who came out of retirement to hold down the proverbial fort until a new manager arrived, said Wiesner will begin employment officially on Feb. 23.

"We're looking forward to having him," Keeton said. "I think his experience will be good for Gladstone."

He added, "This is the third time I've come out of retirement. I'm ready to go back."

Wiesner's duties in Gladstone, which has a population of nearly 5,200 and rests on the shores of Little Bay De

Noc, will be similar to the jobs he performed during his decades as Charlevoix city manager.

"I was always proud of my work in Charlevoix with its multiple services, electric, city beaches, city golf course and ski hills," he said. "They (Gladstone) have many of the same things, besides having a wireless system throughout the community, they have 1,000 acres of parks and a skateboard park—they have a lot of managed use."

Wiesner added, "I'm excited about going to work there."

Wiesner left as Charlevoix city manager in 2007 after several city council members voted to dismiss him, but Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. wanted people know just how big an impact Wiesner made on the local community.

The incredible upgrades that we did, especially on infrastructure definitely show Mike Wiesner left his mark on the city in a positive way," he said. "I think this is a good opportunity for him and I think he'll do them a great job."

According to Carlson, Wiesner was integral in numerous projects ranging from the electrical system and water treatment plant to the city hall addition and renovation and East Park.

Carlson added, "I would like to extend congratulations and wish him well."

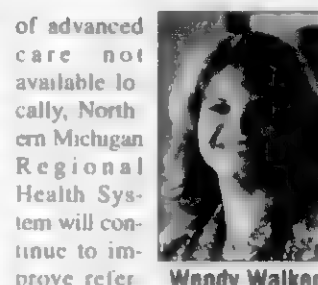
Wiesner, who owns hunting property in Charlevoix, said he isn't going away forever.

Area hospitals collaborate to share resources

Northern Michigan Regional Health System, Mackinac Straits Hospital, Mackinac Island Medical Center, and the Beaver Island Rural Health Center today announced they are collaborating to build a resource-sharing network between providers of health care services.

This partnership will maintain the independence of each organization, while enhancing the sharing of best practices and high quality resources that are not often attainable alone. Other entities of Mackinac Straits Hospital, including the health care facilities in Naubinway and Bois Blanc Island, will also benefit from this newly formed network, providing coordinated access to high quality specialty care for residents and visitors of remote and rural environments.

"The goal of this partnership is to position the organizations for continued success in the delivery of high quality patient care in an increasingly more difficult economic environment," said Wendy Walker, MD, Northern Michigan Regional Health System Board Chair. "As the closest provider



Wendy Walker, MD

of advanced care not available locally, Northern Michigan Regional Health System will continue to improve referral, transfer, and information flow processes, and work to meet the service expectations of all regional providers."

The physicians of Northern Michigan Regional Health System have had a long-standing tradition of providing specialty care to residents and visitors of Mackinac County and the surrounding area, and this relationship will only strengthen this offering by the increased ability to identify specific community needs and provide additional specialty services to the area.

Ron Mitchell, Mackinac Straits Hospital Board Chair, stated, "The benefits of this partnership will include the provision of high quality, coordinated care, non-duplication of patient testing, utilization of shared information and clinical technology, collaboration on quality improvement efforts, and reduced cost of purchasing materials."

According to Connie Wojan, Board Chair of the Beaver Island Rural Health Center, "Seamless

access to specialty care is critical to our population. Through a unanimous vote, our Board has approved a Memorandum of Understanding to pave the way for a more formalized affiliation in March. We look forward to the enhanced specialty care access this network provides," Margaret Doud, Chair

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Atheist billboards do not diminish God

I am an Internet news junkie, and last week while trolling newspapers in the UK I ran across a link to a story on London's atheist buses.

What could this be about? Busloads of Brits on holiday riding around looking at scenery no one created?

The link appeared and there was a shot of a red London bus with this billboard advertisement filling the side: "There's probably no god. Now stop worrying and enjoy your life."

The advert is the handwork of the Atheist Campaign and now appears on over 800 buses throughout the UK. Last week the campaign extended the same message into London's tube stations.

The campaign began in October, 2008 when an atheist was offended by an advertisement on a London bus featuring the Bible quote, "When the Son of Man comes, will He find Faith on this Earth?"

A Web site URL ran beneath the quote, and when the atheist visited the site she learned that,

as a non-believer, she would be "condemned to everlasting separation from God and spend all eternity in torment in hell."

Expressing her indignation in The Guardian, the atheist author suggested that if fellow non-believers would each chip in £5 they could begin an advertising campaign to counter the Christians.

Other newspapers picked up the story and bloggers embraced the notion of atheists flexing their free speech rights.

A target of £5500 was set for a new fund to buy billboards on buses. Atheists around the UK coughed up that amount in a matter of hours, and the campaign is now trying to decide

where to spend the £135,000 that poured in from around the western world in the weeks following.

Cities in Europe, Australia, and America should be among the next to see the message.

Now, I am not particularly put off by the atheist's exercise of their fundamental human right to speak freely: I reserve the same right for myself and like-minded believers. Democracy demands that I defend their right to speak as a way of ensuring my own, even though I disagree with what they have to say.

Nor am I particularly surprised: There has always been an element in western civilization that uses great intellect to acquire great knowledge, and then erroneously assumes they have great wisdom.

The Bible speaks of these pseudo-intellects, as well—see, for example, Psalm 14:1 and Proverbs 1:7—so I doubt God is surprised to see a few red bus billboards denying His existence. Hardly the first time, it would seem.

And, anyway, a few misguided souls renting space on a bus does not in any way diminish who God is, what He has done in creating and sustaining the universe, or even how much He loves them.

While God is apparently competing for our attention he does not appear to need our approval. He is God, and by definition He is beyond our ability to understand. What I find most confusing is how these great intellectuals, when they run up against someone or something that is beyond their ability to comprehend or explain, choose instead to simply deny its existence, as if one could look at life around us and seriously conclude it all sprang into being through some happy cosmic coincidence.

For these folks any explanation for the complexity and interrelated dependence of the universe will do, no matter how preposterous.

Any explanation, that is, except that of an intelligent creator operating beyond our ability to ever understand.

WEEKLY POLL

Last week's poll results:
Do you plan to save or spend your tax refund this year?
Spend it (28 votes, 47%)
Save it (20 votes, 33%)
Not getting one (12 votes, 20%)

This week's poll question:
Is your cherry pie or breakfast dish worth winning Prike's cherry contest?
Yes • No • I don't even cook.
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I don't fear these people, and I don't dislike them.

Rather, I find myself having compassion for them because I remember a time in my life when I, too, was one of those hollow thinkers ready to embrace any form of spirituality except Jesus Christ.

I know now the work Jesus did in me, and I remember how He pursued me even while He was protecting me from my own stupidity.

I can see how He has loved me, and I know that the desire of His heart is that the people donating money for bus billboards could know that in their lives, as well. The challenge for us Christians is how to show these

folks the love of Christ, and, yes, even the tragic consequences of a decision to reject God and deny His very existence, without using the Bible like a club.

I mean, there has got to be a better way to introduce someone to Jesus than to make the very first words out of our mouths something like "see things my way or you're going to burn in hell!"

Until we figure that out, I think we'd better stop renting space on the side of a bus.

Steve Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services. Christian counseling and healing prayer by appointment at 675 4682. His column appears periodically in the Charlevoix Courier.

LETTERS to the editor

WILHELM INNOCENT
Editor:

The stories published in local papers concerning the vandalism at the Charlevoix High School building trades house have relied heavily on statements from the prosecuting attorney.

They have been prejudicial against Austin Wilhelm both in what was printed and in information that did not make it into the story. I attended the preliminary examination and have studied the file from the prosecuting attorney.

Yes, Austin turned himself in at the sheriff's office to be arrested. This was by appointment. It is in no way an admission of guilt.

The vandalism was discovered by Austin and another student after they were sent from the shop out to the house by the teacher, Mr. Cerna, to cut lumber on a chop saw located there. They reported back to the teacher immediately.

The teacher then took his class with him out to the house and they all went in. There was a puddle of wet paint in front of the door. Several students, including Austin, stepped in it and got paint on their shoes. The teacher then left the students alone in the house for several minutes while he went to report to others.

Austin was questioned at school by Deputy Wheat. Other students who had paint on shoes or clothes were also interviewed by deputies. Austin

was asked about paint on the top of his shoe and the cuff of his jeans. He was cooperative. Afterward, because the school was on "lockdown", he was told not to leave the room.

The deputy returned after a while to the room where Austin was still waiting and began to interrogate in a more accusatory manner. Austin asked if he was a suspect and the deputy's response led him to believe that this was the case. He then did exactly what anyone should do if accused of a crime, he asked to call his attorney. Yes, he was upset when Officer Wheat demanded that he remove his pants. Yes, he dropped them on the floor and walked out of school in his boxer shorts. This is not necessarily an unreasonable reaction to what he was being subjected.

The physical evidence cited by the sheriff's department in the affidavit for a search warrant consisted of: paint on the top of Austin's shoe, white substance observed on the brake pedal and floor mat of his car, and the paint on the cuff of his pants. Subsequent testing by the state police lab concluded that the paint on the top of Austin's shoe did "not share a common source" with the paint in the house. The material from the car was not even paint. None of the paint seized in the search of the Wilhelm house was found to have been used in the crime.

Tests by the state police did indicate similarities in one of

three samples from the jeans; however, the technician testified that he would not call it a "match". He stated that there could be 100 or 1,000 cans of paint out there that would give the same results. Tests show that the other two paint samples from the jeans "do not share a common source" with the paint from the house.

Regarding fingerprints found on the inside of the window sash. All we need to know is that Austin helped build that house and would naturally have fingerprints there. That is the window where they passed extension cords and air hoses into the building.

There are other theories that law enforcement could have pursued which will undoubtedly come out at trial. Meanwhile, the Wilhelm family is under incredible stress. Austin is as dismayed as anyone that the project he worked all year

to help build was defaced; and he is devastated that he is accused of doing it.

I am confident that he will be found not guilty.

Vince Chew
Charlevoix

ISLANDER REMAINS POSITIVE

Editor: Thank-you to Editor Ben Gohs for "I absolutely refuse to participate in a recession."

As he wisely pointed out: Perception and consumer confidence are a big part of a recession and the solution.

Statistics stated another way say that Michigan has 90 percent employment and more than 95 percent of mortgages are paid as agreed.

In much of Europe 10 percent unemployment has been considered about "normal" for more than a decade.

Here on Beaver Island we have maintained our tourist marketing spending. Our early season reservation survey suggests that this season will be about the same as last, a good but not record year. We are NOT cutting back but rather adding events of interest to visitors.

We expect to literally fill our island to overflowing for our

new Sept. 5 marathon.

Doing what spending you can locally is a good place to start the process of getting out of a recession. We hope folks will consider Beaver Island for a unique close to home vacation experience. Best wishes

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Darwin and Lincoln for 'Ear to the Ground'

For those of us forced in early grade school to cut out silhouettes and draw log cabins and Mount Vernon, February will always be the month of both Abraham Lincoln's and George Washington's birthdays.

I like to celebrate an additional birthday in this month.

Charles Robert Darwin was born not only on the same day of the year as Abraham Lincoln, Feb. 12, but in the same year, 1809.

According to some historians, they were born only hours apart.

Certainly President Lincoln had sufficient impact on our nation to justify our observation of

his natal day, but I would argue forcefully that Charles Darwin has had a far greater influence on our nation and indeed on the whole world.

I don't believe it is reasonable to blame Darwin for all of our moral and social ills as some do. It would be equally unreasonable to blame

Lincoln for our nation's racial difficulties over the past 150 years.

We might better recognize the contributions of both men to our improved understanding of the world we live in.

Charles Darwin was not a political actor, but he wrote briefly about the need for the worldwide abolition of slavery.

His wife Emma was a member of the Wedgwood family—of china and porcelain fame.

The Wedgwoods were powerful advocates of abolition.

Both Darwin and Lincoln moved the thinking of enormous numbers of people: Darwin in

biological science and Lincoln in politics and government.

We are certainly better people from the activities of both.

Our knowledge of Darwin would benefit from a holiday as an annual reminder of his contributions, but it should probably be based in England rather than here. If you thought there were arguments about a potential Martin Luther King Day, just imagine the storms that would erupt if someone proposed to commemorate the author of "The Origin of Species."

Maybe we need a biological scientist as president before it can happen.

For those of you yearning for outdoor warmth and unwilling to travel south, I can provide the first genuine sign of spring.

No, not that foolish concentration on one or another of the celebrity woodchucks that hold center stage on February second.

My first sign of spring came that same day with the four or five low hoots of a great horned owl.

The pattern of hoots was repeated for quite some time in the early night.

Great horned owls don't need to make much noise. In fact they are the stealth flyers of the

bird world. Their wings make no sound as they beat through the air. If you were a mouse that fact would frighten you like news of an Iranian nuclear bomb might frighten us.

The low, repeated hoots of that owl tell us that a pair of owls has either laid eggs successfully or already hatched out some owl.

They need to begin earlier than any other local bird in order to have mature new owls by summer's end.

Charles Darwin understood that clearly. Listen for your local owls. They know that spring is on the way.

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CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Monday, February 16, 2009—7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall to receive public input on a proposed ordinance to repeal Section 1.57 of the City Code.

The proposed ordinance, if adopted, will repeal Section 1.57 of the City Code entitled **Contracts with city officials and city employees**. This section deals with requirements for contracts involving city employees. It is being repealed because the City Council has adopted a Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy at its January 19, 2009 meeting which, in conjunction with a state statute, covers the same subject matter.

A complete copy of the proposed ordinance can be obtained from the City Clerk during normal business hours.

Interested citizens can make comments at the public hearing or written comments may be sent to the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720.

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk
02/05/09

The City of Charlevoix will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon one week's notice to the City of Charlevoix. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Charlevoix Clerk's Office in writing or by calling the following: City Clerk, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231) 547-3250.

Official Notice

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SYNOPSIS - JANUARY 28, 2009

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.
Motion approved the minutes of the January 14, 2009 minutes as amended.
Motion approved Closed Session.
Motion approved going back into open session.
Motion approved recommendation of termination of Ken Doty and Jim Easley from the Building Department. This motion includes payment of Cobra health insurance for 18 months for Mr. Doty. Commissioners Tripp and Drebenstedt voting no.
Motion approved the appointment of Cindy Grice, Boyne City Clerk to the Jury Board.
Motion approve acceptance of Mr. Kelly's recommendation regarding printing of the county maps.
Motion approved Resolution #09-06, Resolution of Intent.
Motion approved Resolution #09-07, Interlocal Agreement For Deputization, and authorizes the Chairman to sign said agreement.
Motion approved Resolution #09-08, Grant Administrator, appointing Cheryl Potter Browne to position of Reimbursement Grant Administrator.
Motion approved Resolution #09-09, Equalization Director, appointing Betsy Mason to the position effective 02/23/09.
Motion approved Resolution #09-10, OSA MI Choice Waiver Services and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute the same.
Motion approved Resolution #09-11, OSA Caragher Respite Services, and authorizes the Chairman of the board to execute the same.
Motion approved Resolution #09-12, Agreement Regarding Non-Skilled Nursing Services and authorizes the Chairman to sign said agreement.
Motion approved Resolution #09-13, Maximus Contract and authorizes the Chairman to sign said contract.
Motion approved Resolution #09-14, Security Window.
Motion approved the appointment of Robert Hilton interim Building Official.
Motion adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

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Petoskey, Charlevoix take top honors in Quiz Bowl League

Students from Petoskey and Charlevoix came out on top as 14 teams from seven different schools went head-to-head in the third of five invitational dates in the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Quiz Bowl League.

The Jan. 31 event, held at North Central Michigan College, was the Quiz Bowl season's most competitive competition yet. Petoskey took the overall top spot and Charlevoix won the Class C-D division championship.

Quiz bowl is an academic competition in which four member teams use buzzer systems in a Jeopardy-like contest. More than 80 students took part.

The 14 teams played seven round-robin games to determine final placement in the championship round. Petoskey A and Petoskey C teams, with

identical 6-1 records, faced off for the grand championship title. Charlevoix, (6-1) played Petoskey B (5-2). Seedings for the final round were determined by won-loss record with total score serving as the tie breaker.

In the finals Petoskey A defeated the Petoskey C team 210 to 155 to take grand champion honors. Charlevoix A lost to Petoskey B 115-170 in the consolation final round. Charlevoix A took the Class C-D division championship with an overall 6-2 record. Beaver Island's team was the highest placing Class D school, defeating Northwest Academy A 165-100 in the final round to place 5th overall with a 5-3 record.

Final standings, overall won-loss records and final scores for the 14 teams are as follows: First Petoskey A 7-1, 1395

Second Petoskey C 6-2, 995
Third Petoskey B 6-2, 1060
Fourth Charlevoix A 6-2, 980
Fifth Beaver Island 5-3, 900
Sixth Northwest Academy A 5-3, 800

Seventh Charlevoix B 5-3, 890
Eighth East Jordan A 4-4, 815
Ninth Charlevoix C 3-5, 870
Tenth East Jordan B 2-6, 840
Eleventh Boyne City B 3-5, 745
Twelfth Boyne City A 2-6, 755
Thirteenth Northwest Academy C 2-6, 590
Fourteenth Northwest Academy B 0-8, 575

League schools not in attendance because of school conflicts were Concord Academy



Courtesy photo
Charlevoix High School team members, who won the Class C-D division championship in the Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl, are (from left) Jennie Withers, Collin McDonough, Tanner Fisher, Colton Laese, Weston Bryan and Veronica Shull.

Petoskey and Ellsworth.

Petoskey is coached by Bruce Koch, and Charlevoix by Pete Scholten. The next

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DC4K group meetings are offered each Thursday, beginning February 12, from 4-5:30 p.m. at the Charlevoix Elementary School. A snack is provided.

Please note that if school has 1/2 day, snow day or it's a holiday, there will be NO class.

Connect your children with our DC4K group today! Heal together by attending our DivorceCare groups for Adults.

For more information on either program call Amy, our DivorceCare Facilitator at 231-675-1925

COMMUNITY Charlevoix people

Send your community news to the Courier at news@charlevoixcourier.com

It's time to apply for Charlevoix Community Foundation grants

Once again, it's time to put local charitable dollars to work on behalf of the community. The Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation and the Charlevoix County Community Foundation are inviting nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and municipalities who are in need of funding to submit grant requests in support of their projects.

During the next couple of months, the community foundations and their Youth Advisory Committees (YACs) will review grant proposals to help fund health initiatives, community development projects, education, the arts and cultural events, environmental efforts, and human service programs. The YACs, which are made up of teens from throughout Charlevoix

and Emmet counties, will award grants to programs that serve youth and families.

Programs chosen for funding must serve residents of Emmet County or Charlevoix County, meet an urgent need, or enrich life for local residents in some way. The deadline for grant requests is March 2, 2009.

Grant applications are available by calling the appropriate community foundation office. All applicants must call and discuss their proposals in advance. Foundation staff is available to offer advice and assistance to organizations interested in applying for funds.

Both community foundations are grassroots charitable organizations made up of various funds - all of them established by local donors.

Some funds are earmarked for specific causes, and others are open-ended to meet changing needs. The funds are held in permanent endowment, so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, now and for generations to come.

For more information about the local community foundations grant-making process, establishing a fund or making a gift, please contact the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation at 616 Petoskey St., Petoskey, MI, 49770, by phone at (231) 348-5820, Web site www.phscf.org, or the Charlevoix County Community Foundation at P.O. Box 718, East Jordan, MI, 49727, by phone at (231) 536-2440, Web site www.c3f.org.

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Time, date and place of event must be in that order event name at 7 p.m., Feb. 12, at the place event was or will be held

The earlier you submit releases, photos or story ideas, the better the chance those items will appear in a timely manner

Charlevoix Courier seeks to continue working with and serving the community by

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Online Genealogy
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This class will provide students a demonstration of several online genealogy resources. Please pre-register at 231-540.

Lincoln Birthday Celebration
Thursday, February 12, 10-noon
February 12th is the 200th anniversary of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln. Join us for coffee & cookies in the Belvidere Room to commemorate the occasion and to check out books (many new to the collection) we have about our 16th President.

SAD? How to deal with Seasonal Affective Disorder
Thursday, February 12, 7:00 p.m.
Christine Dilkes-Lemmon, Behavioral Specialist and Jennifer Towns, Outpatient Therapist will give an overview of symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of Seasonal Affective Disorder.

Anti-Valentine's Day: A Creative Writing Workshop
Tuesday, February 17, 4:00 p.m.
Guest poet, Elaine Beasley will be on hand to help start up your own anti-Valentine.

See North Owls
Saturday, February 14, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Come meet the See North Owls and work on their craft.

Saturdays @ the Movies: Enchanted (PG)
Saturday, February 14, 2:00 p.m.
All ages are welcome to join us for popcorn and viewing of this classic fairytale colliding with New York City.

Book Talkers @ the Library
Monday, February 16, 6:00 p.m.
Read one of two stories of the fatal Mt. Everest climbing expedition. Into Thin Air, by John Krakauer or The Climb, by Ann Grigg. The discussion will center around that 1996 expedition to the summit.

The Challenge Greater Than Everest
Tuesday, February 17, 7:00 p.m.
Tommy Kautz will be on hand to deliver his first hand account of the 1996 expedition to the summit of Everest.

Weekly Events @ the Library
Story Time
Every Thursday @ 10:30 am
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Literary Events
Every Friday @ 3:00
Try out one of the new games. Need for Speed Underground II or Crash Bandicoot. Twenty-two or go back to the tried and true of Guitar Hero or DDR - the choice is yours!

Computer Boot Camp
Every Monday @ 10:30
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OBITUARIES

Nathaniel J. 'Nate' Herriman: Sept. 18, 1936- Jan. 31, 2009

Nathaniel J. "Nate" Herriman, 72, of Charlevoix, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Rite of Christian Burial was 11 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Saint Marys Catholic Church in Charlevoix.

The Reverend Jerry Hunko officiated, and burial was in Saint Marys Cemetery.

Nate was born Sept. 18, 1936, in Elkton, Mich. the son of Nathaniel and Beatrice (Severn) Herriman.

He grew up in Elkton where he attended the Elkton-Pigeon-Bayport School.

Nate served in the US Army in Berlin from 1956 until 1958, when he moved to Charlevoix.

On Nov. 14, 1959, he married Judy Brun in Charlevoix.

Nate worked for Medusa Portland Cement Company retiring after 27 years.

After retiring, he drove a school bus for Charlevoix Public Schools.

Nate was a member of Saint Marys Church, and Local D480.

He was involved in Charlevoix Little League, and his greatest interest was watching his grandkids.

Nate is survived by his wife, Judy; children, Joe (Debra) Herriman of Holt, Sue (Brad) Sweet of East Jordan, Bill (Kristen) Herriman, Jim (Judy) Herriman, Mike (Kris Beach) Herriman, Cindy (Seth) Arnold all of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Nicole, Matthew, Ben, Mandy, Lexey, Nick, Dillon, Nathan, Hanna, Jess, Jady, Coby, Jacy, Skylar, Hailee, Lily, Aubrey, and Remi; brothers, Duane (Pat) Herriman of Alanson, Howard Herriman of Charlevoix, Ron (Elaine) Grunch of Boyne City, Bob (Ruth) Grunch of Indiana, Rick

(Nancy) Grunch of Charlevoix, Roy (Midge) Grunch of Dickson, Tenn., Roger (Ethel) Grunch of Charlevoix, Russell (Jeanie) Grunch of Hawaii.

Nate was preceded in death by his parents, Beatrice and Ray Grunch and Nathaniel Herriman; sister-in-law, Sharon Herriman, and brother-in-law, Thomas Hamlin.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Marys School Angel Tuition Fund.

Visitation was from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Emerald E. Howe, Jr.: Died on Feb. 7, 2009

Emerald E. Howe Jr. died Feb. 7, 2009 at 80 years of age.

Beloved husband of Lone Howe for 58 years; loving father of Cara DuBay, Richard L. Howe and Janice (Jon) Bennett; dear son of Hazel

Haffner; dearest grandfather of Jerry and Stacey Hooper, Matthew and Andrew DuBay, Evan Howe and Samantha Bennett; also survived by his great grandson Alex, his sister Susan (Tom) Zemla and his cats Minnie and Rosie.

Mr. Howe worked for General Motors with their Design Team for many years and also worked for several job shops. Emerald was a member of the Civitan in Pontiac and also the Elks Lodge Pontiac/Waterford #810.

A memorial visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday Feb. 11, 2009 at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford.

To send a private condolence go to www.coatsfuneralhome.com and select "guestbook."

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

• Albion College dean's list: Linda Edger is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of Todd and Mary Edger of Charlevoix and a graduate of Charlevoix High School.

Emily Foster is a first-year majoring in biology. She is the daughter of William Foster of Charlevoix and Hannelore Foster of Charlevoix and a

graduate of Charlevoix High School.

Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

• Excelsior College graduates:

Mary E. Shaver has earned an Associate in Science in Nursing from Excelsior College.

• Michigan State University dean's list:

Sasha Spencley was honored by achieving a 3.5 or better grade point average for Fall Semester, 2008 and is on the Dean's List.

• Northern Michigan Uni-

versity dean's list—the following students qualified with a grade point average of 4.0:

Theresa M. Martin The following students qualified with a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.99:

Cameron A. Attee, Sarah E. Beck, Mallory H. Mahoney, Jayme N. Murray, Stephanie L. Murray and Christopher R. Wyniawskij

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Pastor: Michael Moore 536-2161

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Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff

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11906 US-31 North
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Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Michael L. Tschetter 547-9446

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65855 M-46
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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: James D. Green 547-4380

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104 State Street
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Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5168

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 588-7455

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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Michael Malters 536-2161

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Adventist Community Services Tue 10-2pm
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Poverty, teen deaths increasing

Kids Count study reveals good, bad news

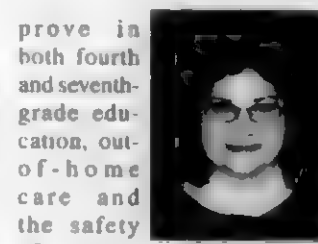
BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

While the overall education of Charlevoix County children continues to increase, so, too, do incidences of poverty and teen death.

While some of the figures from the 2008 Kids Count study are positive, Kids Count study communications director Judy Putnam said there are some frightening trends.

"We think that poverty was the big trend in this year's report overall," she said. "This huge growth of children living in poor households below the poverty line—and Charlevoix is not immune—goes along with what we've noticed in abuse and neglect rates, which are up quite a bit."

According to the study, Charlevoix continues to im-



Judy Putnam

prove in both fourth and seventh-grade education, out-of-home care and the safety of younger children, but continues to worsen in teen deaths with an average of 116.6 per 100,000 from the year 2000 to the year 2006. The actual number of deaths was two.

Charlevoix ranks 43 out of 44 counties with the highest rate of teen deaths; but, this county rates seven out of 82 and 19 out of 82 for fourth and seventh-grade reading standards.

The Michigan Kids Count study is part of a larger nation-

al effort which began in 1992 after the founder of UPS Jim Casey and his siblings started the Annie E. Casey Foundation in the name of their mother, who had struggled to raise several children on her own.

The annual study ranks the well-being of children both state-wide and nationally.

"We hope this study will raise awareness at a state level on our need to strengthen the safety net and programs for low-income people," Putnam said. "I feel we've had real successes in the state in getting more kids tested for lead and more children immunized."

The number of children receiving subsidized health care in 2006 was 127 for a percentage of 3.1; the overall percentage of children receiving sub-

sized health care in the state is 5.9.

Following are statistics of what Charlevoix County children receive:

- Cash assistance - 92 kids or 1.4 percent of county children; statewide average of 5.5 percent.

- Food assistance program - 848 kids or 13.2 percent of county children; statewide average of 20.6 percent.

- The number of children owed child support was 1,187 for 17.8 percent; the state wide average was 19.9 percent.

- 139 children received no child support in 2007 for a county-wide average of 11.7 percent; statewide average was 25.5 percent.

- 545 children received less than 70 percent of the child

support owed them for 45.9 percent; statewide average was 57.8 percent.

Access to health care Children ages 0 to 18 insured by:

- Medicaid - 2,022 or 31.5 percent of children in the county; statewide average of 33.3 percent.

- MICHild - 127 or 2 percent of children in the county; statewide average of 1.2 percent.

And, while 1.7 percent of Medicaid-enrolled children statewide tested positive for lead poisoning, there were no instances of lead poisoning in the 168 children tested in Charlevoix County.

Charlevoix County's numbers were similar in many respects to Emmet as Charlevoix's eastern neighbor has 3.5 percent of children receiving

subsidized care, 1.5 percent receiving cash assistance, 14.9 percent in the food assistance program, 16 percent of children owed child support, 7.3 percent who received no child support in 2007 and 37.9 percent of their child support owed in 2007.

The numbers, Putnam said, clearly demonstrate the need for social programs in the area.

"Poverty lasts a lifetime, and kids growing up in poverty are less likely to finish high school and they tend to reach school behind and stay behind," she said. "Poor kids tend to get sicker than other children even in the same conditions."

The national Kids Count Study is expected to be released later this summer.

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During the first 30-40 minutes of the meeting, each DivorceCare group watches a video seminar featuring experts on divorce and recovery subjects. These videos are produced in an interesting way to watch television, a magazine format featuring expert interviews, real-life case studies and on-location video.

A Support Group with Focus

Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix offers DivorceCare recovery support group that meets on Thursday evenings, beginning February 12, from 7-9 p.m. for 13 weeks (join anytime) at the "Servants Quarters" 100 Oak Street (located next door to the Community Reformed Church, one mile north of the bridge.) A light dinner is provided. DivorceCare for Kids meets on Thursdays, after school, at Charlevoix Elementary School. First meeting Feb. 12. (Bussing available)

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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
Regular CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, February 2, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

- The Manager congratulated the City of Charlevoix staff for receiving the Ambassador of the Year award from the Chamber of Commerce.
- Motion passed naming the new performance pavilion after Clarence Odmark, with a dedication ceremony to be held at the Charlevoix Community Band's Tuesday, July 7, 2009 concert.
- Motion passed approving the employment agreement with Harbormaster Hal Evans, as amended.
- Motion passed setting a public hearing February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers on proposed budget amendment #3 to the 2008-2009 City Budget.
- Motion passed setting a public hearing February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers on the 2009-2010 proposed City Budget.
- Motion passed setting a public hearing February 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers on a proposed ordinance to repeal Section 1.57 of Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the City Code.
- Resolution 2009-02-01 adopted, Resolution in Support of Stimulus Funding to Local Governments.

Council adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk Norman L. Carlson, Jr., Mayor

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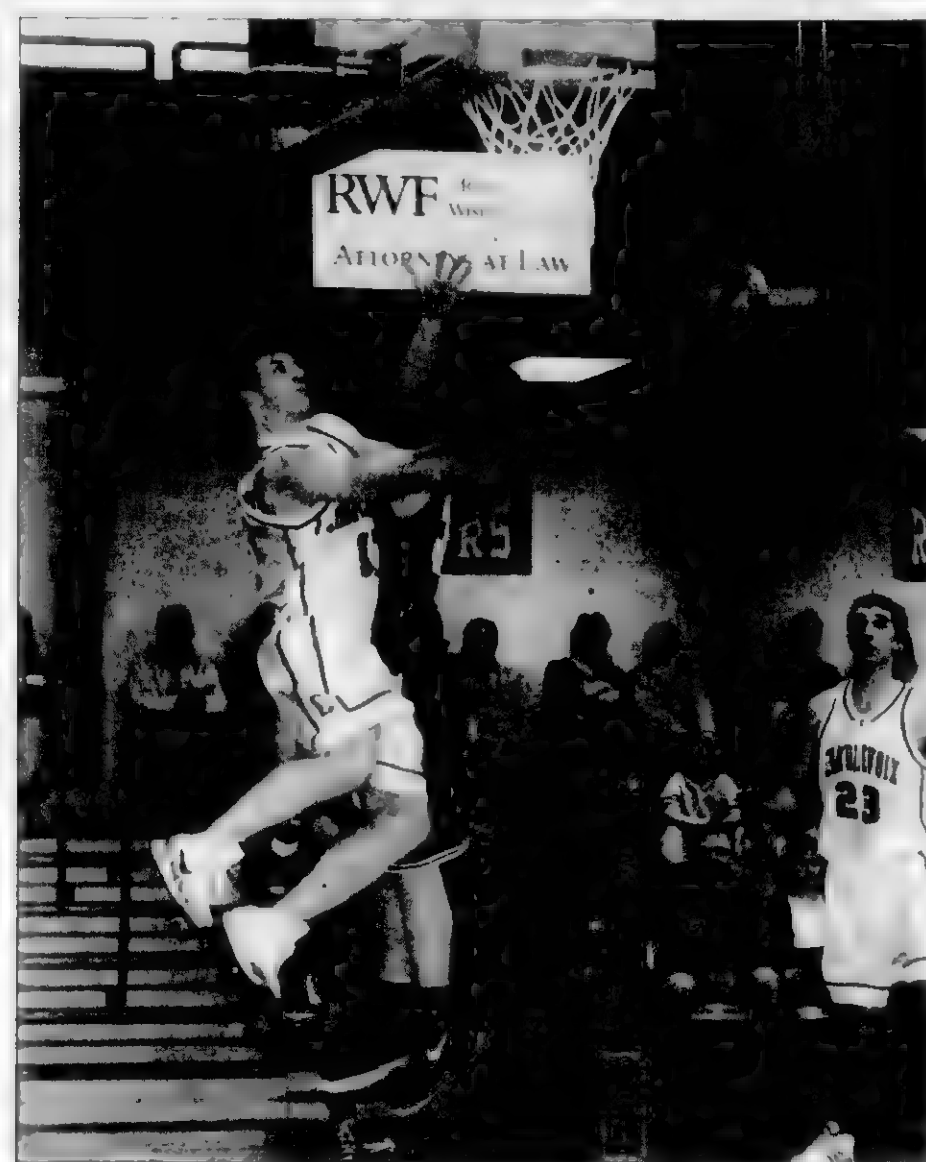
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SPORTS reviewing the action



Air Bryan

Weston Bryan, number 43, shoots while number 23 Justin Friske looks on. Bryan had his second consecutive 27-point game on Monday, Feb. 2 for a win over Gaylord. See more photos at www.MChrisLeese.com. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

Northern Michigan Ski Academy

Age-group results of recent Northern Michigan Ski Academy giant slalom races at Boyne Highlands.

• Age 7 and younger: Girls, 1-Jenna Good, Charlevoix; 2-Madeline Malpass, East Jordan; 3-Megan Scholten, Charlevoix. Boys, 1-Luke Whittet, Boyne City; 2-Blaize Snabes, Charlevoix; 3-Ian Davis, Harbor Springs.

• Age 8 to 9: Girls, 1-Maddy Fuhrman, Harbor Springs; 2-Ashlyn Kartes, Boyne City; 3-Abbey Scholten, Charlevoix. Boys, 1-Ethan Stewart, Charlevoix; 2-Brad Klinger, Charlevoix; 3-Keon Taylor, Charlevoix.

• Age 10 to 11: Girls, 1-Winter Vinecki, Gaylord; 2-Kylee Chojnacki, Charlevoix; 3-Abbey Bohnet, Petoskey. Boys, 1-Shea Fuhrman, Harbor Springs;

2-Patrik Shepherd, Petoskey; 3-Matt Good, Charlevoix. • Age 12 to 13: Girls, 1-Mia Ciccarelli, Boyne Falls; 2-Rose Pellegrom, Harbor Springs; 3-Meg Shepherd, Harbor Springs. Boys, 1-Noah Hokenaker, Petoskey; 2-Correy Bohnet, Petoskey; 3-Landon Kartes, Boyne City. • Age 14 and older: Girls, no finishers; Boys, 1-Ben Loomis of Petoskey.



COURTESY PHOTO

Free throw champions

Pictured are the Knights of Columbus free throw champions. More than 20 boys and girls from the Charlevoix area, ages 9 to 14 were named local champions of the 2009 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship and have earned the right to compete at the district level. Each contestant was allowed 15 free throw attempts in the contest. The winners are (from left) Austin Putman, 10; Kelly Greyerblehl, 14; Mackenzie O'Leary, 9; Devan Drain, 13; Tanner Catt, 14; Justin Pearl, 12; Olivia Storm, 11; Maggie Hamilton, 12; and Emily Zabawa, 10.

Official Notice

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

The Board of Review for the City of Charlevoix will meet on Tuesday, March 3, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to review the Assessment Roll in the second floor conference room of City Hall, 210 State Street.

The Board will receive any questions from the public concerning the Assessment Roll on Monday, March 9, 2009, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2009, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR MARCH 9, 10, AND 11 BY CALLING THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (231) 547-3250. PER RESOLUTION #93-02-01, LOCAL RESIDENTS MAY PETITION THE BOARD OF REVIEW BY LETTER.

	ESTIMATED MULTIPLIERS	TENTATIVE RATIOS
COMMERCIAL	1.00847	44.58
INDUSTRIAL	1.00442	49.78
RESIDENTIAL	0.97924	51.06
PERSONAL PROPERTY	1.00000	50.00

Qualification Ratios, as shown, are the percentages of assessed valuations to true cash value as determined by a survey of individual assessments. The Multipliers are those necessary to bring the Ratios to the required 50% of estimated true cash value. The Multipliers, as shown, are tentative and subject to change as the result of possible adjustments by individual assessing officers. Assuming that no adjustments are made, the Multiplier may be applied to each individual valuation.

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Carol A. Ochs - City Clerk - 02/04/2009

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'Voices Without Borders' receives support from area

A newly formed local arts organization called Voices Without Borders received significant support from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Frey Foundation earlier this month.

Both awards are offered to help the fledgling Petoskey-based arts organization produce the Children of the World in Harmony, international children's choir and dance festival this summer.

Voices Without Borders has invited more than 375 young singers and dancers from all over the world to visit Little Traverse Bay in June.

Young singers and dancers from China, the Czech Republic, Mongolia, the Ukraine, Mexico, Canada, Hungary, the United States, Canada and Vietnam will entertain our northern Michigan audiences in venues all across the Little Traverse



COURTESY PHOTO

Jean Fought (far left) of Little Traverse Choral Society and Dale Hull (right) receive a grant award from Charlevoix County Community Foundation program officer, Sarah Allen. The Foundation has provided \$1,200 in support of the Children of the World in Harmony international children's choir and dance festival scheduled for the Little Traverse Bay in June 2009.

Bay region.

Festival week begins July 27, 2009 with several concerts scheduled for Petoskey,

Harbor Springs, Indian River, Charlevoix, Boyne City, Beaver Island, Northport, Mackinac City, Cheboygan

and other northern Michigan locations.

On Aug. 1 the Festival ends with a gala celebration and very special concert to be held on the stage of John Hall Auditorium at Bay View.

Sarah Allen, Program Officer at the Charlevoix County Community Foundation presented Voices Without Borders' representative Dale Hull a grant award of \$1,000 to be used in support of the program.

"As Voices Without Borders is waiting to receive its 501 C 3 status from the IRS," Fought said, "The Choral Society is acting as its fiduciary. We think it's important for local arts organizations to work together, to support each other, especially in these difficult economic times."

The Choral Society helped Voices Without Borders process its requests for funding and will continue to be supportive of the festival by helping arrange for home stays for visiting singers, dancers, choreographers and choir directors.

This is the 17th Children of the World in Harmony festival since the first one was presented in Hong Kong in 1982. Subsequent festivals have been held in metropolitan centers across Europe and Asia.

The Little Traverse Bay Area was selected for this year's festival site because of the strong interest shown by the arts community here.

"I can't imagine a better place to hold this festival," said Hull. "The young people who visit and perform here will learn more about what living in America is really like than any of them might otherwise learn by visiting New York, or Chicago, or Los Angeles."

In addition to financial assistance, Voices Without Borders is looking for assistance from families who might choose to provide home stays for the young people participating in the festival.

"There are a lot of ways to help," said Jack Kukuk, executive director of Voices Without Borders. "Especially needed are people who speak the languages of our young visitors."

If you are interested in volunteering for the festival, providing home stays, or functioning as a translator if necessary, please contact, Dr. Jack Kukuk, Festival Producer by e-mail at Choral-fest@msn.com or by phone at (480) 236 2196.

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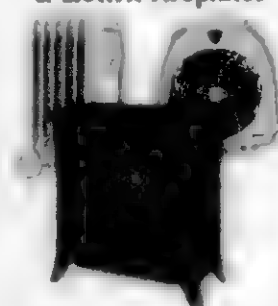
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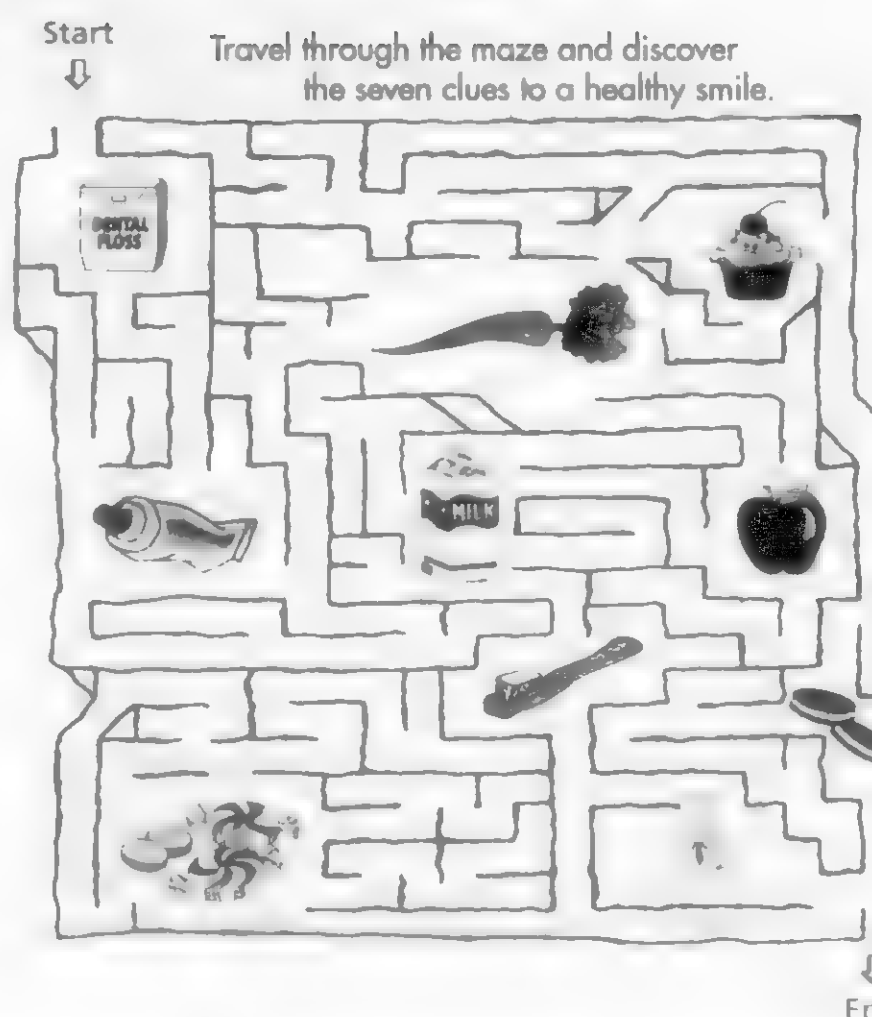
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Gentleman—and ladies—start your ovens!

Friske Orchards' 6th Annual Cherry Recipe Contest

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Life may not be a bowl of cherries, but Friske's upcoming contest is.

Enter your best cherry pie or breakfast dish in Friske's 6th Annual Cherry Recipe Contest.

"We have two categories each year... and this year it's best cherry pie and best cherry breakfast dish," said Friske general manager Jeremy VanLoo. "We started it initially to draw attention to National Cherry Month, which February is, but also to show the many different ways they (cherries) can be used."

Folks have until Feb. 20 to enter the free contest.

Six finalists in both categories will be chosen for the final taste-off at 10:30 a.m., Feb. 28.

A cherry pancake breakfast is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. that day, with a viewing of the finalists' entries at 10 a.m.

Stop in at the store located at 10743 North, US31 in Arwood, or call (888) 968-3554 or (231) 599-2604 to get your registration packet.

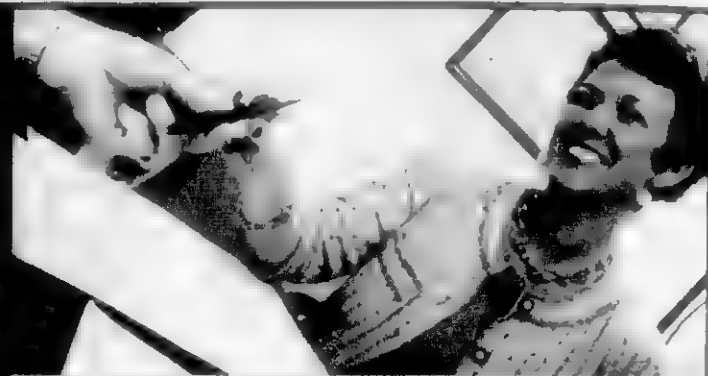
"Last year we probably got about, roughly, 15 entries in each (category)," VanLoo said. "Each year we've got incredible prizes, and this year we have a two-night stay at the Inn at Bay Harbor."

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RECIPE

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hor with a spa package and there is also a significant discount on a stay at Black Star Farms (on Leelanau Peninsula)."

VanLoo said the event continues to grow in popularity.

"This is for anybody that enjoys spending time in the kitchen," he said. "Recipes are limited to amateurs: no professional chefs."

But, VanLoo added, one needn't be a pro to make a mean cherry dish.

"There are a lot of local people that, with an abundance of great fresh fruits, do a phenomenal job of cooking," he said. "I think there are a lot of people that haven't entered

who might surprise themselves if they enter. I've had a lot of people enter and they are shocked when they make it as a finalist."

Last year's winners are as follows:

Cobblers, crisps and puddings

First place - Debbie Rhoads with her Cherry Dump Pudding Recipe

Second place - Linda Mathers with her Cherry Apple Crisp Recipe

Third place - Janice Harvey with her Roly-Poly Cherry Cobbler Recipe

Chutney and compotes

First place - Gayle Gennett with her Cherry Date Chutney Recipe

Second place - Diane Ne-

mutz with her Cherry Orchard Chutney Recipe

Third place - Kathleen Bowman with her Tropical Cherry Ginger Chutney Recipe

To aid potential contest entrants, all cherry products are 25 percent off for the month of February. The discount is available to anyone.

Fill out the registration packet on the Web or mail your recipe to:

Michelle Mernfield
Friske's Farm Market
10743 N. U.S. 31 at Atwood
Ellsworth, MI 49729

VanLoo said the best way to ensure your entry makes it to the judges is to follow the instructions he gave:

Each recipe must be typed or printed in black on a stan-



dard 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches sheet of paper

Entrants must list all ingredients in order of use. Give step-by-step instructions. Include the size of pan or utensils required, cooking temper-

atures and times, and number of servings or yield. Include any interesting background information or story about your recipe(s).

Contestants may submit recipes in each category, but

only one entry per person may qualify as a finalist. Each finalist must personally bring his/her finished product, prepared exactly from the recipe submitted to the market between 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Feb. 28.

Winners will be announced at 12:30 p.m.

Entries will be judged on visual appeal, taste, ease of preparation, best use of cherries and originality/creativity.

First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each category and all finalists will receive a consolation prize for participating.

Recipes become property of Friske Orchards and could be used in future publications, promotions or at the market.

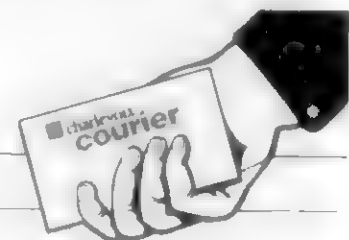
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monitors \$35/each. JVC stereo. \$100. Gateway tower. \$100. Quasar color 19" TV. \$40. (989)502-2179.(28)

DIGITAL CONVERTER box, Zano.

remote. \$40. (231)237-9310

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electric, range, brand new \$50. (231)547-3525

1350 SUPER SAVERS ITEMS UNDER \$1000

ELLIPTICAL MACHINE Excellent condition, paid \$399 on sale, one year old, will sacrifice for \$200. Great for that New Year's resolution!! Call (231)582-5397

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FRONT END with transfer case and springs for full-time four-wheel drive Chevrolet, 1970 to 1978. \$100. (231)881-3806.

GE STOVE natural gas, \$50. New line off Envoy, or lin. M&S. \$265/65R17. \$75. (231)675-4949.

HOME GYM Impex 190 lbs. of weight, great condition. \$250. Beautiful custom-made craft table, 3x6 ft. \$350. (231)439-5168

HUMIDIFIER Bemis 2 bottle, 5 gallon. \$50 or best offer. (231)348-0829.

JACK LALANNE'S Power Juicer. Like new. \$40. (989)732-9293.(07)

KITCHEN FAUCET Delta, brushed nickel, pull-out sprayer, soap dispenser. New, never used. Purchased \$285. Asking \$100. (231)636-6412.

MAN'S LEATHER coat with liner. Excellent condition. \$45. Navy trench coat with liner. Brand new. \$45. Size 42. (989)731-1254.(11)

MOTOROLA FM Business Band Radio, good operating condition. \$100. (231)527-0002.

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REFRIGERATOR CLEAN and in good working order. \$85. (231)547-5862.

REFRIGERATOR WHIRLPOOL, 21 cu. ft., 3 years old. \$100. (231)547-5862.

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SONY 32" TV, \$95. Elliptical exercise machine, 5 years old, \$85. (989)732-4450 after 4:30pm.(11)

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1350 SUPER SAVERS ITEMS UNDER \$1000

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TRUCK CARPET for 1968 Ford, brand new, \$100. Also, rear roll plan, new, door skins and bottoms for 1968 Ford truck, \$100. (231)330-1714.

UPRIGHT FLOW furnace, downflow furnace, shortbox Chevy Tonneau cover. Burton snowboard. \$100 each. (231)632-8621.

WASHER AND gas dryer, Gibson, white, stackable, great condition. \$100 each. (231)437-3048.

WASHER AND gas dryer. Like new. \$100/each or best offer. (989)300-5712.(07)

WEDDING RING set, gold with diamonds, size 7-1/2, brand new, must see. Paid \$2,500, asking \$1,000. (231)881-4999.

WHIRLPOOL DEHUMIDIFIER \$50. Animal groomer hot-blower dryer, \$75. (231)526-2476

WOMAN'S 100% down parka with wolf/beaver fur on hood. Size medium. \$75. Donna. (989)732-2847

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Commercial space, 1,300 sq. ft. \$750 per month plus utilities. 12705 US-31 North. Bob Kern, Real Estate One (231)547-5100.

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NEW RENT CONCESSIONS HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED! 1 & 2 Bedroom Units Available for Immediate Occupancy at Pine Cove and Charlevoix Apartments. One-bedroom rents: \$250 - \$586 per month. 2-bedroom rents: \$284 - \$629 per month. Rent is based on income. You must income-quality for concessions. Application fee is \$20 per adult; covers credit check, criminal check and rental history screening. Call (231)547-5202 for an application, or stop by 1001 May Street for applications and more information. TOD (800)649-3777. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

CHARLEVOIX 2 bedroom house in town, \$500 plus security deposit and utilities. (231)547-2008 PPN 011-018-006-26

1740 STORAGE SPACE FOR RENT

CHARLEVOIX NORTHSIDE
Self-storage units. 50 to 1,000 sq. ft., drive-in units, heated areas. Call Bob Kern, Real Estate One. (231)547-5100

STORAGE UNITS 12x32, 16x40, 20x40, and 24x40. Call Bob Kern, Real Estate One. (231)547-5100

STORAGE UNITS, Charlevoix Mini Storage. (231)547-5838, Closed Thursdays

1800 FARM EQUIPMENT

THREE POINT EQUIPMENT
Large selection. Gruler's Farm Supply, 05475 US 31 South, Charlevoix. (231)237-0693.

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HORSE AND LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES.
Large selection of feed, salt, seed. Gruler's Farm Supply, 05475 US 31 South, Charlevoix. (231)237-0693.

1830 PETS/PET SUPPLIES & FREE PET

BOSTON TERRIER pups. 5 boys, 1 girl. 6 weeks old. 1 time on leash. \$200. (989)217-0017.(07)

1910 AUTOS FOR SALE

1998 DOODGE Intrepid, 4 door. Loaded. 89,000 miles. 30mpg highway. Very good condition \$4,000. (989)732-4256.(04)

1930 PICKUPS/VANS & SUVs

1994 EDDIE Bauer Explorer, 4 wheel drive, 180,000 miles. \$1,600/best. (989)732-3080.(11)

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1940 HEAVY TRUCKS EQUIPMENT

FOR SALE

1991 FORD F700 Bucket Truck with 42' Versalift Boom, Model SHV-42-PI, one-man bucket, 7.0 L Gas Motor, Automatic, Extended Cab, Fiberglass Tool Bay, Four Bins each side, 50,000 miles, 3,877 hours. Boom rebuilt in 2008, full deck over cab, to be sold AS-IS, can be viewed at City of Charlevoix Electric Department, 401 W. Carpenter Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$6,000 Or Best Offer. Please call (231)547-3273

2030 BOATS & MARINE EQUIPMENT

FOR LEASE

40' BOAT SLIP 2009 season lease, Pine Lake Yacht Club on Lake Charlevoix. Full Amenities. \$2,000. E-mail: todd@versacos.com.

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Henry Hankins and Vicki Hankins, husband and wife of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgage to American General Financial Services (OE), Inc. dated the 23rd day of December, A.D. 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of December, A.D. 2006, in Liber 780, Page 377 of Charlevoix Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$188,357.51 (one hundred eighty-eight thousand three hundred fifty-seven and 51/100) plus accrued interest at 9.43% (nine point four three) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of March, A.D., 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix

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County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Norwood, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Township of Norwood, County of Charlevoix, Michigan: PARCEL G-2 A part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 18, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 18, thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 44 seconds East, along the East and West 1/4 line 2,400.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 755.47 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 06 seconds East 379.88 feet; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 03 seconds West 577.01 feet; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 06 seconds West 374.84 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 577.00 feet to the point of beginning; together with a 40 foot wide easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, the East line of which is more particularly described as beginning at the center of said Section 18, thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 03 seconds West 1,058.00 feet to its point of beginning; and thence known as: 175101 Ferry Road PPN 011-018-006-26

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 11, 2009

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A. (P.A. 41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Hubbard Drive Suite 200 Troy, MI 48064

WWH# 10019446 ASAP# 2984966 (02/11/02/18/02/25/03/04)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 6, Hemingway Pointe Club, according to the consolidating Master Deed recorded in Liber 322, Page 101 through 153, inclusive, and as amended in First Amendment to Consolidating Master Deed in Liber 335, Page 947, and Amendment and restatement of consolidating Master Deed of Hemingway Pointe Club, as Recorded in Liber 414, Page 971, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 21 together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as Amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2009

For more information, please call: FC R 248.593.1303

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #231090F02 (L-02/04,02/11,02/18,02/25)

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 6, Hemingway Pointe Club, according to the consolidating Master Deed recorded in Liber 322, Page 101 through 153, inclusive, and as amended in First Amendment to Consolidating Master Deed in Liber 335, Page 947, and Amendment and restatement of consolidating Master Deed of Hemingway Pointe Club, as Recorded in Liber 414, Page 971, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 21 together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as Amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2009

For more information, please call: FC R 248.593.1303

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File #231090F02 (L-02/04,02/11,02/18,02/25)

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute

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MENCING AT THE WEST 1 / 4
CORNER OF SECTION 34
TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE
6 WEST THENCE SOUTH 88
DEGREES 28 MINUTES EAST
ALONG THE EAST AND WEST
1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION
2846 59 FEET TO THE CENTER
OF SAID SECTION 34; THENCE
SOUTH 36 DEGREES 00 MIN.

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UTES EAST 707.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE SOUTH 64 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 59.65 FEET TO THE EDGE OF A PRIVATE ROAD, THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 01 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE PRIVATE ROAD 226.71 FEET, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID PRIVATE ROAD SOUTH 78 DEGREES 05 MINUTES EAST 124.89 FEET, THENCE NORTH 52 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST 201.29 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE ON THE SHORE OF WALLOON LAKE, THENCE NORTH 38 DEGREES 27 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE LAKE SHORE 304.44 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE, THENCE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 149.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 34, INCLUDING ALL LAND LYING BETWEEN THE SHORE LINE AND THE WATER'S EDGE OF WALLOON LAKE.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated January 29, 2009

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lenders successors and assigns, Mortgage Assignee, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450, Southfield, MI 48075 (L-02/04, 02/11, 02/18, 02/25)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott A. Lousselle, a married man and Cynthia Marie Lousselle, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., Mortgagee, dated December 29, 2006, and recorded on March 14, 2007 in Liber 795 on Page 6, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy and 00/100 Dollars (\$248,170.00), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: LOT NO. 2 OF RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN TAX ID NO. 15-015-050-002-00.

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East along the North line of said Section 35, 1364.11 feet to the West 1/8 line, thence South 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds East along said 1/8 line 535.78 feet to the Point of Beginning, said point of beginning being on the corner line of Norwood Road thence continuing South 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds East along said corner line 125 feet thence North 89 Degrees 36 Minutes 35 Seconds West 240 feet, thence North 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds West 125 feet to the South line of Norwood Cemetery thence South 89 Degrees 36 Minutes 35 Seconds East along said South line 240 feet to Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 11, 2009

For more information, please call FC L248 593 1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Services
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #244823F01
(L-02/11, 02/18, 02/25, 03/04)

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by THEODORE M. GREEN, AN UNMARRIED MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lenders successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2005, and recorded on July 25, 2005, in Liber 694, on Page 322, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand One Hundred Ninety-One and Sixty-Seven Cents (\$78,191.67), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: LOT NO. 2 OF RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN TAX ID NO. 15-015-050-002-00.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated January 29, 2009

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THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive,
Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
(L-02/04, 02/11, 02/18, 02/25)

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vancin Hang and Myker Vang, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 26, 2005, and recorded on August 9, 2005 in Liber 687 on Page 502, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, 2005-8 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Four and 63/100 Dollars (\$167,974.63), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Marston, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5, Flanders Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, Part of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 33 North, Range 8 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2009

For more information, please call FC D 248 593 1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Services
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #243794F01
(L-02/04, 02/11, 02/18, 02/25)

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: LOT NO. 2 OF RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN TAX ID NO. 15-015-050-002-00.

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Dated January 29, 2009

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
FAMILY DIVISION
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY
PUBLICATION OF
HEARING
CASE NO. 07006131-NA
PETITION NO. 07000139**

IN THE MATTER OF:
Kaylee Anne Ennik
DOB: 10/25/2001
Caden Michael Ennik
DOB: 09/26/2002
Clayton Matthew Ennik
DOB: 10/20/2005

A hearing regarding termination of parental rights in a child protective proceeding will be conducted by the court on Friday, March 6, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Charlevoix County Probate/Family Court, 301 State Street, County Building, Charlevoix, MI before Judge Frederick R. Mulhauser.

It is therefore ordered that Ryan Lamond Ennik personally appear before the court at the time and place stated above.

The hearing may result in the termination of your parental rights. (L-02/11)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 09-011326-DE**

Estate of Rose Mary Darrow, Deceased
Date of Birth: 04/12/1935

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Rose Mary Darrow who lived at 00175 Rogers Road, Boyne City, Michigan, died on January 7, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Suzanne Marie Wise, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, at both the probate court at Charlevoix County Bldg., 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: February 11, 2009
Robert A. Banner (P44709)
213 South Lake Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231)582-1710

Suzanne Marie Wise
00209 Rogers Road
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231)582-5714
(L-02/11)

For more information, please call FC D 248 593 1309
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File #243794F01
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
DECEDENT'S ESTATE
FILE NO. 09-011332-DE**

Estate of Agnes Rose Bergmann
Date of Birth: June 7, 1916

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Agnes Rose Bergmann, who lived at 13417 Division Street, Charlevoix, Michigan died January 18, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Charles M. Bergmann and Lois A. Michelin, named co-personal representatives or proposed co-personal representatives, at both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed co-personal representatives within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: February 11, 2009
Scott T. Beatty (P24202)
111 State Street, Ste. 1
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231)547-4059

Charles M. Bergmann
10129 Old 31 North
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231)547-9610

Lois A. Michelin
218 W. Truman
Newberry, MI 49868
(906)293-8379
(L-02/11)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
DECEDENT'S ESTATE
FILE NO.**

Estate of Janis Louise Krupa, Deceased
Date of Birth: 09/04/1947

TO ALL CREDITORS:
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Dated: February 11, 2009
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COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 09-011333-DE**

Estate of Betty Jean Hodgkinson, Deceased
Date of Birth: 09/25/1932

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Vandal case to go to trial

VANDALISM
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School building and trades classes built last year, threw paint and spray painted various surfaces in the house for an estimated \$2,500 to \$3,500 in damage—though the actual cost to repair the damage was much less due to the efforts of numerous volunteers.

Charlevoix high building and trades instructor Brian Cerna testified that he sent two students into the project house on the day in question to gather materials for building counter tops. One of the students was Wilhelm.

The students returned from the project house to inform Cerna of the damage, police were notified and a lockdown of the entire premises was initiated.

During the lockdown, Charlevoix County Sheriff deputies, including Det. Mike Wheat, searched room to room for any students with paint on their clothing, shoes or skin.

Wheat told the court he no need Wilhelm had paint on his shoe and pants, and began questioning him.

"He got very upset and said he wanted to speak to an attorney," Wheat said.

Wilhelm's mother was called to the school and it was then, during discussions with the former student and his mother, that Wheat indicated a search warrant was on its way and that he would be needing the pants.

"He stood up, took off his pants and left the building very quickly," Wheat said.

Jarema said there were at least three people not related

to the Wilhelms in the Wilhelm home as police searched for, found and bagged evidence, but somehow the sweatpants never made it to the sheriff's office evidence room.

Wilhelm's defense asserted that the paint on her client's shoe and pants could have been from when he walked into the project house the day the damage was found.

A sweatshirt containing what an expert from the Michigan State Police Crime Lab referred to as "substantially similar" paint in all aspects, including chemical composition, to the paint used in the crime was found at the Wilhelm residence.

The expert would not say the paint was a match because since paint is manufactured in such large quantities there is no way to determine that it did not come from another source.

And, witness Jason Faulkner was flown in from Oregon by the Wilhelm family to testify that he got paint on the sweatshirt in 2005 and 2006, while working as a painter, before giving the shirt to Wilhelm in 2007.

The prosecution also admitted to evidence that Wilhelm's fingerprints were found on the unlocked window in the project house, but the judge ruled that, since Wilhelm had been working on the house most of the school year, his prints were expected to be found in the house.

"This is another sad case for Charlevoix," Jarema said. "The prosecutor's office is taking the stand that we will not tolerate this sort of vandalism."

Jarema added that, based on the testimony of some, more interviews will be conducted. A Feb. 27 scheduling conference is expected to yield trial dates.

"I feel pretty good about our chances at trial," Kur said. "He (Wilhelm) is adamant that he didn't do it."

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ONGOING EVENTS:

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NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants.

and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule
• Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities
• March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers
• March 12 - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mihues@cah.org.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Blue Velvet on Feb. 19, A Simple Plan on March 5, Lo Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion

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The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.:

February 22 - "Supply and Demand" and "Price Floors and Ceilings"

March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages"

March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

FEB. 11

Charlevoix schools budget forum

From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Feb. 11 at the Charlevoix Public Library community room, Arch Lewis will speak during a budget forum. This event is not sponsored or endorsed by Charlevoix Public Schools.



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A couple of busy bees

The Charlevoix Middle School all-school spelling bee was held on Jan. 7. Seventh graders Mac McPherson and champion Nicholas Snabes also competed in the county bee on Feb. 5 in Harbor Springs.

FEB. 12

Future land use plan hearing

At 7:15 p.m., Feb. 12, the county planning commission will host a public hearing on its draft of a future land use plan for Charlevoix County. The meeting is open to the public. The Pine Lake Room is in the basement of the county building, 301 State St., Charlevoix.

Organ transplant support

At 6 p.m., Feb. 12, at Professional Medical Building conference room, 825 North Center/US27 in Gaylord. Call (989) 983-4188 or e-mail bevo@rocc.com.

S.A.D. presentation.

Learn all about Seasonal Affective Disorder from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Feb. 12 at the Charlevoix Public Library. North Country Community Mental Health staff will present an overview of the disorder followed by a question and answer period.

FEB. 14

Healing H'Arts reception
From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Circle of Arts there will be a Valentine's Day Party. Open to all; cost is \$12 for seniors; \$40 for those younger than 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 or e-mail megpois@global.net.

retreat

At 9 a.m., Feb. 14 in Charlevoix library's community room, women will be treated to a mini retreat featuring music, a catered brunch at 10 a.m. and more. Call 237-9686 or e-mail info@ringamuffintheatre.com to purchase tickets.

Low-cost groceries for all

Angel Food Ministries February orders will be taken from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Feb. 14 at Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene and 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine River apartments (residence only).

For further information call Bob and Edna Fales at 547-9346 and/or (810) 304-0375.

FEB. 17

Everest climber speaks

Louis Kasischke happened to survive one of the worst disasters in Mount Everest history. Kasischke will tell his story at 7 p.m., Feb. 17 at Charlevoix Public Library. Kasischke talks of the people facing enormous internal and external challenges. His is the story of leadership, teamwork, and decision making all which helped him survive. Kasischke tells this heroic story through his own words and photographs. Call 237-7340 for more information.

Tai Chi classes

Six-week Tai Chi classes for beginners at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at Charlevoix Public Library community room "B"; intermediate meets 11 a.m. at the same location and day. Open to all; cost is \$12 for seniors; \$40 for those younger than 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 or e-mail megpois@global.net.

FEB. 21

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Mardi Gras Masquerade

From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Feb. 21, St. Marys School is hosting a fundraiser at Castle Farms with a costume contest, cash bar, mystery raffle, live entertainment and more.

Tickets, which cost \$30 per person are available at the Charlevoix Screenmasters and Castle Farms. Call 547-5111 for more information.

FEB. 21 THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St.

Classes and events
• Beginning Rug Hooking - 9:30 to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 21 - \$45
• Healing H'Arts - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Feb. 14 for opening reception; drop off your work between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Feb. 9 or 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 10. Exhibit lasts until March 31. Cost is \$5.

ONLINE EVENTS

• Life Drawing Open Studio - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 21, March 21, April 18 and May 16 cost is \$12 for members; \$10 for others.
Call 547-2333 for registration and further details or visit www.circle-of-arts.org.

FEB. 21

Scrapbooking for all

From 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Public Library, scrapbookers new and experienced are invited to join. Visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Char-Em_Scrapbookers for more information.

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Chamber Attends the State of the State Address

February 3rd and 4th, was a historical day for the state of Michigan. The governor presented the State of the State Address depicting the priorities for Michigan's economic future. The Northwest Michigan Regional Chamber Alliance partners were in attendance at this event. Also while at the State Capitol they had the opportunity to meet face-to-face with government officials on behalf of their memberships. Among these key legislators were Representatives Wayne Schmidt, Dan Scripps, Minority Leader Kevin Elsenheimer, Gary McDowell, and Darwin Boohar. They also met with Senate Majority Leader, Mike Bishop; Senate Minority Leader, Mike Prusi; Policy Director for the Governor, Regina Bell; Senators Jason Allen and Michelle McManus, and Fred Hoffman, Special Advisor to the Governor for Economic Development and Special Projects.

Lunch & Learn

The Chamber and NLEA are proud to introduce to you the first of four "Lunch & Learn" Chamber Workshop Series. Join your colleagues to learn about "Marketing on a Budget" from 11:30am to 1pm at the Charlevoix Public Library. Admission is \$25 for Chamber members and \$35 general admission. Lunch is included.

Business After Hours at Sadie & Jake's

Meet and greet fellow businessmen at Business After Hours on February 12th, from 5 to 7 pm, hosted by Sadie & Jake's Gallery Café. Held once a month, Business After Hours provides an excellent opportunity for businesses to get acquainted face-to-face. Positive impressions created here can lead to new contacts and clientele for years to come. Light refreshments will be provided accompanied by a friendly atmosphere.

Employee Free Choice Act

The Employee Free Choice Act is a key piece of federal legislation that is expected to move through Congress early in the Obama Administration. The act would take away private, confidential voting by employees in a situation where a union is attempting to organize within a business. The bill would also dramatically reduce the length of time for a contract to be settled before it goes to arbitration, and would dramatically increase penalties against employers for violations during an organizing campaign.

While the Northwest Michigan Regional Chamber Alliance partners - Petoskey, Traverse City, Gaylord, Benzke, Cadillac, and Charlevoix - will be advocating against this legislation, it is anticipated it will be enacted this year. To help businesses prepare for the Employee Free Choice Act (also called the Card Check Legislation), the Regional Chamber Alliance is hosting a seminar on Friday, February 27, 9 a.m. until Noon at the Boyne Mountain Grand Lodge.

The featured speaker will be renowned Michigan Labor Attorney Steven J. Fishman of Bodman LLC. The cost of the program is \$49/person for owners, CEOs, COOs, and HR Managers of area chamber member businesses. It is \$69/person for non-members. Registration is coordinated by the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce at 347-4150 or chamber@petoskey.com.



Steven J. Fishman

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb 12	Business After Hours at Sadie & Jake's; 5 to 7pm
Feb 18	Lunch & Learn, "Marketing on a Budget;" 11:30am to 1pm; Charlevoix Public Library
Feb 19	NW Academy Benefit Concert; 547.9000
Feb 21	Mardi Gras Masquerade; 547.5111
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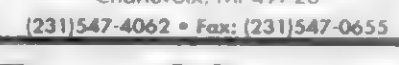
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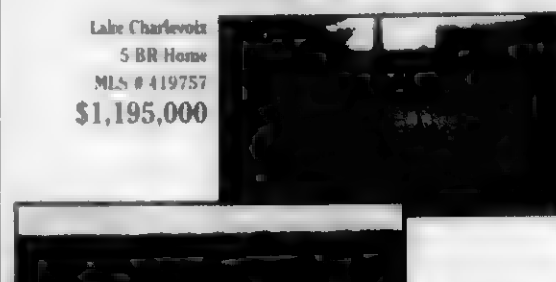
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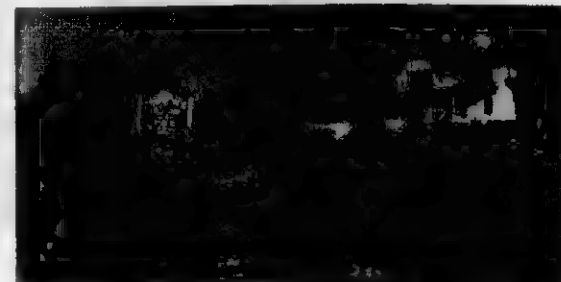
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Police mistreatment claimed, but no complaint filed

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A 30-year-old woman who recently told a local TV news station she was mistreated by a Charlevoix police officer has yet to file a complaint with the department.

Charlevoix Police Chief Gerard Doan said he takes these kinds of accusations very seriously.

"Through investigation I was made aware that four people witnessed the traffic stop," Doan said. "I interviewed the individuals and received written statements from them and I have addressed the alleged situation with the officer."

Doan added that despite several attempts to contact Elena Michelle Warner—who said a Feb. 1 traffic stop involved having a gun pointed at her—she has yet to discuss the matter with him or file a

formal complaint with his office.

"It's still under investigation at this time," Doan said. "I want to reassure the public that I take these types of allegations very seriously and I am looking into the matter with all the information I have available."

According to the Michigan State Police, the matter does not currently warrant an independent investigation and Doan is following standard procedure by continuing an internal investigation into the matter.

The wife, mother and daycare center operator had just left Charlevoix Area Hospital when the alleged incident occurred.

"I was leaving at probably quarter after nine in the morning because one of my best friends had given birth and I was there all night," Warner said. "I

was leaving and heading down Antrim Street when a police officer passed me, then turned around



Warner

and was following me."

Warner said she looked at her speedometer and saw that she was probably going four to five miles over the speed limit.

"He turned his lights on but there was nowhere to pull over because cars lined the street," she said.

"So, I pulled over immediately where I could."

Warner said the officer stayed in the middle of the road and in his car. It was then that she thought she needed to driver her car a few car lengths farther ahead to where there was room to be safely off the road.

"He came charging at me with his gun pointed at me screaming for me to freeze and put my hands up," she said. "At this point I'm confused and thinking someone robbed a bank or something. Warner said the officer grabbed her arm, twisted it out the door and forced her out of the vehicle at gunpoint."

"He wouldn't let me explain, he just kept screaming at me that it's a felony to flee and elude an officer," she

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Are Charlevoix Schools broke?

MEA says 'No,' Officials say 'Not so fast'

Michigan Educational Association financial analyst Arch Lewis' recent presentation on Charlevoix schools' financial situation shows the district is flush with cash.

Lewis said his visit to the area was prompted when members of the union repre-

senting Charlevoix teachers called him and asked him if the Charlevoix Public Schools were broke.

"I'm not an accountant. I'm not a bean counter, that's not my side. What my side is to take a look at those numbers and see if the money is be-

ing spent efficiently and is accommodating the business's purpose," Lewis said during last week's presentation. "A lot of times when I was in the private sector I worked with businesses that were in trouble. I will tell you flat out ... that is not the case with

Charlevoix schools."

Lewis told an audience of more than 80 that Michigan is near dead last in unemployment, employment growth and population and personal income growth.

But, he said Charlevoix Public Schools' revenue stream is relatively stable

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Islanders hot over extra \$1 fee

City vows to seek other revenue

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

While they didn't storm council chambers with torches and strands of garlic, mainland and island residents concerned over the proposed \$1 per air passenger enplanement fee made their opposition known.

A crowd of a little more than 30 attended the Feb. 16 public hearing on the 2009-2010 budget, which included the enplanement fee measure, that was passed unanimously.

Before I open up to the audience I would like to take a few moments ... I did respond to almost every single e-mail," said Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. of the 64 e-mails and letters received on the enplanement fee in recent days. "The first thing is this is not a tax. This is definitely not a tax to balance our budget."

Carlson added, "These funds that are collected from that fee can only be used for capital improvements on said airport. So it's not something that we're taking this money and balancing our budget, padding our pockets or, as someone put it, stuffing our coffers. It is simply to help with the budget at the airport by taking away some of the money we were putting into capital improvements and diverting some of those back to actual expenses to run the

airport."

Proposed capital improvements could include security gates, efficient lighting and runway work.

Bill McDonough of Beaver Island said if there would have been communication it wouldn't have looked like council was trying to slip the fee in "under the radar."

Most, even more distant than that is the two primary operators (airlines). I have found have not been consulted," he said. "It's not about the price. It's about the principal."

McDonough said island residents must spend extra money for basic necessities.

"I suppose you could say that's our choice that's where we live, but that's tremendous extra cost," he said. "It does become a burden."

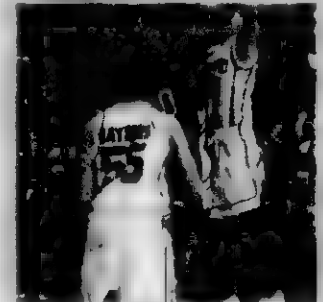
McDonough added, "I'd rather have a hand extended, working with (you) rather than feel like we're on opposite ends working against each other."

Island resident Ed Wojan said since people overwhelmingly use the local airport to travel to and from Beaver Island, this affects his neighbors most.

"There are a lot of revenue sources that might be available other than a plane tax that we'd like you to look into," he said.

The sentiments of island resi-

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Alexander L. Vermillion weighing 8 pounds was born to Yensha and Matthew Vermillion of East Jordan.

His sibling is Carol L. His grandparents are Ivan Castle of East Jordan, Patti Whitely of Eastport, Darlen Vermillion and Martin Vermillion of Oklahoma. His great-grandparent is Fran Castle of Charlevoix.

Emily Lacy weighing 10 pounds, 3 ounces was born Feb. 10 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Pamela Sloan and Charles Scott Lacy of Bellaire.

Her siblings are Jacob and Alex Lacy. Her grandparents are Robin and Ron Barkley of Charlevoix, Joann Lacy of Central Lake, and Chuck Lacy of Bellaire. Her great-grandparent is Donna Sloan of Boyne City.

Jay David Clark weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces was born Feb. 6 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to David and Chelsea Clark of Charlevoix. His sibling is Braeden Clark. His grandparents are Mary and David Pischner of Charlevoix, Mary Ann and Richard Teahart of Traverse City and Mary and the late Merritt Clark of Reed City. His great-grandparents are Jay and Josephine DeVogel of Grand Rapids and Wilford and Mary Pischner from Charlevoix.

Jayden Brian DeSoto weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces was born Jan. 20 to Brian and Becky DeSoto of Homer Glen, Illinois. His sister is Larissa. His grandparents are Pete and Judy VanderArk of Ellsworth, Mich., Cliss and Linda Farrant, of Seneca, SC and Jerry DeSoto of Lansing, Ill. His great-grandmother is Loretta Heaps of Calumet City, Ill.

Alexandria Collette Kline weighing 7, pounds 9 ounces was born Feb. 9 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Ken and Tina Kline Jr. of East Jordan. Her siblings are Michael Hosler II, Eric Hosler, Chelsea Kline, Stephen Hosler, and Lucas Hosler. Her grandparents are Dana and Collette Kolasinski of Phoenix Ariz., Ken Sr. and Verma Kline of East Jordan. Vivian Kline of Mancelona and Tim Roof Sr. of Boyne City.

Abigail May Stephenson weighing 9, pounds 2 ounces was born Feb. 10 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jim and Mandy Stephenson of Petoskey. Her siblings are Jimmy and Chelsey Stephenson, and Alexis and Isaac Beardsley. Her grandparents are Tula and Tony Lee, Alan Footer, Theresa and the late Gerald Price all of Petoskey and Rob and Ginny Stephenson of Boyne City. Her great-grandparents are Elva Stephenson of Boyne City, M. and Edna Kilmer of Alanson, Jim and Carol Rose of Standard and Ann Schorenek of Petoskey.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Kevin Michael Wixson, 41, Gaylord. Allowed an uncited minor to drive. Pay \$100 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Derrick James Shearer, 20, Petoskey. Motor vehicle without security. Pay \$315 in fines and costs.

Jackson Royal Watkins, 20, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 hours of community service work; \$200 in fines and costs.

Michael Allen Curtis, 17, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 hours of community service work; \$200 in fines and costs.

Sonya Marie Walden, 36, East Jordan. Larceny, more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Pay \$500 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Bradley Thomas Lovell, 44, Vicksburg. Driving while license suspended, first offense. To serve six days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

Runberg Cottage Maintenance, 37600 Old Brothers Road, Beaver Island, by John S. and Carol A. Runberg. Boyne City Dairy Queen. 201 East Water St., Boyne City, by Betty Korhase. Cards and Cues, 4745 US 31 South, Charlevoix, by Steven Bowen.

Smith has a Bachelor of Arts from Michigan State University, a Master of Arts from Western Michigan University, and received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

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All not enthralled by land plan
Special meeting called

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Few spoke on the proposed Charlevoix County Land Use Plan during the Feb. 11 county commissioner's meeting, but those that did were not happy.

County resident Peter Vellenga told commissioners that zoning is irksome enough without additional layers of government bureaucracy.

"As I looked at the plan what really struck me and bothered me is all the sudden I find my favorite people there (the EPA) and this is all based on a push by the EPA," Vellenga said.

"You say 'All we're doing is recommending' well I'll tell you I've been in those meetings and Larry (Sullivan, county planner) comes in and says 'This is what you have to do' and if you have a question about that you'll see ... we are told by the county what we have to do."

He added, "We've got Big

Brother here."

The land use plan has been drafted by the Charlevoix County Planner and planning commission and billed as a "County-wide vision to support existing and future local planning" according to the draft plan itself.

The meeting to discuss comments the planning commission has received on the matter is scheduled for 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 19 in the Pine Lake Room in the basement of the Charlevoix County Building.

Vallenga told commissioners he felt the zoning laws were not being applied equally and that he was flawed thinking for the county to enact a land use plan when Charlevoix County has no authority over townships, villages and cities as it pertains to zoning.

"I think equal protection means that if you are equal it needs to be equal," he said. "And, I ask that you do away with the planning commission

and the planning department."

According to the drafters of the land use plan, they recognize that each city, village and township has its own master plan, comprehensive plan or legal ability to create and adopt one and that the plan was adopted to facilitate planning among townships, cities, villages and the county; promote the use of the county-wide vision to assist all units of government in the county with the procurement of grants; support local planning and zoning activities at all governmental levels with data, studies and educational resources; serve as a guide to the board of commissioners, the county planning commission and county departments in their decision-making process regarding county-owned properties.

"The Charlevoix County Future Land Use Plan is not intended to replace or supersede any local plan in the county.

It has not been developed for, nor is it intended as the basis for developing a county zoning ordinance to replace township and city zoning ordinances," the plan reads.

The plan, its authors contend, is based on what they call "smart growth" principles. "Smart growth principles provide a framework that fosters growth, economic development and job creation. It provides for strong communities and neighborhoods with a variety of housing types, a mixture of land uses that allow people to walk to work, shopping areas, recreational and cultural amenities, and enable agricultural and forestry activities, that have been a historic backbone of the county, to flourish."

Thursday's special meeting is open to the public.

Call 547-7234 for more information.



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Voices Without
Borders

Jean Fought (far left) of Little Traverse Choral Society and Dale Hull (right) receive a grant award from Charlevoix County Community Foundation program officer, Sarah Allen. The Foundation has provided \$1,200 in support of the Children of the World in Harmony international children's choir and dance festival scheduled for the Little Traverse Bay in June 2009.

Analyst reports school revenue stream is stable

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and therefore there is no need to worry about a possible shortfall in operating funds.

"While all of those things are completely true, they really have very little to do with the fortunes of the Charlevoix schools," Lewis said. "That leaves us with a choice. We can use this information to argue for limitations and talk about why we can't do things. Or, we can take control of the district's financial future."

Lewis' calculations showed that the schools will see a surplus of nearly \$800,000 instead of the \$800,000 to \$1 million shortfall projected for next school year.

Hosmer said school administration officials, that is far from the truth.

"We are in disagreement with his financial position," said Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet

Janik. "Our books are audited every year as is every school district in the state of Michigan."

The audits are available for any member of the public who wishes to view them.

Janik said what Lewis' presentation comes down to is contract negotiations.

Since the teachers and administration have yet to agree on what both parties feel is a fair increase in pay and benefits, Lewis was brought in to apparently rally the troops.

"Our negotiation team sat through Mr. Lewis' presentation last summer," Janik said. "Since that time, Shawn (Biddle, Charlevoix Public Schools business manager) has tried numerous times to contact Mr. Lewis to ask him where he got his numbers from, but he has not responded to Shawn."

"WE ARE IN DISAGREEMENT WITH HIS FINANCIAL POSITION."

-CHET JANIK, SUPERINTENDENT

Lewis said his numbers came straight from the State of Michigan.

Janik said his business manager can verify every number in the district's budget.

Lewis said the schools routinely carry a larger fund balance than necessary.

However, according to Biddle, the state association of school business managers

advises the 10 to 15 percent rainy day fund Charlevoix Public Schools tends to maintain.

A good example of why they do that, Janik said, was the governor's announcement the day after Lewis' presentation that there would be a \$59 per student reduction in per pupil funding for the upcoming school year.

But, Lewis argued, any money not being used to run the school should be utilized as educational improvement.

While Charlevoix Public Schools did not endorse or sponsor Lewis' presentation, there will be at least two

public forums on the budget spearheaded by the district.

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First place

On Feb. 7, the Webelos Pack 11 took first place in the Klondike Derby in Bellaire. Pictured are (front, from left) Jacob Archy, Nathan Lindfors, Daniel Nesburg, Jeremiah Utley and (back, from left) Melissa Archy, Harley Argetsinger, Roger Nesberg and Tyler Fuchs. The pack participated in events including fire building, shelter building, first-aid and water rescue.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Petoskey boys finish runner-up in Division II ski regional

STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW

One down, but another trigger one to go.

Following the model their girls' team used two years ago, the Boyne City boys' ski team is hoping a strong regional performance will carry over to the state meet.

The Ramblers used a dominating performance in the morning giant slalom event and followed that up by winning the slalom en route to earning the Division II regional title Thursday at Nub's Nob.

Boyne City finished first with 69 points, while Petoskey, the defending Division II state champion, was second with 105 and Iron Mountain third with 120.5.

The top three teams and certain individuals on non-qualifying teams all advance to the Division II state finals Monday, Feb. 23, at Marquette Mountain.

Veteran Boyne City coach Bob Simpson said it's been a long time — too long to remember — since the Rambler boys have won a regional crown.

"I just told the kids to keep their heads level and look forward to the state meet," Simpson said. "Don't get too high or too low. You never know what's going to happen."

Kaleb McNamara, who won the boys' slalom in 1 minute, 8.30 seconds, said he was proud of Boyne's performance.

"It feels awesome," McNamara said. "We haven't done this as a team in a while so it feels good."

Drake Doherty of Harbor Springs won the individual GS crown as he finished in 51.84 seconds, while Boyne City's Mike Cortright was second in 51.92.

"We were all pretty nervous, but we were determined to win it as well," McNamara said. "All our guys stood and we were consistent on both runs. We skied pretty decent."

Three Ramblers placed within the top 10 in GS as Cortright was runner-up, McNamara was fifth and Tom Hague was 10th. Also for the Ramblers in GS, Dean Hague was 11th, followed by Andy Blossom, 24th, and Paul Solomon, 33rd.

"All year, we've been skiing really strong in GS," Simpson said. "Our GS has always been pretty consistent."

Also in slalom for the Ramblers, Cortright was third, while Tom Hague was 11th and Jared Freidrich was 26th.

"Kaleb's been skiing solid all year for us and all the guys have been doing pretty good," Simpson said. "I'm extremely happy with how they skied."

Veteran Petoskey coach Brewster McVicker was also happy with his team's performance following a tough morning session in GS.

"I feel pretty good that we're in (the state meet) because things were looking pretty dire after the GS," McVicker said. "Our guys battled back and we just had to minimize mistakes as best we could."

For the Northerners, Robbie Doull was a team-best fourth in slalom and sixth in GS, while Michael Swabash was eighth in slalom, and Don Schappacher was eighth in GS, 10th in slalom.

"Robbie (Doull) was very consistent and Don Schappacher

er, for just his second year ski racing, is an incredible story," McVicker said. "He's worked very hard at what he's doing."

Swabash's performance in slalom was also key, as he returned from a broken arm to earn a top 10 finish skiing out of the sixth seed.

"He was concerned about holding onto his pole and with his confidence, but he pulled off a strong run," McVicker said.

Also for the Northerners, Michael Drake was 21st in GS, while Kyle Antonishen was 26th, and Swabash, 51st. In slalom, Dick Dinon was 23rd, and Robbie Pemberton, 35th.

"Hopefully our guys can step up the pace and be competitive in the next 10 days," McVicker said. "I thought slalom really was where the race was won today and it was an outstanding performance from Boyne City. They really tore it up and my hat goes off to them."

Harbor Springs, the state runner-up last season, just missed out of a state qualifying berth as it finished fourth with 130 points.

"Drake (Doherty) did a great

job in GS, but it was unfortunate for him in slalom," Harbor coach Jane Ramer said.

Doherty placed 13th in slalom after missing a gate near the bottom of the course during his second run. Doherty's first run in slalom was a day's best time of 34.94 seconds.

Other Harbor boys skiers: Cody Yothers, 14th GS; Dan Davis, 16th slalom, 22nd GS; Robert Mathews, 17th slalom; Evan Maunders, 29th slalom, 32nd GS.

Charlevoix-East Jordan's best finisher was Tanner Fisher in GS as he was 20th. Other Charlevoix-East Jordan skiers: Paul Stolt, 23rd slalom, 35th GS; Brian Shutler, 25th slalom, Joe Hidakastu, 27th slalom, 37th GS; Michael Cardwell, 29th GS; Luke Hawley, 32nd slalom.

Inland Lakes' Errol Jones placed 12th in GS to lead the Bulldogs.

Other Inland Lakes skiers: Chris Pearson, 40th slalom, 52nd GS; Alex Greenlaw, 42nd GS; John Hutchinson, 42nd slalom; Troy Vizna, 43rd slalom; Riley Hirm, 50th GS.

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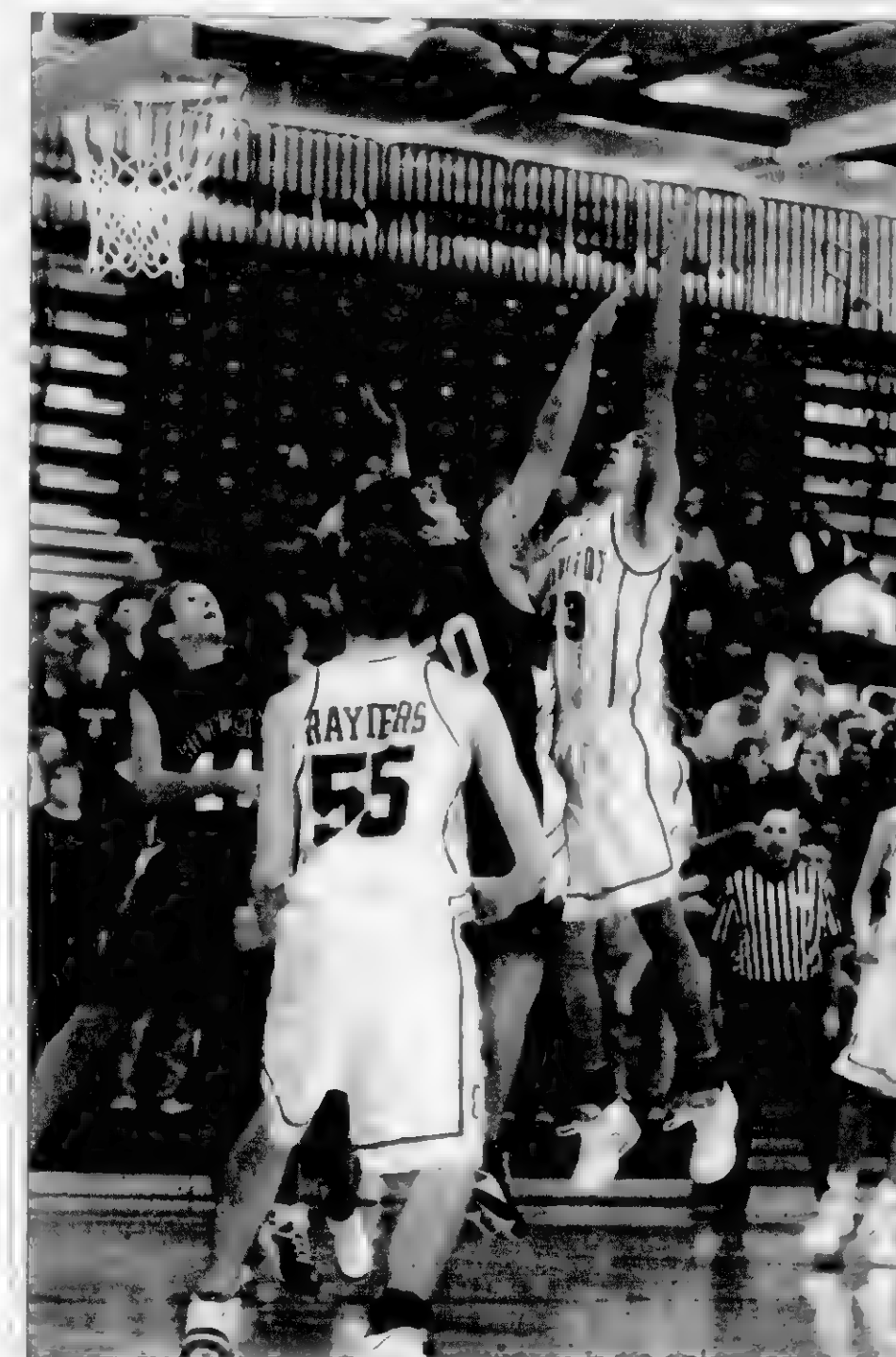
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Friday the 13th unlucky? Only for the Ramblers

Rayder boys do it again. Charlevoix pulled out a 49-42 victory over Boyne City on Friday, Feb. 13 at home. Here number 23 Justin Friske puts up a shot over a Boyne City defender while number 55 Brock Yenglin stands at the ready. See more pictures from the game at www.MChrisLeese.com.

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Prep boys' basketball: Charlevoix rebounds, keeps pace in Lake Michigan Conference

It took Charlevoix two quarters of basketball to shake off the after effects of its first Lake Michigan Conference boys' basketball loss of the season.

The Rayders trailed Boyne City, 29-19, at halftime Friday, Feb. 13 then outscored the Ramblers 30-13 in the second half to claim a 49-42 victory.

Boyne "played with great intensity in the first half," said Charlevoix coach Keith Haske, whose team, which is ranked fifth in the Associated Press Class C state poll, improved to 13-2 overall and 9-1 in the league. "They outworked and outplayed us in the first half."

"We came out in the second half with much more focus, more intensity."

The Rayders, who fell into a first-place tie in the league with Traverse City St. Francis with a 43-41 loss to the Gladiators on Wednesday, got three 3-pointers from Jon Putman to open the second half Friday against Boyne.

Brock Yenglin scored 14 points, Putman finished

with 11 and Thomas Parrish added 10 to lead Charlevoix. Also for the Rayders, Weston Bryan had seven rebounds, five steals; and Yenglin finished with six rebounds, three blocks and three steals.

"I have to give Charlevoix a lot of credit," said Boyne coach John Hertel, whose team was within one, 41-40, with just over a minute to play. "They pulled the game out; it was a dog fight."

"We did a good job of contesting their shots. The whole team took the bull by the horns and played super defense."

For Boyne, 5-10, 3-7, Tyler Urman had 13 points, seven rebounds; Trevor Krusel added 12 points, 12 rebounds; and Nick Young had 11 points.

Charlevoix won the JV game, 81-68, as Dillon Putman scored 22 points and Joe Filipiak added 16. Caleb Roberts scored 12 points, Luke Thorpe added 11 and Kolby Shumaker had 10 for Boyne.

Charlevoix won the freshman game, 70-38, as Keegan LaBlanc scored 23 points and Matt Batdorff added 10.

How they finished

BOYS

1. Boyne City	69 points
2. Petoskey	105
3. Iron Mountain	120.5
4. Harbor Springs	130
5. Houghton/Hancock	155
6. Kingsford	176
7. Ironwood	181.5
8. Charlevoix-East Jordan	228
9. Inland Lakes	345
10. Gaylord	359
11. Iron River	377

GIRLS

1. Houghton/Hancock	72.5 points
2. Petoskey	83
3. Harbor Springs	87
4. Boyne City	97.5
5. Iron Mountain	165
6. Chx-East Jordan	185
7. Inland Lakes	252
8. Ironwood	279
9. Iron River	316
10. Kingsford	340
11. Gaylord	392

BOYS SLALOM

1. Kaleb McNamara, Boyne City	1:08.309
2. Jonathon Manderville, Houghton	1:09.99
3. Mike Cortright, Boyne City	1:11.33
4. Robbie Doull, Petoskey	1:12.19
5. Jared Ishoe, Kingsford	1:12.70
6. Taylor Jayne, Iron Mountain	1:13.21
7. Connor Wilson, Ironwood	1:14.23
8. Michael Swabash, Petoskey	1:14.25
9. Jared Heino, Iron Mountain	1:14.38
10. Don Schappacher, Petoskey	1:15.51

BOYS GS

1. Drake Doherty, Harbor Springs	51.84
2. Mike Cortright, Boyne City	51.92
3. Jonathon Manderville, Houghton	52.35

4. Taylor Jayne, Iron Mountain	52.38
5. Kaleb McNamara, Boyne City	52.57
6. Robbie Doull, Petoskey	52.82
7. Jared Ische, Kingsford	52.83
8. Don Schappacher, Petoskey	53.11
9. Cody Mukavitz, Ironwood	53.80
10. Tom Hague, Boyne City	54.36

GIRLS SLALOM

1. Tom McVicker, Petoskey	1:11.57
2. Julia Zutter, Houghton	1:12.29
3. Cristina Roland, Boyne City	1:12.49
4. Mara McMurray, Petoskey	1:17.46
5. Andi Shepherd, Harbor Springs	1:17.61
6. Cooper Dendel, Harbor Springs	1:17.85
7. Emily Rossi, Houghton	

8. Houghton	1:19.33
9. Mary Gocha, Chx-East Jordan	1:19.53
10. Morgan Harding, Boyne City	1:19.93
11. Kaitlyn Bohnet, Boyne City	1:20.02

GIRLS GS

1. Andi Shepherd, Harbor Springs	52.15
2. Julia Zutter, Houghton	52.84
3. Morgan Harding, Boyne City	52.84
4. Emily Rossi, Houghton	53.03
5. Mara McMurray, Petoskey	53.31
6. Mary Gocha, Chx-East Jordan	53.52
7. Katie Zutter, Houghton	53.98
8. Kate Bull, Ironwood	54.21
9. Sarah Shafer, Petoskey	54.32
10. Cooper Dendel, Harbor Springs	54.40

Charlevoix girls win fifth straight title

Meridith Rieh scored 17 points and Tammy Potter added 12 Thursday as Charlevoix wrapped up its fifth consecutive Lake Michigan Conference girls' basketball championship with a 55-40 win over Kalkaska.

"It's a great accomplishment for the girls," Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine said. "It's a good time of year to come together; they really worked hard to get here."

The win lifted the Rayders to 14-2 overall and 11-0 in the league with three conference games remaining. Kalkaska is 12-4, 7-4 and shares second place Traverse City St. Francis, 9-8, 7-4, a 66-55 loser to Boyne City on Tuesday.

The Rayders, who also got 15 rebounds from KC McCary, took a commanding 20-5 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Megan Dunn scored 18 points and Kara Ponstein added 10 for the Blazers.

Charlevoix won the JV game, 53-22, as Meghan Peters scored 14 points and Jenna Way added 10.

Charlevoix's freshmen team defeated Elk Rapids, 39-36. Cristin Cole scored 12 points for the Rayders.

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Flu activity picking up in the area

With flu activity picking up, health officials want to remind the public to take steps to prevent getting seasonal flu and to stay home if you get sick to avoid further spread of the annual epidemic.

"We're starting to see the number of cases of flu rising steadily each week in northern Michigan," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director. "If this year is like most other years, flu activity will peak in the next couple of weeks. It's a good time to boost up your hygiene routine."

"It's hard to overestimate how important thorough hand washing is in preventing flu and colds," Meyerson said. "And anyone who is sick with the flu should stay home to avoid spreading the disease."

In addition to hand washing, U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) & Prevention recommends covering your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If a tissue is not available, cough or sneeze into your upper arm. You'll avoid spreading germs if you do not touch your eyes,

nose or mouth.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Osego counties. For additional information, visit www.cdc.gov/flu.

Whooping cough cases were preventable with immunization

Overall, Michigan saw a significant increase in reported cases of pertussis (Whooping Cough) in the second half of 2008 compared with the first half of the year.

As of the end of December, a total of 307 cases had been reported in the state, although that number is subject to change as work continues to finalize case investigations. More than twice as many cases (210) were reported July through December compared to the first half of the year.

"Most cases of pertussis are preventable with immunization," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. About six cases of pertussis are reported in the Health Department's four-county Health District each year, he said.

"The single most important thing parents can do to protect their children from vaccine-preventable illnesses like pertussis is to get their infants vaccinated and follow the schedule for booster doses as their babies grow. We may not see very many cases of Whooping Cough but it can be a very serious illness."

Pertussis is a respiratory infection caused by bacteria that spread easily among persons in close contact, such as members of the same household. The illness starts as cold-like symptoms—runny

nose, sneezing, mild cough—and at this point is indistinguishable from many other upper respiratory illnesses. A week or two later, the cough worsens, becoming a series of severe, intermittent coughing fits, which make it difficult to breathe. Children may make a strange "whoop" noise as they finally catch their breath, which is why pertussis has the nickname "Whooping Cough". The bouts of coughing may end in vomiting and often leave infected children exhausted.

"Our main concern is the number of babies who developed pertussis. They are at greatest risk of developing a severe case of pertussis, which can result in death," said Meyerson. "It is absolutely critical that infants get all of their vaccine doses on schedule to give them as much protection as possible. It's also important for family members of young babies to get a pertussis booster shot so they are protected from the illness and don't pass it on to infants."

Infants should receive four doses of pertussis vaccine by the time they are 18 months old. A routine booster dose is recommended for children before they start kindergarten.

"We also want to remind parents that booster shots that contain protection against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) can fade with

time." Pre-teens going to the doctor for their regular check-up at age 11 or 12 should get a dose of Tdap, he said. Adults who did not get a dose of Tdap as a pre-teen or teenager should get a dose, as should adults who are health care workers or who care for infants.

Infants often get pertussis in their own homes, from members of their families. The illness is most serious in babies, especially infants under six months of age whose small lungs and respiratory systems are less able to manage the assault of the bacteria on their airways.

While those diagnosed and treated with pertussis should be treated with an appropriate antibiotic, vaccination against the disease is the best way to control it.

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Charlevoix library gets recognition for quality services

The Library of Michigan awarded the Charlevoix Public Library a certificate of completion for meeting the Excellent Level requirements of the Quality Services Audit Checklist (QSAC). To earn certification, the Charlevoix Library demonstrated its ongoing work to excel in seven categories of achievement including human resources; governance; administration; services; collection development; technology; facilities and equipment; and public relations/marketing.

"We are proud that the Charlevoix Library has done such strong work to provide services deemed 'Excellent' by the Library of Michigan," said Cynthia Postmus, Library board vice-president. "The standards for this achievement are determined by professionals outside of our library and we are proud that our library staff has met the strongest commitment

to customer service."

The Charlevoix Library is in rare company as it is one of four Michigan libraries to achieve this level of service and the first of its size. The Charlevoix Library preceded this effort by first meeting requirements for essential services and then second for enhanced services.

"QSAC represents the work of more than 100 library directors, trustees and staff members who together created measures of quality for our state's public libraries," said State Librarian Nancy Robertson. "The staff of the Charlevoix Library is to be commended for achieving a vital milestone in library service."

In order to complete the certification, the Charlevoix Library had to complete a disaster and emergency preparedness plan, a records retention plan, a technology plan and meet the higher service levels as well. For example, the Charlevoix Library spends 15% of its li-

brary operating expenses on new materials each year and provides materials to home bound patrons. These are just a few added services that show the library's commitment to the community. Senator Jason Allen stated that "achieving these levels of certification is a testament to [the library's] sense of community."

QSAC was made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through LSTA funding.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services, an independent Federal grant-making agency dedicated to creating and sustaining a nation of learners by helping libraries and museums serve their communities, supports the Charlevoix public Library. Visit the library at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

For more information about the Quality Services Audit Checklist, visit <http://www.michigan.gov/qsac>.

Charlevoix State Bank announces the Retirement of Marilyne Joy

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- Joy began her banking career working part-time while going to high school out east.
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- Once in Charlevoix, Joy worked at First State Bank (which was purchased by CB Financial, then became CB North, then later Citizens)
- In 1994 she was the first employee working with the founders of Charlevoix State Bank
- Joy was certified by the Perry School of Auditing (CMA)
- She has served on the Charlevoix Area Zonta board and is still an active member
- Joy also served on a Federal Reserve Advisory board
- Positions Joy has held include teller, administrative assistant, auditor, cashier, advertising manager, and currently Vice President of Human Resources

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This review will evaluate the protectiveness of the groundwater cleanup plan which included groundwater monitoring and restrictions on groundwater use. The contaminants of concern in the groundwater are trichloroethylene and perchloroethylene.

More information is available at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St., Charlevoix, MI 49720; 231-547-2651; www.charlevoixlibrary.org

The five-year review is an opportunity for you to tell MDEQ and EPA about site conditions and any concerns you have. The public can direct any site-related questions, comments or requests for additional information to any MDEQ/EPA team member listed below.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Craig J. Thomas, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated October 18, 2004, and recorded on October 20, 2004 in Liber 844 on Page 364, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Huntington National Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One And 43/100 Dollars (\$68,951.43), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 16 feet West of the South-west corner of Lot 3, Block C of Isaman's Addition to the Village of South Arm, now City of East Jordan; thence North along the West line of the alley on the West side of Block C to the center of Union Street; thence West on a line parallel with the center of Union Street to the right of way and depot grounds of the Frederick and Charlevoix R.R.; thence as a Southeastly direction along the right of way or depot grounds of said railroad to a point West of and parallel to the South line of said Lot 3; thence East to the place of beginning; being a part of Government Lot 7, Section 23, Town 3 North, Range 7 West.

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Dated: February 18, 2009

For more information, please call FC J 248 593.1311

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 7, Shoreline Motel Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 304, Pages 519 through 561, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and amended by the First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 307, Page 874, and further amended in Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 857, Page 608, Charlevoix County Records and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 40. Together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of Public Acts of 1978 as amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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For more information, please call: FC D 248 593.1309

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MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Henry Hankins and Vicki Hankins, husband and wife of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgagor to American General Financial Services (DE), Inc. dated the 23rd day of December, A.D. 2008, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of December, A.D. 2008, in Liber 780, Page 377 of Charlevoix Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$188,357.51 (one hundred eighty-eight thousand three hundred fifty-seven and 51/100) plus accrued interest at 9.43% (nine point four three) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

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All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Norwood, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Township of Norwood, County of Charlevoix, Michigan; PARCEL G-2-A part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 18, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 18, thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 44 seconds East, along the East and West line 2,400.00 feet, thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 755.47 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 08 seconds East 379.88 feet; thence South 00 degrees 03 minutes 03 seconds West 577.01 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 08 seconds West 374.84 feet; thence North 08 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 577.00 feet to the point of beginning. Together with a 40 foot wide easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, the East line of which is more particularly described as beginning at the center of said Section 18, thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 03 seconds West 1,056.00 feet to its point of ending. Commonly known as: 17510 Ferry Road PPN 011-018-006-25

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Claude Cloutier II, A Single Person, aka Claude A. Cloutier II, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgage, dated July 14, 2006, and recorded on July 24, 2006 in Liber 757 on Page 315, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Midfirst Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Two And 45/100 Dollars (\$126,172.45), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 3 North, Range 6 West; thence North 0 Degrees 06 Minutes 14 Seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.38 feet to the center line of Deer Lake Road; thence South 54 Degrees 08 Minutes East along said Center Line 101.68 Feet; thence continuing along said center line South 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds East 188.32 Feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 08 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the Easterly line of the Earnest F. Moore property as recorded in Land Contract, Liber 229, Page 537, Charlevoix County Records, 58.67 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of Deer Lake Road; thence continuing North 08 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 line of said Section; thence North 89 Degrees 33 Minutes 37 Seconds East along said South 1/8 line 3.67 Feet to a T-iron Stake; thence South 33 Degrees 20 Minutes 43 Seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron Stake; thence South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 213.99 Feet to a T-iron Stake on the Northeastly line of said road; thence continuing South 01 Degree 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 62.59 Feet to the Center Line of said road; thence North 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said center line 373.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21.

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Dated: February 18, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Archie L. Castle Jr., an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated March 17, 2004, in Liber 603 on Page 046, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Five Hundred and 31/100 Dollars (\$95,511.31), including interest at 4.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Government Lot 3, Section 23, Town 32 North, Range 6 West, commencing 273 feet South and 33 feet West of the 1/4 post on East line of Section 23, West 157 feet, North 80 feet, East 157 feet, South 80 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Helene L. Valde, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated November 24, 2004, and recorded on December 14, 2004 in Liber 656 on Page 304, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Eighty-Four and 02/100 Dollars (\$132,984.02), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at East quarter corner of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, thence South 89 degrees 13 minutes 20 seconds West along quarter line 1327.16; thence South 3 degrees 00 minutes West 73.13 feet to a place of beginning; thence South 80 degrees 58 minutes West 816.35 feet; thence North 18 degrees 16 minutes 55 seconds West 119.2 feet; thence North 4 degrees 19 minutes 05 seconds West 448.48 feet; thence North 29 degrees 15 minutes 15 seconds East 282.70 feet; thence South 71 degrees 18 minutes 25 seconds East 217.82 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds East 263.30 feet; thence South 52 degrees 43 minutes 50 seconds East 328.28 feet; thence South 33 degrees 42 minutes 19 seconds East 235.32 feet; thence South 35 degrees 16 minutes 25 seconds East 262.02 feet to the place of beginning; being a part of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter and a part of the North half of the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 18, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christine Wold, a married woman and Michael Wold, her husband as joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated February 3, 2006, and recorded on March 28, 2003, in Liber 535 on Page 366, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Four and 29/100 Dollars (\$257,734.29), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 2 and 3, Block C, North Morgan's Addition to the Village of South Boyne (now City of Boyne City), according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 8, Charlevoix County Records.

Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 36; thence South 85 degrees 54 minutes 10 seconds West, 1043.46 feet along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 36; thence North 01 degrees 35 minutes 35 seconds East 491.33 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel being described; thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes 28 seconds West 353.75 feet to the East 1/8 line (as monumented) of said Section 36; thence North 01 degrees 35 minutes 35 seconds East 369.42 feet along said 1/8 line; thence South 88 degrees 22 minutes 28 seconds East 353.75 feet; thence South 01 degrees 35 minutes 35 seconds West 369.42 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 18, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel R. Glenn and Ulaa R. Glenn, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2006, and recorded on June 27, 2006 in

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Hasma and Holly Hasma, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated February 3, 2006, and recorded on February 18, 2006 in Liber 731 on Page 449, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Huntington National Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Sixty-Five and 37/100 Dollars (\$123,065.37), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 2 and 3, Block C, North Morgan's Addition to the Village of South Boyne (now City of Boyne City), according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 8, Charlevoix County Records.

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Dated: February 4, 2009

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Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1, Lot 89 Springbrook Hills No. 1, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 197, Charlevoix County Records.

Parcel 2: Part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 13, thence along the East line of said Section 13 as platted, North 13.37 degrees 13 minutes 1/8 line of said Section 13, thence along said South 1/8 line as platted, South 89 degrees 30 minutes 10 seconds West 1483.67 feet to a point measured 50.00 foot perpendicular to the centerline of Springvale Road, thence the following courses and distances 50 foot perpendicular to and parallel with the center line of Springvale Road as platted, thence along the arc of a 261.58 foot radius curve to the left 49.70 feet (the long chord of which bears North 89 degrees 09 minutes 05 seconds West 49.63 feet, platted as North 88 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds West) thence North 74 degrees 33 minutes 11 seconds West 118.91 feet to a concrete monument; thence North 74 degrees 33 minutes 29 seconds West 180.28 feet (platted as North 74 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds West 180.00 feet) to a 1/2 inch pipe, thence North 74 degrees 35 minutes 19 seconds West 17.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Lot 89 of Springbrook Hills No. 1, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 197, Charlevoix County Records.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 17, Wm. H. White and Co. addition to the Village of Boyne according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, Charlevoix County Records.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna J. Schroeder, trustee of the Donna J. Schroeder Trust under trust agreement dated November 20, 2003; and Donna J. Schroeder individually, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated June 29, 2007, and recorded on July 1, 2007 in Liber 810 on Page 1, Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Nine and 05/100 Dollars (\$148,379.05), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

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Can't make it to New Orleans? Attend the local Mardi Gras Masquerade

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Beads, masks, cocktails and music and more are slated for St. Mary Church's fundraiser Mardi Gras Masquerade at the castle this Saturday.

Beginning at 7 p.m., and expected to last until 11 p.m., on Feb. 21 at Castle Farms, Mardi Gras Masquerade will offer

attendees a costume contest, raffles, live entertainment and more for \$30 per person.

"Consensus was that people needed a fun evening out to beat those winter blues," said St. Mary School Principal Keisha Vervser. "What better way than to celebrate Mardi Gras? If we can't go to New Orleans, we'll bring a little here to Charlevoix."

She added, "Anyone 21 and over will enjoy this event. Grey Gables is making some great appetizers, there is a cash bar, and great live music. To add a little fun to the evening there will be a costume contest as well as a mystery raffle. Guests can purchase raffle tickets and then try to win one of 13 mystery prizes with their raffle ticket. Prizes

will all be wrapped so no one will know what they are trying to win. Some prizes will be worth \$200."

Tickets can be purchased at the castle, Charlevoix ScreenMasters and St. Mary School.

Beads and masks can be purchased for \$1 and \$5, respectively, at these locations as well as at the door, but

quantities are limited.

"We chose to host this party off campus—yes, the school is sponsoring it—but we're wanting it to be a community event," Vervser said. "The Castle seemed like the perfect location. Since this is the first year our goal is to break even and have fun. However, if any money is raised it will go into the general fund. Our

primary fundraiser, Northern Lights, which will be held June 26 at the Castle gets specific on what money is raised for."

She added, "What else is there to do in the middle of the winter? Why not celebrate the start of Lent with a fun night out?"

Call 547-5111 for more information.

Road Trip Steering committee to prioritize county roads on bus trip next week

NOAH FOWLE
NEWS-REVIEW

The county road commission's steering committee may be split over whether or not bonding is part of the solution to funding the county's road work, but it is in agreement that a prioritized list of which roads are in the worst shape must be set.

During Tuesday's meeting at the Charlevoix County Road Commission offices, in between arguments over bonding, the steering committee agreed to go on a collective bus tour of the county's worst roads next week. The hope is the trip will give the committee a set plan on where to start the road work, regardless of where the money comes from first.

Currently, money will not be collected on the voter approved millage until the winter tax role, and Charlevoix County is slated only about \$300,000 from the federal stimulus plan.

"The people on the commission are spread out around the county, and we're trying to figure out a fair balanced way to assess the priority of these roads," said Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners chairman Chris Christensen. "The road trip is one way to do it. As painstaking as it seems, we're moving in the right direction."

John Vrontan, of Boyne City, is opposed to bonding and said he is not sure which roads must be done first. "Bonding removes a lot of the money that's needed for the roads," he said. "I'm not sure which roads need to be done first, because I haven't been to all of them."

Ken Allen, of Boyne City,



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Discussing the state of the state

During Tuesday night's State of the State address by Gov. Jennifer Granholm, Rep. Kevin Elsenheimer, right, was joined by, from left, Jeff Kessler of the Antrim County News; Dave White, East Jordan city manager; and Mark Postma, East Jordan mayor. Each representative and senator is allowed to invite one person to the House floor who sits with the lawmaker while the speech is delivered. Kessler sat with Elsenheimer, while White and Postma had special seating in the House chamber balcony.

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SYNOPSIS FEBRUARY 12, 2009

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Commissioner Tripp was absent.

Motion approved the minutes of the January 26, 2009 minutes as corrected.

Motion approved the hiring of Nelson Fletcher full-time in the Building Department until March 27th at which time a review will take place regarding this position and one other to see if either position or both positions need to be reduced to part-time.

Motion approved Resolution #09-015, Approve County Expenditures for January.

Motion approved Resolution #09-016, Public Hearing Notice.

Motion adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Amanda Perry Donalds: Nov. 18, 1925 - Feb. 8, 2009

Amanda Perry Donalds, 83, passed away peacefully in her home at Cypress Village, Jacksonville, FL, on Feb. 8, 2009. She was born Nov. 18, 1925 in Columbus, Ohio to Dr. C.L. Perry and Bethana T. Perry. Amanda attended St. Catherine's School in Richmond, Va., as a boarder until 1943. Her freshman and sophomore years were at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass. Amanda transferred to the University of Wisconsin her junior year. There she met John E. Donalds, her future husband.



Donalds

In 1948, they lived in Boston where John attended Harvard Business School.

In 1950, John accepted a position in at Dow Chemical Company in Midland where they lived, between transfers until 1985. At which time they moved to Concord, Mass. until 1994 where John and Amanda moved to Florida for the win-

ters and spent their summers in Charlevoix.

Amanda was a homemaker, an avid reader, a championship golfer, a needle pointer and an inquiring cook. She was a past member of the Junior League.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, John E. Donalds II; daughter, Katherine (Kate) Stone; son, John (Jack) Donalds III and her sister, Linda Cheek. She is preceded in death by her daughters, Linda Voll and Elizabeth Donalds.

A Memorial Service was held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 13 in Christ Church San Pablo, 2002 San Pablo Road.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Mayo Clinic for Cancer Research, 4500 San Pablo Road, Jacksonville, FL 32224.

Please visit our online Tribute at www.quinn-shalz.com. Services under the care and direction of Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home, Jacksonville Beach, FL.

Sunday Series of Chamber Music Recitals

At 4 p.m., Feb. 22, at the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix, the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra presents another in its Sunday Series of Chamber Music Recitals. Songs by the English composers Arnold Cooke and Benjamin Britten, and George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" will featured on the program. The songs of Cooke and Britten will be performed by Laurence Smith, tenor, Julie Schieff, horn, and Steve Larson. Larson is presently on the faculty at the Interlochen Arts Academy where he serves as accompanist. Laurence Smith teaches at IAA and is presently the organist for the St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Beulah, Michigan. Julie Schieff teaches privately in Interlochen and serves as principal horn in the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra. Michelle Mitchum and Robin McCarty will perform the Duo-piano version of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue." Robin and Michelle first collaborated in 1998 when they performed Gershwin's Preludes for one piano, four hands. Their repertoire includes Dvorak Slavic Dances, Debussy's Petite Suite and Rossini's William Tell Overture. Robin McCarty is a graduate of New York's Houghton College School of Music. Since 1982 she has had the opportunity to perform throughout the area in venues such as The Cheboygan Opera House, Crooked Tree Art Center and The Grand Hotel. Robin has had the privilege of teaching piano to hundreds of students and currently maintains her studio in Harbor Springs.

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Quiz Bowl team from Charlevoix

Petoskey High School coach Bruce Koch (from left) congratulates his team members, Kate Johnson, Dick Dinon, Rachel Shappacher and Katharine Rapin on taking the overall top spot in the competitive Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl.

Petoskey and Charlevoix take top honors in Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl League.

Students from Petoskey and Charlevoix came out on top as 14 teams from seven different schools went head-to-head in the third of five invitational

dates in the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Quiz Bowl League. The competitive event took place Friday, Jan. 31, at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

Petoskey took the overall top spot and Charlevoix won the Class C-D division championship.

Quiz bowl is an academic competition in which four member teams use buzzer systems in a Jeopardy-like contest. More than 80 students took part.

The 14 teams played seven round-robin games to deter-

mine final placement in the championship round. Petoskey A and Petoskey C teams, with identical 6-1 records, faced off for the grand championship title. Charlevoix (6-1), played Petoskey B (5-2). Seedings for the final round were determined by won-loss record with total score serving as the tie breaker.

In the finals, Petoskey A defeated the Petoskey C team 210 to 155 to take grand champion honors. Charlevoix A lost to Petoskey B 115-170 in the consolation final round. Charlevoix A took the Class

C-D division championship with an overall 6-2 record. Beaver Island's team was the highest placing Class D school, defeating Northwest Academy A 165-100 in the final round to place fifth overall with a 5-3 record.

Final standings, overall won-loss records and final scores for the 14 teams are as follows:

1st Petoskey A 7-1, 1395
2nd Petoskey C 6-2, 995
3rd Petoskey B 6-2, 1060

4th Charlevoix A 6-2, 980
5th Beaver Island 5-3, 900
6th Northwest Academy A 5-3, 800

7th Charlevoix B 5-3, 890
8th East Jordan A 4-4, 815
9th Charlevoix C 3-5, 870
10th East Jordan B 2-6, 840

11th Boyne City B 3-5, 745
12th Boyne City A 2-6, 755

13th Northwest Academy C 2-6, 590

14th Northwest Academy B 0-8, 575

League schools not in attendance because of school conflicts were Concord Academy Petoskey and Ellsworth.

Petoskey is coached by Bruce Koch, and Charlevoix by Pete Scholten. The next league tournament is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 20. Area schools interested in joining this free, fun academic league for high school students are encouraged to contact Barry Cole, Char-Em ISD quiz bowl coordinator, at 347-0656.



COURTESY PHOTO

Charlevoix High School team members, winners of the Class C-D division championship in the Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl, are (from left) Jennie Withers, Collin McDonough, Tanner Fisher, Colton Leese, Weston Bryan and Verónica Shull.

Captain Margo Marks elected to PVA Board

The members of the Passenger Vessel Association (PVA) elected new officers and board members during its recent PVA Annual Convention at Marriott's in San Francisco, CA, including Michigan resident Captain Margo Marks of Beaver Island Boat Company of Charlevoix.

Captain Marks is President and General Manager of Beaver Island Boat Company, the only ferry service to the remote Beaver Island in Lake Michigan, consisting of two vessels providing passenger, vehicle, and freight service along a 32 mile route.

She is a graduate of the Great Lakes Maritime Academy and holds a First Class Pilot license and a Mates license of any gross tonnage and 100 ton Master license on the

Great Lakes and Inland Waters on its 5th issue.

She has been with the Beaver Island Boat Company for eight years and was formerly a municipal harbormaster.

Captain Marks has been active on the PVA's regulatory committee and was recently appointed Chair of that committee.

She is a member of the Great Lakes Captain's Association, Woman's Maritime Association, and the West Michigan Area Maritime Security and Safety Committee.

Captain Marks is also a member of the Great Lakes Captains Association Member and Woman's Maritime Association, as well as serves on the Inland Seas Association and West Michigan Area Maritime security and safety

committees.

About the Passenger Vessel Association

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PREP BASKETBALL ROUNDUP:

Rayders win in OT; Ellsworth, Inland Lakes remain unbeaten

GRAYLING — It wasn't pretty, but the Charlevoix High School boys' basketball team will take it.

The Rayders outscored Grayling, 15-4, in overtime to escape with a hard-fought 73-62 victory Friday, Feb. 6 and keep their Lake Michigan Conference record perfect at 8-0.

"We were very fortunate to win tonight," said Charlevoix coach Keith Haske, whose

team is 12-1 overall and ranked fifth in the Associated Press Class C state poll. "We were lucky to come away with this one. Grayling outthrustled us, outplayed us and you have to credit them. We didn't execute well offensively."

Weston Bryan had 18 points and seven steals to lead the Rayders, while Justin Friske had 15 points, 13 rebounds; Brock Yinglin added 12 points; and Thomas Parrish finished with 10 points and six steals.

Grayling, 5-6 overall, 3-5 league, had a chance to win the game in regulation with 2.7 seconds remaining, but missed

a free throw to send the game to overtime at 58-58.

"We started being more aggressive and made better decisions in overtime," Haske said. "We ended up with 30 turnovers."

For Grayling, Tyler Stuckey had 21 points, while Trent Larm added 16.

GIRLS LAAKE MICHIGAN Charlevoix 64, Grayling 19

GRAYLING — League leading Charlevoix rode a solid team effort Friday in remaining unbeaten in the Lake Michigan Conference.

"We just played a great defensive game," said Charlevoix

coach Bret Erskine, whose troops limited Grayling to just six second-half points in improving to 12-2 overall, 9-0 league. "It was a great game for our girls and everybody scored at least four points for us."

Sarah Potter and Shauna Spenceley scored nine points to lead the Rayders, while KC McCary had eight points and five rebounds, and Tammy Potter finished with seven points. Sarah Potter also grabbed 12 rebounds.

Grayling is 3-12, 2-7.

WRESTLING
Results of a middle school ski meet Tuesday, Feb. 10 at Nub's Noh

Seventh-eighth grade: Girls, 1-Harbor Springs, 2-Petoskey, 3-(tie) Charlevoix, East Jordan; 1-Abby Hackman, Harbor, 2-Dana Reynolds, Petoskey, 3-Rose Pellegrom, Harbor Boys, 1-Petoskey, 2-Harbor Springs, 3-(tie) Charlevoix, East Jordan, 1-Brian Erhart, Petoskey, 2-Gunner Lundteigen, Charlevoix, 3-Quinn Harris, Petoskey.

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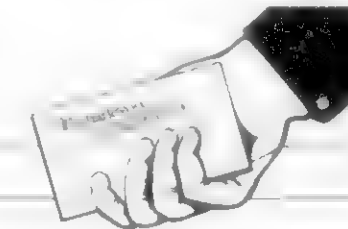
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Results of an earlier middle school ski meet at Nub's Noh: Seventh-eighth grade: Girls, 1-Traverse City East, 2-Harbor Springs, 3-Petoskey, 4-T.C. West, 5-Boyer City, 1-Abby Hackman, Harbor, 2-Mia Ciccorotti, Petoskey, Boys, 1-Petoskey, 2-T.C. East, 3-T.C. West, 4-Harbor Springs, 5-Boyer City, 1-Brian Erhart, Petoskey, 2-Ben Loomis, Petoskey, 3-Quinn Harris, Petoskey.

Sixth grade: Girls, 1-Harbor Springs, 2-(tie) T.C. West, Petoskey, 4-T.C. East, Boys, 1-Harbor Springs, 2-(tie) Petoskey, T.C. East, 3-John Bailey, Harbor.

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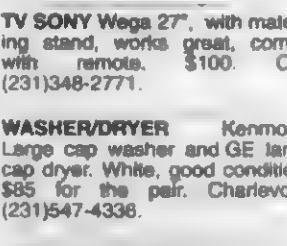
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the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Robert J. Pelon and Marcia E. Pelon, husband and wife, to Charlevoix State Bank, dated July 6, 2005, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on July 19, 2005, in Liber 863, Page(s) 335, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$56,812.45, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Robert J. Pelon and Marcia E. Pelon, husband and wife to Charlevoix State Bank, together with interest at 7.5 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on February 27, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to wit:

Property located in the Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, State of Michigan, described as:

Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of Section 19, Township 34 North, Range 7 West, thence North 78 Degrees 08' 23" East along the North line of said Section 328.93 feet to the point of beginning, thence North 78 Degrees 08' 23" East along said Section line 440.89 feet, thence South 01 Degree 16' 51" East 1350.09 feet, thence South 1 Degree 00' 29" West 855.18 feet to the center line of the Boyne City Road, thence on a curve to the right along said center line 164.62 feet (radius is 2,814.70 feet, long chord bears North 78 Degrees 31' 15" West 164.60 feet, thence North 74 Degrees 50' 43" West along said center line 170.52 feet, thence North 0 Degrees 50' 46" West 778.48 feet, thence on a curve to the right 190.40 feet (radius is 210.00 feet, long chord bears North 27 Degrees 15' 20" West 183.95 feet), thence North 01 Degree 16' 51" West 31.41 feet, thence South 30 Degrees 30' West 126.55 feet, thence North 14 Degrees 48' 49" West 58.41 feet, thence North 0 Degrees 11' 31" West 36.16 feet, thence North 81 Degrees 11' 00" East 49.01 feet, thence North 0 Degrees 27' 56" West 332.45 feet, thence North 80 Degrees 53' 31" East 79.16 feet, thence North 01 Degree 24' 31" West 631.90 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19, Township 34 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a. In which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

Dated: January 19, 2009

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be receded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott A. Louselle, a married man and Cynthia Marie Louselle, his wife, original mortgagee(s), to IndyMac Bank F.S.B., Mortgagee, dated December 29, 2006, and recorded on March 14, 2007 in Liber 795 on Page 6, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy and 00/100 Dollars (\$248,170.00), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 5, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Norwood, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 33 North, Range 9 West, described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section, thence South 89 Degrees East along the North line of said Section 35, 1364.11 feet to the West 1/8 line, thence South 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds East along said 1/8 line 535.78 feet to the Point of Beginning, said point of beginning being on the corner line of Norwood Road thence continuing South 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds East along said corner line 125 feet thence North 89 Degrees 36 Minutes 35 Seconds West 240 feet, thence North 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 14 Seconds West 125 feet to the South line of Norwood Cemetery thence South 89 Degrees 36 Minutes 25 Seconds East along said South line 240 feet to Point of Beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 11, 2009

For more information, please call: FC D 248 583.1312
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SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ROBERT P. TIBALDI and KATHLEEN A. TIBALDI, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 1, 2005, and recorded on August 18, 2005, in Liber 688, on Page 865, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents (\$530,104.25), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 5, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: AN UNDIVIDED 1/7 INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING: COMMENCING AT THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2846.59 FEET TO THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 34; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 00 MINUTES EAST 707.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 58.85 FEET TO THE EDGE OF A PRIVATE ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 01 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE PRIVATE ROAD 226.71 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID PRIVATE ROAD SOUTH 78 DEGREES 05 MINUTES EAST 124.89 FEET; THENCE NORTH 52 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST 201.29 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE ON THE SHORE OF WALLOON LAKE; THENCE NORTH 38 DEGREES 27 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE LAKE SHORE 304.44 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE; THENCE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 149.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 34, INCLUDING ALL LAND LYING BETWEEN THE SHORE LINE AND THE WATER'S EDGE OF WALLOON LAKE.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vanchin Hwang and Myker Vang, husband and wife, original mortgagee(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 9, 2005, and recorded on August 9, 2005 in Liber 687 on Page 502, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, 2005-8 as assignee, on which mortgage there

is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Four And 63/100 Dollars (\$167,974.63), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 5, 2009.

Said premises are located in Township of Menon, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5, Flanders Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, Part of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 33 North, Range 8 West.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by THEODORE M. GREEN, AN UNMARRIED MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2005, and recorded on July 25, 2005, in Liber 694, on Page 322, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand One Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Sixty-Seven Cents (\$78,191.67), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on March 5, 2009.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
DECEDENT'S TRUST

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The Settlor, Leigh H. Post, date of birth 06/18/1912, who lived at 1018 Manna Bluff Drive, Charlevoix, Michigan died February 4, 2008. There is no personal representative of the Settlor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the LEIGH H. POST TRUST dated November 9, 1990, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to Max H. Post, Successor Co-Trustee, at 4045 Four Lakes Avenue, Linden, MI 48451 within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: February 18, 2009

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Max H. Post, Successor
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(L-02/18)

NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING

Zoning Board of Appeals
Charlevoix City Hall - Council
Chambers 2nd Floor, 6PM
210 State Street
Charlevoix, MI 49720

CASE NUMBER: 09-01 ZBA
APPLICANT: Charlevoix Alano Club

The City of Charlevoix Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 11th, 2009 at 6PM in the Charlevoix City Hall Council Chambers to evaluate a variance application from the Charlevoix Alano Club. The applicant is requesting a variance from the minimum number of off street parking spaces requirement defined in Article VI, Off-Street Parking and Loading Space Requirements Section 5.214(7) of the Zoning Ordinance. The applicant demolished the previous building due to structural problems in the summer of 2008. The applicant wishes to construct a new 36' x 28' building addition to an existing building on the rear portion of the property that was previously used for storage. The Alano Club had 2 parking spaces prior to demolition and the applicant wishes to provide one handicapped accessible space for future use.

The Zoning Board of Appeals is the final decision making body for this project, not the Charlevoix City Council. The Board of Appeals may approve, approve with reasonable conditions, or deny the application based on specific findings of fact that the application does not meet the variance standards. (See Article XI, Section 5.288(3)(4)(5)(6) and (7))

The property is zoned Commercial (C1) and is located at 106 Mason Street. The Tax ID number is 052-348-005-00

Written and oral comments from the public are welcome. Written comments can be mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to the City Planner at the above address. The case file and plans may be viewed at the City Planning Office on the second floor of City Hall.

Mike Spencer, City Planner
(L-02/18)

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COMPLAINT

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said, "I was terrified and shaking—I've never even gotten so much as a ticket in my life, and that's why I was confused."

When the officer, whose name has been withheld pending filing of a complaint, returned to Warner's car after running her ID and registration, Warner said his demeanor had changed.

"About 20 minutes later he came back and he apologized—not because he pulled a weapon on me; he was very careful to say that he was not apologizing for pulling his weapon—because he realized what I was doing was getting him off the road," she said. "I asked him if he felt threatened and he said he thought he saw me banging on my steering wheel, but I think he was just trying to justify what he had done."

Warner, who said she knows now that she did the wrong thing by driving after the initial stop, added, "He had no business to pull a weapon. His life was not threatened in any way."

Warner said the experience has made her wary of the police.

"I'm scared to death now. Just driving to the grocery store yesterday my heart started pounding thinking of what happened," she said. "I cannot even believe it happened. I'm probably the least threatening person you'll ever meet."

Warner added, "I just keep thinking about what if I had my kids in the car."

Warner was cited for speeding and given a warning for driving farther after her initial stop.

Warner had not filed a complaint by press time.

To help ensure the safety of both citizens and police officers, Doan suggests remembering a short list of things officers expect

"I WAS TERRIFIED AND SHAKING—I'VE NEVER EVEN GOTTEN SO MUCH AS A TICKET IN MY LIFE, AND THAT'S WHY I WAS CONFUSED."

— Elena Warner

during a traffic stop:

- Pull over immediately when you see lights and hear sirens
- Remain in your vehicle unless the officer directs you otherwise
- Turn on your interior light if stopped at night
- Keep your hands where they can be observed by the officer—preferably on the steering wheel
- Avoid sudden movements when reaching for license and registration
- Avoid reaching in glove boxes and pockets until you have been asked for your license and proof of insurance
- Remain calm and avoid being argumentative
- Comply first, then you may seek an explanation from the officer or the officer's supervisor later

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Application deadline approaches for
USDA Rural development grants

Agriculture Acting Under Secretary for Rural Development Douglas L. Faulkner announced recently that USDA is accepting applications for \$45.8 million in loans and grants to support rural communities and spur economic development through the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program.

"Creating and preserving jobs in rural America by helping businesses thrive is a fundamental part of USDA Rural Development's mission," Faulkner said. "These funds are intended to stimulate business expansion and promote entrepreneurship by helping local businesses get access to capital, technical assistance and new markets for their products and services."

The Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program provides no-interest loans to Rural Development utility program borrowers, which in turn re-lend the money to local

entities to promote economic development and job creation. Applications must be received by March 31 for 3rd quarter funding and June 30 for 4th quarter funding. For further details about eligibility rules and application procedures, see the December 29, 2008, Federal Register, page 79438.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural residents. Rural Development has invested nearly \$111 billion since 2001 for equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. More than 2 million jobs have been created or saved through these investments. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at www.rurdev.usda.gov.

February 2009

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I want to take this opportunity to personally invite you to attend one of the "State of the School" forums that I will be hosting on Thursday, February 26 or Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30 pm in the Middle School Large Group Room. I will be providing updates primarily on the following four topics:

- The quality of the academic programs
- The impact of 2008 bond projects
- The May 5 non-homestead tax renewal request
- The 2009-10 budget challenges

I can assure you that the Board of Education, principals, teachers, all support staff members and I are united in the fact that the top priority of the Charlevoix Public School District is to "Maintain High Academic Standards At All Levels."

Just as with virtually all school districts in the state and this region, we are facing challenging financial issues for the upcoming school year due to decreasing enrollment and the condition of the Michigan economy. This budget challenge is simply too critical to be dealt with independently by the Board of Education, the principals and/or I and therefore I will be asking for your assistance in the process this year. I am forming a parental and community advisory committee to review the financial projections, suggest and explore all options that would allow the school district to maintain its high academic standards and to keep the budget cuts removed from the classroom while maintaining our fiscal responsibilities. Please consider attending one of the forums and volunteering for the budget advisory committee.

As always, please feel free to contact me directly if you have any comments or questions about the upcoming forums or any other issues regarding Charlevoix Public Schools.

Go Rayders!!!

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bolts show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renowned Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarczyk and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

FOOD PANTRIES

• The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

• Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

• The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M 66 one half mile south of Kmart.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal as sediment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions

are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule:
• Feb. 17 - 2009 Policy Priorities
• March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers
• March 12 - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mhines@cah.org.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Blue Velvet on Feb. 19, A Simple Plan on March 5, Lo Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion

Economic meltdown, Bernie Madoff, off-shoring, sub-prime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college? Are you interested in learning more about economics — what the words mean, basic

concepts, pointers on personal finance?

The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.
February 22 - "Supply and Demand" and "Price Floors and Ceilings"
March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages"

March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

FEB. 21

Fish-off and free fish fry

The 2nd Annual Flight Deck Fish-Off begins at 8 a.m., Feb. 21 on the ice. All fish caught will be used for a free fish fry dinner later that day. The event is free, but donations will be accepted for Mt. McSaub. Call 547-2848.

Mardi Gras Masquerade

From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Feb. 21, St. Mary School is hosting a fundraiser at Castle Farms with a costume contest, cash bar, mystery raffle, live entertainment and more. Tickets, which cost \$30 per person are available at the Charlevoix Screenmasters and Castle Farms. Call 547-5111 for more information.

Fall in love with genealogy

At 1 p.m. on Feb. 21, the Charlevoix County Genealogical Society (CCGS) will sponsor a program titled, "Fall-

ing in Love with Genealogy."

Aimed at assisting researchers in recognizing the value of vital records, those attending are encouraged to bring in those trouble spots that are holding them back in their pursuit of solving the mysteries of their family heritage. Event is at the Boyne District Library, 201 East Main St., Boyne City. All are invited. Refreshments provided by attendees. Call (231) 348-8255 or visit

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mcharle/ccgs/

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• Beginning Rug Hooking - 9:30 to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 21 - \$45
• Healing H'Arts - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Feb. 14 for opening reception; drop off your work between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Feb. 9 or 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 10. Exhibit lasts until March 31. Cost is \$5.
• Life Drawing Open Studio - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 21, March 21, April 18 and May 16 - cost is \$12 for members; \$10 for others.
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FEB. 22

Buddhism

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FEB. 23, MARCH 5

Little League

The Charlevoix Little League will be having registration for boys and girls, ages 7 to 14 for the upcoming season. Your child must be 7 before April 30, 2009, to be eligible for Little League due to new age requirements adopted by Little League International prior to the 2006 season. Registration is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Charlevoix Middle School cafeteria on Feb. 23, March 3 and March 5. \$45.00 per child. Family discounts available. Registration cutoff is April 1. \$15 late fee for late registrants. Kids new to the program must have a copy of birth certificate. Call Todd

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FEB. 26
Scrapbooking for all
From 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Public Library, scrapbookers new and experienced are invited to join. Visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CharEm_Scrapbookers for more information.

March 8 application deadline for Great Lakes concerto competition

The Charles F. Davis Concerto Competition, available to students of piano, winds, brass, percussion and strings, between the ages of 14 and 19, residing in northern Michigan and attending schools located between the 45th Parallel and the Straits of Mackinac, is May 16 at the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix. Call 487-0010 for an application. Cost is \$15. Deadline is 5 p.m., March 5. Mail applications to Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra office, 438 East Lake St., Petoskey. Cash prizes will be awarded.

7th Annual Young Writers Juried Exposition

Crooked Tree Arts Center and the Petoskey News-Review are collaborating on the 7th Annual Young Writers Juried Exposition.

This year's Writers Expo is part of Crooked Tree's month long celebration of youth art. On each of four Saturdays local youths' involvement in the arts will be highlighted through events, performances and workshops.

The Youth Art's Festival begins April 18 with the Youth Art Exhibition opening, a dance performance, and strings concert. The following Saturday, April 25, also features a strings orchestra concert in Charlevoix with youth orchestras from around the region. The third Saturday, May 2, Crooked Tree will feature youth writing by hosting the Young Writers Expo awards reception. The final Saturday, May 9, youth theater arts will be highlighted.

Young writers in the Charlevoix-Emmet ISD or home school students in Charlevoix or Emmet Counties may submit one work of poetry or prose or one of both.

The invitation is out to all area teachers to involve their students in the program. Parents and teachers are invited to submit young writers' work on-line through Crooked Tree's web site beginning March 13 through April 10. For writing requirements and more program

details see Crooked Tree's web site www.crookedtree.org.

Winning poetry and prose pieces for each level, elementary, middle and high school, will be published in the Petoskey News-Review on Friday, May 1.

The following day, May 2, the Youth Writing Expo awards will be presented.

At the awards reception, the winning young authors will have an opportunity to read their work publicly.

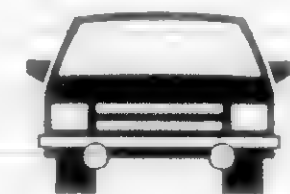
Boys City Culinary Arts students will be created and serve refreshments at the reception. "One of the best things about the program is that the community has the opportunity to share in what our children and teenagers can do when they put pen to paper." The winning works are published in the Petoskey News-Review paper so all can read them and we invite the public to the awards reception where students can read their works. We also involve community volunteers who act as jurors for the event," said Marty Samson, Crooked Tree's coordinator for the program.

This event is sponsored, in part, by the J.P. Morgan Chase Foundation. If you have questions about the Young Writers Juried Exposition or the Youth Arts Festival, visit www.crookedtree.org or contact Marty Samson at Crooked Tree Arts Center at 347-5731 or email marty@crookedtree.org.

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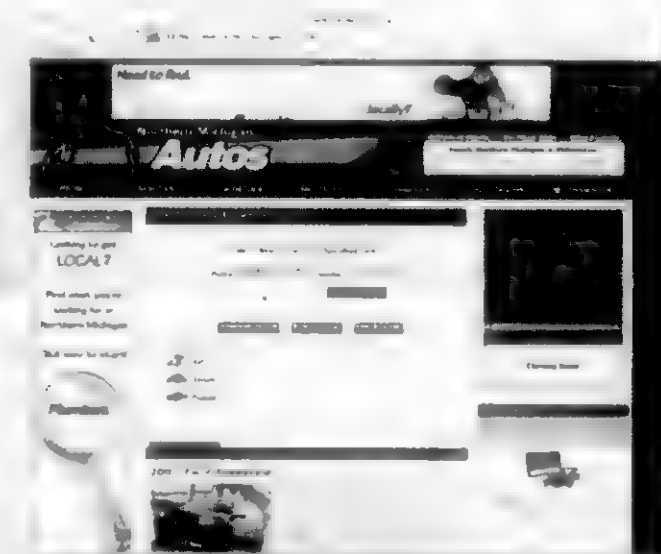
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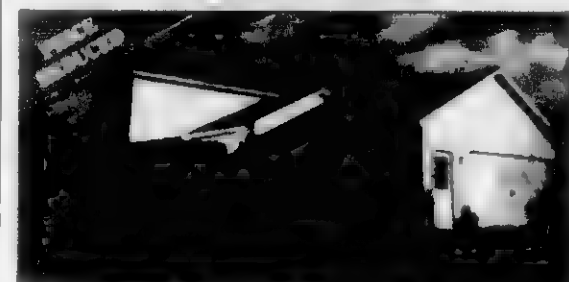
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Who killed Mr. Boddy?

Charlevoix High School presents "Clue: The Musical"

MAGGIE PETERSON
THE GRAPHIC

Not even the actors in "Clue: The Musical" know who killed Mr. Boddy.

This stage production of the classic board game is presented by Charlevoix High School performing arts Friday through Sunday, Feb. 27-March 1.

"At the beginning of every show, the audience members choose the weapon, room and murderer ... The ending changes based on that," explained performing arts teacher and show director Danielle Wager.

Hints of the end result are given throughout the play, which follows the interactions and actions of the main players. Mr. Boddy, Miss Scarlet, Mrs. White, Mrs. Peacock, Mr.

Green, Professor Plum, Col. Mustard and the detective.

The students in the performing arts class chose the production. Stephen Beck, who plays Col. Mustard, said it's a bit nostalgic performing the play.

"I used to play 'Clue' with my family and friends, and watched the movie," he noted. This is the first play for the senior, who said he was asked to come in because they need ed more males.

"It's a wonderful environment to come into because everybody's so dedicated to this (art)," Stephen added.

He noted that he's excited to be taking the stage as the colonel, an old military type who

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PHOTO BY MAGGIE PETERSON/NEWS-REVIEW

Professor Plum, played by senior Mac Ernst, and Mrs. White, played by senior Jennie Withers, discuss their displeasure with Mr. Boddy and his actions during "Clue: The Musical." The play is Friday through Sunday, Feb. 27-March 1, at Charlevoix High School.

Four vie for school board

Incumbents seek to defend seats

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix Public School Board of Education members Dean Spenceley and Christine Michaud will be defending their seats against newcomers Kevin Pearsall and his cousin Michael Pearsall.

This week the Courier will

feature former school employee Michael Pearsall, who said he is running to ensure the building and grounds are properly cared for.

"I'm retired now and I will have the time to devote to something like this," he said. "I feel it's going to be needed—by the sounds of the

budgeting—somebody who will do the right thing for the community."

While Pearsall has no political experience, he did spend 32 years working for Charlevoix Public Schools as the maintenance supervisor.

"We put a lot of money into these buildings and I'd like to

make sure they're taken care of," he said. "I realize the economic times are not very good and I want to stay involved with the schools and help where I can."

Pearsall added, "I have past knowledge that would be an

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BIRTHS

Miranda Rose Downs weighing 6 pounds, 6 ounces was born Feb. 19 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to William and Amanda Downs of East Jordan. Her siblings are Will and Shayla. Her grandparents are Della and Lance Green of Central Lake, and Kevin Downs of Lewiston. Her great-grandparents are Barb and Roser Stark of Sears, Roebuck and Lord, and Bill and Keitha Downs of Lansing.

Wrigley Ryan Cash O'Neal weighing 5 pounds, 13 ounces was born Feb. 20 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Joshua and Amber O'Neal from Boyne Falls. His grandparents are Joe and Valerie O'Neal of Magee, MS, Sheila Blackledge of Boyne Falls and Gary Warner of East Jordan.

Alexander Michael Story weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces was born Feb. 17 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jill Loper and Brandon Story of Charlevoix. His grandparents are Brenda and Ted Peckling of Florida, Greg Loper, Jennifer Clubb and Donald Story, all of Charlevoix. His great-grandparents are Jean Loper of Charlevoix and Judith Lentz of Alanson.

Noah Thomas Umali weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce was born Feb. 15 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Matthew and Tanya Umali of Charlevoix. His grandparents are Richard and Donna Wyniauskij of Charlevoix, Ralph and Sheryl Umali of Interlochen. His great-grandparents are Richard and Evelyn Huszner of Long Neck Del., Natalie Wyniauskij of Terre Hill, Penn., and Wilma Pen-

fold of Ellsworth.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan.

Nasser Sobh, 27, Pleasant Ridge. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Paul Earl Shafer, 21, East Jordan. Sex offender-failure to comply with reporting requirements. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 58 days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Steve A. Martin, 55, Charlevoix. Wildlife - interfering with another hunt; wildlife - conservation, general violations; attempted resisting/assaulting/obstructing a police officer. Pay \$1,200 or serve eight days in jail.

Kevin James Cooper, 45, East Jordan. False report of a misdemeanor. To serve six months on probation; 90 days held in abeyance; \$750 in fines and costs.

Michael Robert Martin, 54, Sparata. Operating while intoxicated. To serve 10 days in jail; 68 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend Impact weekend within 90 days; \$1,200 in fines and costs.

Matthew Bare Ingalls, 29, Petoskey. Impaired driving; no operator license on person. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend Impact weekend within 90 days; \$1,200 in fines and costs.

Joshua Stephen McLaren, 24, East Jordan. Delivery without remuneration. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; 339 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$875 in fines and costs.

Ronald Leeland Sharrow, 43, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,030 in fines and costs.

Samuel Evan Beghein Kantola, 19, Charlevoix. Disturbing the peace. Pay \$500 in fines and costs.

Scott Reid Kehr, 36, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$250 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Linda Ann LaGrew, 54, Petoskey. Funds insufficient for check written. Pay \$339 or serve 10 days in jail.

James R. Glass, 48, Traverse City. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow; motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$300 in fines and costs; credit for six days in jail.

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Big Grin 2 snowboard comp' at McSaub

MAGGIE PETERSON
THE GRAPHIC

West will meet Midwest in the Big Grin 2 ski and snowboard slope-style competition.

"We want to recreate that West Coast feel in the Midwest, and give something to the kids that they don't always have," said event organizer John Curtis.

The event is Saturday, March 7, at Mt. McSaub in Charlevoix. More than 30 people competed last year, and 60 to 80 participants are expected this year.

"The message that I always try to get across is that it's a big competition and the prizes are big, but it's not all about the competition," Curtis noted.

Instead, the focus is on the skills of the participants, cheering each other one and the lifestyle and culture of the sport.

Curtis, a Charlevoix native, recently returned to the area, and with him came his company, Go Film Crew Productions. The company was filming at ski and snowboard hills throughout the country last year, and during a stop at Mt. McSaub Curtis decided to plan an event for his hometown.

There are two categories of competition - open class

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What: Big Grin 2
When: 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 7
Where: Mt. McSaub, Charlevoix
Info: Call Laura Stebe, 675-4505, or John Curtis, (231) 852-4495

and under class. Open class is more competitive, and up for grabs is the grand prize, a one-year factory sponsorship from Revolution MFG out of Orem, Utah.

Under class is designed more for fun, with participants competing to see how they place against people of their own ability. Prizes up for grabs in the under class include cash, bindings, boards, shirts, stickers, hats and other swag.

The format of the Big Grin 2 is jam style, with each class having one hour in "The Training Grounds," a terrain park built as part of Charlevoix resident Brennan Stebe's Eagle Project. It was newly installed this season.

"With the burst of the snowboarding, one thing kids wanted was a definite park," said Brennan's mom, Laura Stebe. Judging is done by pro riders from Utah, and participants will be judged not only on

ability but also attitude.

"The idea is to showcase their talent, their style, whether they're grabbing their board or their missing their grab ... We don't like haters ... Are you out there cheering on the other people, or are you ragging on people and talking smack?" Curtis said.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., with the competition running 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Beginning at 2:30 p.m. is the pro exhibition, where the judges will ride "The Training Grounds." Awards for participants are to be handed out at 4:15 p.m.

Cost is \$15, and includes a T-shirt. A paid lift ticket is required; season passes are applicable. Helmets and waiver required.

There are no age limits for the event, but Curtis recommended intermediate ability.

On Sunday, March 8, there is a "Ride with the Pros" terrain park camp, where pros who judged the Saturday competition will be giving tips on boarding and insight into the pro world.

Cost is \$20, and includes light refreshments and drinks. Helmets and waivers are required.

To preregister for the competition and/or the camp, call Curtis at (231) 852-4495 or Laura Stebe at (231) 675-4505.

Contact Maggie Peterson via e-mail at mpeterson@petoskeynews.com.

Know a champ?

Now's the time to speak up

ANDY SNEDDON
NEWS-REVIEW
SPORTS EDITOR

Nominations for Beyond the Scoreboard's fifth annual Champions of Character Awards are due by March 15.

"This is the reward," said Jack Taylor, the driving force behind Beyond the Scoreboard, an Emmet-Charlevoix county-based group dedicated to promoting character through athletics, and rewarding those involved in athletics who follow that goal.

The group has expanded its reach and its offerings to a four-county area which includes Cheboygan and Osego.

"We want to reward those people who exemplify the life character aspect of this," Taylor said.

The nominations are open to anybody involved in youth athletics—from beginning recreation to the interscholastic level—who exemplifies strong character and values and who uses athletics as a vehicle to teach life character lessons.

Anybody can nominate a worthy candidate living in Emmet, Charlevoix, Osego or Cheboygan county.

Nominees can be anybody from an athlete, a coach, a parent, an offi-

cial, a youth sports leader, a fan or an administrator; anybody, really, who is "making a major contribution to youth sports" in the area, Taylor said.

Winners are selected by a panel of longtime area coaches, athletic directors, officials, parents and youth sports leaders.

This is the fifth year that Beyond the Scoreboard has handed out its awards at a spring banquet. This year's is scheduled for June 16 in the Community Building of the Emmet County Fairgrounds.

The organization has handed nearly 20 'character' awards in each of the past four years, and the evening always features a dynamic keynote speaker from the world of athletics.

The speaker for the inaugural champions of character banquet was General Peter Schoemaker, U.S. Army Chief of Staff, who played football at the University of Wyoming.

Other speakers have included former Detroit Lions coach Bobby Ross, and Dr. Dan Gould, a Michigan State University professor and the director of the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports Department of Kinesiology.

This year's speaker is Michigan native Sheila Toarmina, a four-time Olympian and member of USA Triathlon Hall of Fame.

"I think it's unfolded beautifully," Taylor said of the group's mission, which was drawn from other sportsman-ship- and character-building programs across the country, including Coaching to Change Lives, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' Champions of Character program, and Pursuing Victory With Honor.

Toarmina fits the mold of inspiring and on-target speakers who have highlighted Beyond the Scoreboard's highly successful awards banquets.

In addition to the Champions of Character awards, the group organizes and administers workshops aimed at athletes of all ages, coaches, parents and supporters for Northern Michigan schools and sports organizations.

The workshops are administered by the Positive Coaching Alliance of Stanford University, a national organization that promotes character building through athletics.

The Positive Coaching Alliance annually hands out national awards, only four of which have gone to coaches from Michigan.

For more information on nominating, working with the group to bring the program to your sports organization or questions in general about Beyond the Scoreboard, call Joe Villemure, (231) 347-1077.

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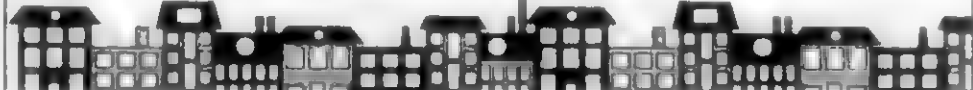
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Seeding for the future



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

The last and most urgent seed catalogs have arrived and I have sent off the orders for this year's garden seeds. I can already taste, smell and see this year's crops, and it looks like an outstanding year. But then, all garden years look outstanding in February. I am annually optimistic. I have ordered an albino beet, which the catalog confidently states, "has the same flavor and texture as

an ordinary beet, with none of the problems of stains on your clothes or counter." I am cautiously optimistic. Is it possible that our senses are so tuned to beet-red beets that a white one couldn't possibly taste the same? I will report at season's end. My annual attempt at growing Michigan sweet potatoes has begun with an ordinary grocery store sweet potato, partly immersed in a vase of water. It is growing roots, but no green leaves have appeared as yet. It is possible to get at least a half-dozen new plants from one such starter. Sweet potatoes need a very long season, and I have harvested from my plants only about one year out of four. Last year the plants were out a bit early and I learned just how sensitive they are to low temperatures. I am not

even sure it was below freezing, but the plants shriveled and died before warm enough temperatures arrived. Several new varieties of summer squash are offered in this year's catalogs, and I can never resist them. Like regular zucchini, so much produce from so few plants. Way more than anyone can use or give away. The new ones are always described as having a nut-like or rich flavor. Don't be fooled. All summer squash taste like what they are cooked with. I'm trying a watermelon again. My father grew wonderful watermelons every year, without any apparent effort, but my attempts up to now have stopped short of being even qualified successes. Last year's seedless watermelon plants, with a pollinator plant to assure that flowers and fruit would

develop, produced two or three baseball sized fruits before dying in late summer. I remain optimistic. Lettuce and Swiss chard I can depend on, although a good head of iceberg lettuce is elusive here in the north. As soon as the snow is gone, we will be harvesting the parsnips planted last year. We dug up a few in late fall, and they should be even sweeter after a winter in cold storage. Baked with a little bit of good vinegar and some maple syrup they are hard to surpass. It is not exactly a Victory Garden, like everyone had in the early 1940's, but fresh food from a garden is always something of a victory. Spring is on the way!

WEEKLY POLL

Have you ever felt mistreated by the police during a traffic stop?

Go online to vote! charlevoixcourier.com

Yes (48 Votes, 40%)

No (47 Votes, 40%)

Never been stopped (2 Votes, 2%)

This week's poll question:
Should Charlevoix City and Township consolidate their fire department's in an effort to save money and increase services?

YES or NO

Neighbors

CHARLEVOIX COURIER

A group from the Community Reformed Church (CRC) of Charlevoix traveled to Guatemala to compete work on a church which three other CRC teams had worked on in the past two years.

The group headed by Fred Siegart also included Terry, Julie and Anna Smith, Richard May, Emily Pellusch (Ellsworth), Gary DeYoung, Steve Coen, Janine Gregory, Bill Fedus (Petoskey), Al Gooch, Josh Wolletz, Gary DeYoung and Dr. Bruce Deckinga (Walloon Lake).

This was the third trip to this village for Siegart, May and Deckinga; the second trip for Gooch and DeYoung.

The Smiths had done mission work in Guatemala years ago.

Anna Smith, 7 years old, was the youngest on the trip. Wolletz, Coen and Pellusch are all high school students.

The group stayed in a team house in Zacapa hosted by missionaries Robert and Thana Jackson out of Allen Town, Penn.

The group traveled each day up into a mountain village of Pe de la Cuesta to finish work on the village church.

The crew made shutters, doors and built some retaining walls.

The pastor of the church, Carlos,

is going to live in the back room of the church now that it is complete.

One afternoon was reserved for a medical clinic. They saw 80 patients.

The team also visited Puente Blanco where some in the group had been last year working on a school. Call the CRC at 547-9482 for information on upcoming mission opportunities.

A "Sorry" is needed in regard to last week's item concerning the musical performance at Concord Academy Boyne. It was the multi-talented Gail Gernie, not me, who played the Irish Whistle.

Heartfelt sympathy goes out to the church family, as well as the family and friends of Everett Leist, 83, who passed away this past week. His final farewell service was held on Monday at the First Baptist Church.

Congratulations go out to Pastor Dave Crumbaugh and his congregation. They have relocated and the new Lakeshore Community Church opens its door at 10:30 a.m. for Sunday service in their new location at 457 Water St. in East Jordan.

The Brandon Ivey family is looking forward to enjoying a few days visiting parents and grandparents in Ann Arbor.

Please note that the Boyne Food Pantry will be closed on President's Day, Monday, Feb. 16. It will be

open from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Feb. 17. Happy Birthday goes out to Albert Nahulu, who will be 12 on Friday the 13th.

On Sunday, he and his 5-year-old sister Hilani enjoyed a bike ride in the beautiful sunny spring-like weather.

Great news came in from Leona Stanek.

She has been in touch with John Holowasko, as they were once close neighbors way back when.

In trying to lift his spirits, she called and e-mailed people who might know where his brother Ron was, as they had lost communications years ago.

Making a long story short, it seems Ron lives in Seattle, Washington, and was just released from the hospital after hip replacement surgery.

The two of them are communicating through e-mail and are planning to get together soon.

Thanking Leona for all she had done, Leona said, "I'd do anything for Johnny to help him out. He has been through so much."

John may be going through brain surgery again after he finishes the treatments he has been undergoing.

A phone call and a nice note came in from Bud and Sherry Jolly of Greenwood. The phone call was mainly about the Boyne Citizen and



COURTESY PHOTO

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Journal closing out and how much they and her mother Bonnie Kane really enjoyed it.

Funny it was, that their niece, Lon Selison just happened to be here. Laughingly, they chatted, like it was a family reunion!

In the note, they told about Sherry's brother Mick Kane (Lon's dad) being there for a few days and all the fun they were having shopping, eating out and just whatever, enjoying quality time with Mom Bonnie Kane.

Senator Jason Allen encourages you to reduce the amount of telemarketing calls you receive by registering with the FTC's free national do-not-call program. Call toll-free

(888) 382-1222 from the number you wish to register or simply go online at www.donotcall.gov.

You must have access to an e-mail address to confirm your intent to sign up.

Tamara Weaver, daughter of Jack and Pat Caverly of Boyne City and Rob Weidlich. The son of Tony and Carol Weidlich of East Jordan are planning a June 27 wedding. The happy couple became engaged on her Jan. 2 birthday.

A great Valentine's Day party will be going on at 11 a.m., Feb. 13, at the Boyne Area Senior Center, which also includes wonderful music of the Jordan Valley Duo. Luckily, they will be playing there

again for the monthly Sunday Dinner, which will be roast beef and all the trimmings.

On Saturday afternoon, a group of 30 gathered at the Advance Board of Commerce Building for a Valentine's Day party and bingo. Valentine's Day decorations, and Jim Karlskin as the caller for bingo, finger foods and door prizes. It was A Fun Time. All were glad three lifetime members: Jessie Willson, Mert Wasylowski and Phebe McCary made it out there.

Items of interest for the Neighbors column, may be called into Nancy's home phone at (231) 582-9174 or via e-mail at neighbors@gtakes.com before Sunday's 9 PM deadline.

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LETTERS to the editor

86 CKD ASAP

Editor:

Recently, The DEQ recommended an on site test well to determine if CMS Inc. could inject leachate at Bay Harbor as opposed to trucking it to Alba.

This proposal does have some merit. It would result in tremendous cost savings and reduced danger to the environment by not trucking it off site.

And in the event of a catastrophic failure, they would only contaminate a site that is already contaminated.

However, a clean up plan that consists of sucking up leachate and injecting it into the ground still leaves some very important unanswered questions.

The most important is, how long will it take to clean up this site using these methods.

I have talked to highly qualified experts and Ph.D.'s in geology and chemical engineering working on this issue.

And, the time estimates I get

range from 4,000 to 15,000 years before it stops leaching; longer than anything in human history has lasted.

When I ask anyone at the EPA, DEQ or CMS about this they only give very vague answers such as "It's going to take a long time" or "a few generations."

And, when I directly pushed them for an answer I was told that they do long-term clean up projects all the time.

I am sorry, but I don't believe that.

They have done clean up projects of cement kiln dust all over the country and nothing like this has ever been done.

And I think it's ridiculous to think that CMS is going to be around that long to take care of the problem.

This is our home. And I would like to leave it to my children at least as good as it was when I came here.

Our grandchildren are going to have their own problems to deal with.

Our grandchildren's grand-

children's grandchildren should not have to be dealing with our problems.

We need to look again at the original EPA order of 2005 that requires them to contain or remove the CKD.

John Teesdale
Charlevoix

H'ARTS A SUCCESS

Editor:

The "Healing H'Arts" art exhibit started as a great success on Valentine's Day.

Chocolate, refreshments, friends and flowers drew a crowd of over 150 individuals to the opening party, at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts. The show highlights the healing aspects of art; with the artists telling their stories of challenge and triumph.

Also displayed is Kathy Britton Mayes', solo exhibit "Eye Contact", featuring larger than life eyes of our beloved Marina La Blau, and many others. These strong visual art displays, helped to create such a strong community cultural

event.

In our old public library, a building rich in a history of public service, these two exhibits will run through early April, free of charge.

The winter hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Kathryn Lobenhart
Charlevoix

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL POLICEMAN

Editor:

I am responding to the story about the police stop. Every person with a license should know the proper procedure for being stopped. You pull over and come to a complete stop.

You do not mess or feel around in your car.

You should place your hands on the wheel and keep them there.

In this day and age we should all be aware how hard the police officers job is.

Anyone, and I do mean anyone, can be a felon.

When the officer does not get out of the car you should know he is calling in your plate to check on you. Who you are and whether there are any warrants or warrants on you.

Having done this, then and only then will be exit the vehicle.

When you decided to move your car you automatically went into a new category.

You were now fleeing and eluding a police officer and use of force is acceptable.

Before you spout off about how a job is done, know something about it.

I am not a police officer nor am I married to one. However, I can proudly say that there are several in my family.

I can assure you they would have had pretty much the same response had you done what you did to them.

You may think it is overkill but by now you should realize that every time a policeman or woman stops someone, it is their life in the balance. Proud to support our local police.

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PI Accident

At 7:37 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 14, deputies from Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to a three vehicle personal injury accident at the intersection of U.S. 131 and M-75 North in Melrose Township.

Once on the scene, deputies discovered the crash began when a westbound passenger car on Springdale Road failed to yield right of way to a southbound passenger car on

U.S. 131. The southbound vehicle on U.S. 131 got into a t-bone type crash which caused the westbound passenger car to rotate into an eastbound vehicle sitting in the left turn lane on M-75 North and U.S. 131. Alcohol is not believed to be a factor in this crash.

Thirty-five-year-old Brandon Honson was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital for treatment of a sore neck.

Thirty-year-old Beuna Baier was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital to be checked over.

Ten-year-old Wyatt Baier was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital for a broken leg and chest pain.

Six-year-old Brandon Honson Jr. was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital

for abdominal pain. The other drivers and passengers were uninjured and refused EMS care.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted on scene by Melrose Township Fire and Rescue, Allied EMS, Frank's Towing and Steve's Towing.

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Weather savvy student gets award

Jacob Mitchell, a fourth-grade student at Charlevoix Elementary, has received honorable mention in the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness 2009 Statewide Poster Contest.

Jacob was one of four winners in the state and which is quite an accomplishment considering there were over 670 posters submitted for judging. Jacob's poster will appear on the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness Web site www.mcswwa.org as well as the Michigan State Police web site www.michigan.gov/msp along with this year's contest winners and winners of past years.

Last month fourth-grade students were challenged, as a culmination to the weather unit they were studying, to construct a poster that would include as much information as possible about proper responses to severe weather warnings and what kinds of things they would keep on hand to be prepared for any kind of emergency.

They were instructed to make colorful, legible poster that would inform the public how important it is to be prepared in the face of bad weather.

The Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness, formed in 1991, works to improve the public's awareness of severe weather events in Michigan.

It provides educational information through a variety of activities to foster increased preparedness and protection from the effects of severe weather.



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The committee is comprised of the following organizations: National Weather Service, Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, American Red Cross, Michigan Emergency Management Association, Michigan Association of Broadcasters WDIV-TV, Insurance Institute of Michigan, State Farm Insurance, Michigan Earth Science Teachers Association and the Hamlin Township Fire Department.

Jacob, his family and any guests are invited to attend a ceremony at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 31 at the State Capitol Building in Lansing.

At that time, he will be presented with a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond.

The ceremony will be held in the rotunda on the first floor of the Capitol.

In addition, following the poster contest ceremony, Capt. W. Thomas Sands of the Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division has invited Jacob and his family to lunch, followed by a tour of the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division and the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC).



COURTESY PHOTO

Band performances

The Charlevoix High and Middle School Bands are preparing for as they prepare for their upcoming competitions. Petoskey will be hosting The Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association Band Festival in their middle school auditorium. The Charlevoix Middle School band will perform at 5:30 p.m., Feb. 27; and the high school band will perform at 10:55 a.m., Feb. 28. Each band will play three pieces of music for three judges and eight read two pieces for another judge.



Donation

At a recent Charlevoix Lions Club luncheon, Roger Nesburg (left) presenting a check from the Club's new Camp Daggett Scholarship Fund to Camp Daggett Development Director, Jennifer Bocher. The club's Camp Daggett Steward, Lion John Hess (right). The money will help kids in need with their camp fees. In addition the Lions regularly perform work projects at the camp on a cabin assigned to them. Of the 36 Lions-supported beneficiaries, 17 of them are specifically youth oriented.

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Charlevoix Kiwanis Club members Suzanne A. Muma and Bob Rajewski get ready for the annual rose sale.

Kiwanis charity drive jus' rosie

Proceeds support youth programs

Charlevoix Kiwanis Club members Suzanne A. Muma and Bob Rajewski get ready for the annual rose sale. The Charlevoix Kiwanis club members are taking orders for long-stemmed boxed roses from Charlevoix Floral now through Feb. 26. Cost is \$25 per dozen to be delivered by club members on March 10, 11 or 12. Orders can be placed with any member or by calling Bob Rajewski at 547-5364 or Suzanne A. Muma at 547-2236. Choice of colors includes red, pink, tangerine or a mixture of the three. All proceeds raised will be used to help support a variety of local youth programs and projects within our community. The Club meets at noon every Tuesday at the Weatherman Restaurant and is always seeking new members who are interested in helping support children locally and around the world.

Official Notice

CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Charlevoix Township Board of Review will meet at the Charlevoix Township Hall at 12491 Waller Road on Tuesday, March 3rd at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing the 2008 assessment roll.

Residents may examine their property assessment at the Board of Review on Monday, March 30th, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. until noon and from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, March 31st from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Charlevoix Township Hall.

Charlevoix Township Tentative Ratios and Multipliers are subject to change by the Assessing Office Board of Review County Equalization and State Equalization.

Listed below are the Ratios and Multipliers.

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Carol Martin,
Charlevoix Township Clerk

Official Notice

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX Ordinance No. 739 of 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 1.57 OF CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE I THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX AND TO RESERVE THAT SECTION FOR FUTURE USE

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Repeal of Section 1.57

Section 1.57 of Chapter 1 is repealed and that section shall be reserved in the City Code for future use

SECTION 2. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment.

ENACTED this 18th day of February, 2009

Ordinance No. 739-2009 was enacted on the 18th day of February, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by:	Councilmember Jill Picha
Seconded by:	Councilmember Dennis Kusina
Yeas:	Campbell, Cole, Gennett, Kusina, Picha, Stevens
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
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Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk	Norman Carlson, Jr. Mayor



What's happening at the Library this week?

Creating Vibrant Health

Wednesday, February 25, 7:00 pm

Join Dr. Anne Wilkin, Chiropractic Physician and Dan Misher, Adjunct Professor of Biology, NCMC to learn about new ways to control food cravings, to squeeze in exercise, and options for long-term health and natural ways to improve your health.

PAWS for a Story

Sundays, February 28, March 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 - 1:00 pm

Spend some time reading and cuddling with a loving dog at the library. Back by popular demand, our certified therapy dogs are waiting to hear your stories! Pre-registers @ 237-7350

Books with a Bite: The Warrior Series, by Erin Hunter

Tuesday, March 3, 3:45 - 4:45
An introduction to genealogy and family history where attendees will learn how to find family information, interview and correspond with relatives, research, hone skills, and organize research. Good for both beginner and novice researchers. \$20 fee, please pre-register 237-7350. *\$40 BYO lunch

That's Outrageous! with Fred Gray

Tuesday, March 3, 7:00 pm

Meet local newspaper columnist Fred Gray and hear about his adventures in northern Michigan and through from his new book.

Ask the Tech Guy

Thursday, March 5, 10:00 - noon

Bring your laptop and questions for assistance from the library's technology assistant, Roger Gennett.

Open Mic Night

Thursday, March 5, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

Ancestor Hunt Begins! with Carol Goodenough

Saturday, March 7, 10:00 - 4:30 pm

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Weekly Events @ the Library

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Digital Imaging Exhibit opens at Jordan River Arts Council



COURTESY PHOTO

Babs Young, Project Coordinator for JRAC; Rachel Krino, in-school facilitator; and Darrin Podskalny, East Jordan Photography Instructor with several of the many digital photos ready for hanging.

The Digital Imaging Exhibit opens Sunday, Feb. 22 at the Jordan River Arts Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan.

The exhibit comprises over 250 works of art by area students producing digital enhanced photography.

Rachel Krino, Bailey Designs and Consulting of Belaire was the facilitator who went to the schools to aid in the project.

The objective of the project is to provide an expanded and enhanced art experience using computer imaging and at the same time to develop an

understanding of the process of creating an art exhibit from conception to final exhibition. Encouragement in thinking outside the box, brainstorming, and school and community cooperation could become a part of the process.

Teachers choosing to have their student participate are: Leda Daykin, Alba seventh grade; Mary Manville, Belaire middle and high school; Marla Watson, Boyne City sixth grade; Deb McDowell, Central Lake high school; Beth McGraw, Charlevoix high school; Darrin Podskalny, East Jordan high school; Deb Hughes, Ellsworth high school; and Renee Guerrero, Mancelona high school.

Illustrated lectures will be presented at 1:30 pm during opening Feb. 22. Refreshments will be served.

This project was funded by the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Jordan River Arts Council.

The exhibit runs through March 20, being open daily from 1-4 p.m.

School and other group tours can be arranged by calling the project coordinator.

Babs Young at (231) 599-2220

One in eight people suffer kidney disease

Learn the risks and solutions during kidney month

In observance of National Kidney Month, the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan is encouraging residents to understand their risk factors for chronic kidney disease and get tested this March.

The NKF defines an at risk individual as someone with uncontrolled high blood pressure, diabetes or a blood relative with kidney disease. People who fall into this category should make an appointment to get their kidneys

checked as soon as possible.

Those who aren't at risk should take health precautions to keep their risk of kidney failure low. Eating healthy, well-balanced meals, exercising regularly, quitting smoking and monitoring your blood pressure are all ways to reduce the risk of kidney disease.

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The Webelos, 2nd Grade



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Blaise Snabes (left) and Lucas Stuck (Jacob Snyder not pictured)

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Flame of discontent apparently burns strong

Not all fire departments ready to consolidate

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Decades of interest in consolidating local fire departments seemed to have culminated in tentative plans to begin a feasibility study.

But, say some city officials, mending age-old divisions to save money and possibly lives won't be easy.

"Back in 2004 the city council appointed a citizens committee to look at each of the departments," said Charlevoix Fire Chief Paul Ivan. "And, after taking a look at the Fire/EMS budget and what it costs to run it, the idea of consolidation seemed like a good idea."

Ivan said there was a time when the Charlevoix City and Township fire departments were one. But, he added, due to personality conflicts which date back nearly four decades, the township created its own fire fighting outfit.

"They had asked us if we wanted to do a feasibility study to see if it was feasible to combine that and the board declined," said Charlevoix Township Supervisor Dale Glass.

When asked why he thought his board was opposed to the idea, Glass said, "We were asked to participate in a study—that's as far as it got."

Currently, Charlevoix

City's fire/EMS consists of three full-time fireman, the chief and 24 paid on-call firefighters.

Ivan said, though it sounds like plenty of staff, the city would find itself struggling if faced with multiple EMS and structure fire calls.

"Staffing is critical," Ivan said. "Just to go into a structural fire you need two guys ready to go in, two guys backing them, a rapid intervention team with a minimum of two—so there's six people plus the guy running the pump, so that's seven before you even think of entering a burning building."

Once you figure the various shifts during each seven day week and then account for those volunteers who are working or sick or on vacation, and there is nowhere near an abundance of staff.

"We're not critically understaffed, but we're certainly not overstaffed," Ivan said. "A perfect day would be where I could staff two ambulances—that's three each—and still have enough people to fight a good size structural fire."

He added, "If we combined the two fire departments I think you could realistically do that."

Charlevoix City fire currently serves the city, the townships of Norwood, Marion and the northwest por-

tion of Evelyn.

Charlevoix City EMS currently covers the aforementioned geographical locations plus a portion of Hayes Township and Charlevoix Township.

"I see consolidation as a way of serving rather than duplicating efforts," Ivan said. "Not enough people want to be volunteer firemen. Back when everybody worked in town it was easy to pull off the mechanic or the meat cutter or the barber for a call, but now with our mobile society, it is a very difficult thing to volunteer when people do not live in the town they work in."

In addition to utilizing the same pool of firefighters and EMS personnel, Ivan said consolidation would minimize spending on equipment.

Charlevoix City fire/EMS currently contract to carry out fire/EMS work for the surrounding townships, but Ivan said, those rates have remained stable for many years and it is costing Charlevoix.

"We're looking right now at putting together a proposal for townships to see the cost of providing service," he said. "Next week or so Rob (Straebel, Charlevoix City Manager) and I will present to the townships these rates."

Ivan added, "The consolidation effort is not dead and we would still like to facili-

tate something like this because bottom line: Staffing is what's going to kill us."

Straebel said the city certainly could not and would not attempt to mandate the township's cooperation in

the matter, but said he feels the issue warrants a closer look.

"A feasibility study cannot be done without the township," he said. "We extended a collaborative hand to

Charlevoix Township and I guess we were surprised at their unwillingness to work with us on this."

Straebel added, "We'll keep trying to move this thing forward."



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Trip to Motor City

The Northwest Academy Jazz Combo recently made the trip to the Fox Theater in Detroit to see BB King play. Following the concert, the troupe traveled to Saginaw Valley State University for a tour and a jazz clinic.



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Patrons of the Charlevoix Circle of Arts browse numerous pieces on display during the opening of the Healing H'Arts art exhibit which runs now through April 5 at 109 Clinton St.

FEB

Here's a "Checklist" for Surviving a Financial Crisis

Ben Muladere
Financial Advisor



Over the past few months, the news has been almost incomprehensible. It's hard for many of us to make sense of the failure of major Wall Street firms and large banks and the \$700 billion bailout of the financial sector. And it's hard for investors to be calm when stocks have fallen more than 40 percent between October 2007 and Inauguration Day in 2009. What can you do to cope? Consider the following "checklist" for surviving a financial crisis:

• **Close your ears — but open your eyes.** These days, you may hear some so-called "experts" talking about end-of-capitalism scenarios. Try not to listen to these doom-sayers. We still have the most powerful economy in the history of the world and we will recover from these setbacks. However, even if you close your ears, you should keep your eyes wide open. Specifically, look

for opportunities. Stock prices are down now, but they won't always be — and, all else being equal, investors who buy into the stock market at lower prices are likely to earn higher returns than those who buy stocks when prices are higher.

• **Focus on things you can control.** During a financial crisis, your success at weathering the storm depends on your ability to stay calm and concentrate on the things you can control. For example, you can control your emotions so that you aren't panicked into making unwise, short-term decisions, such as putting all your money under your mattress. And, to a certain extent, you can even control your portfolio's ability to withstand volatility. How? By diversifying your holdings as broadly as possible. The wider your range of investments, the less you'll be hurt by downturns that primarily affect one asset class. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee profits or protect against loss.)

• **Review and rebalance your portfolio.** During this market decline, some of your holdings have probably fallen more than

others. As a result, you may now own a lower percentage of a specific asset class than you had originally intended when you built your portfolio. Consequently, you may want to meet with your financial advisor to determine if you should rebalance your portfolio by adding more money to those asset classes that have fallen the most. You may also want to rebalance if your risk tolerance or long-term goals have changed.

• **Look for quality investments.** In this economic environment, it's more important than ever to focus on quality investments. When you buy stocks, look for those companies with strong balance sheets. If you're purchasing bonds, stick with those that receive high credit ratings. If we are entering a prolonged economic downturn, these types of investments will, in all likelihood, fare better than lower-quality stocks and bonds.

• **Be patient.** No one can predict when a bear market will end, but history has shown that turnarounds can happen quickly and unexpectedly. So be patient. The most successful investors have the courage

to stay the course and take advantage of opportunities while others are "bailing out" of the financial markets.

We may still have some rough roads ahead of us. But if you can check off every item on this list, you can smooth out some of the bumps you'll encounter on your journey toward achieving your long-term goals.

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10 things about ... Leon Bolhuis

**BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR**

Born and raised in Charlevoix, and having farmed most of his life, Leon Bolhuis comes off as a quiet, unassuming man. But, with a background of working for children's charities, having done work for the Peace Corp. in Malaysia and taken college and correspondence classes in his spare time, this modest bachelor is full of surprises.

Q: What's something few people know about you?

A: "I wrote a science fiction story about six years ago for a children's literature class."

Q: How did you become interested in writing?

A: "I just like to write stories for other people to read and then I like to translate them into other languages."

Q: How did you get into translating stories?

A: "I have about 119 foreign language dictionaries and language books I've been collecting since about 1980."

Q: What do you do for fun?

A: "I like to read science books and write computer programs."

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: "I like about every kind of food, but I don't like cottage cheese."

Q: What's something you've always wanted to do?

A: "I'd like to be a science researcher and do research especially with biology, genetics or robots."

Q: How did you get into your line of work?

A: "I grew up on a farm and I've been working on this (Bad Boss) farm for about 10 years. I mix batches of feed for cows and clean the barns."

Q: What is your favorite topic to write about?

A: "I like to translate some stories from the bible into different languages."

Q: You wrote a piece entitled "The Nut" about a little metal nut attached to a bolt on a piece of farm machinery. Was this based on a true story?

A: "From my experience working on farms I made it up—and then I translated it into Latin."

Q: If you could meet anyone in the world, living or dead, who would it be?

A: "Maybe the president of the United States."

Following is the story of "The Nut" by Leon Bolhuis.

There was a nut that sat on a bolt that was part of a corn picker sheller combine.

The nut just sat there day after day and thought it was not needed by anyone.

It thought it would not even be missed if it were gone.

So one busy day when the combine was picking corn, the nut decided to leave the

high, and 20 feet long. The combine came to a screeching halt by the loss of a half-inch nut!

Now there were people looking frantically for that nut.

The nut heard them say, "Where is that nut?"

"It is not very far away because the combine could not go far without that nut!"

The nut wondered if they were talking about it.

"I caused all this! They really miss me!" The nut thought.

Just any nut could not replace this nut. It had a half-inch diameter hole with very fine threads of 75 threads per inch.

The nut was hardened, and was made of an alloy of metals, or a mixture of different metals, so it could stand the heat and pressure.

The nut was just the right size to fit on the bolt in that slot. It was specifically designed for that purpose!

It would take days or weeks to order or make another nut like this. The people looking for this nut had to find it as soon as possible!

This nut not only caused the combine corn sheller to quit, but also the corn dryer, and held the trucks back from loading more corn to take to the market.

The people looking for the nut found the very valuable nut on the bolt.

Then the combine corn Sheller was working again. More corn was picked, and the corn dryer was running, and the trucks could take more dry corn to the market.

We are something like that very valuable nut.

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The following is a letter from one of these past winners.

"We have come a long way Baby but have a long way to go."

Honor women in your life this March.

BY ANNE SOISSON 2006
AWARD RECIPIENT

In 1908, 15,000 women marched through New York City demanding shorter hours, better pay and voting rights, and started a movement which many years later got attributed the recognition of International Women's Day. So, today, 100

years later, is there anything left to fight for? And what is the importance of International Women's Day in 2008?

Nearly a third of all adults living with HIV/AIDS are under the age of 25, and two thirds of them are women. Over 110 million of the world's children, two thirds of them girls, are not in school. Of the world's 875 million illiterate adults, two thirds are women. One in every three women is a survivor of some form of gender-based violence.

Girls between 13 and 18 years of age constitute the largest group in the sex industry. It is estimated that around 500,000 girls below 18 are victims of trafficking each year.

Nearly 1,400 women die every day from pregnancy-related causes, 99 per cent of them in developing countries. More than

80 per cent of the world's 35 million refugees and displaced people are women and children.

These are statistics, bare numbers, but every single figure stands for a life story filled with pain, suffering and discrimination. None of us can picture all this torment but at the same time none of us is expected to

All which is required from us, as citizens and women of this world is a response to these conditions.

International Women's Day gives the global community as a whole a renewed occasion to

reassess its accomplishment and measure the efforts done and those still to be achieved to advance the status of women worldwide.

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Moreover, especially for women, today should be the day that women identify with all the other women on this planet. Identifying always includes

comparing, comparing always implies awareness about differences and similarities. And it is this consciousness about different life circumstances better or worse which will motivate us and make us act. Knowing that a peer, an equal suffers, is in pain and has to fight for her basic rights will make us take the necessary steps to provide help and support.

So still, even hundred years later, globally as well as locally there is plenty to identify with, to reflect and to act upon, today and every day. So why not start

now!

Contact the Zonta Club of Charlevoix at www.zontacharlevoix.org for more specifics on this initiative or any other issue related to improving the status of women and girls.

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February 2009

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I want to take the opportunity to personally invite you to attend one of the "State of the School" forums that I will be hosting on **Thursday, February 26 or Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30 pm in the Middle School Large Group Room.** I will be providing updates primarily on the following four topics:

The quality of the academic programs

The impact of 2008 bond projects

The May 5 non-homestead tax renewal request

The 2009-10 budget challenges

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Just as with virtually all school districts in the state and this region, we are facing challenging financial issues for the upcoming school year due to decreasing enrollment and the condition of the Michigan economy. This budget challenge is simply too critical to be dealt with independently by the Board of Education, the principals and/or I and therefore I will be asking for your assistance in the process this year. I am forming a parental and community advisory committee to review the financial projections, suggest and explore all options that would allow the school district to maintain its high academic standards and to keep the budget cuts removed from the classroom while maintaining our fiscal responsibilities. Please consider attending one of the forums and volunteering for the budget advisory committee.

As always, please feel free to contact me directly if you have any comments or questions about the upcoming forums or any other issues regarding Charlevoix Public Schools.

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Monday, February 16, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

- A public hearing was held on proposed budget amendment #3 to the 2008-2009 City Budget Ordinance.
- A public hearing was held on the 2009-2010 proposed City Budget Ordinance.
- A public hearing was held on a proposed ordinance to repeal Section 157 of Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the City Code.
- Resolution 2009-02-02 adopted, Repeal of 1993 Conflict of Interest Policy.
- Ordinance 737 of 2009 enacted, Budget Amendment #3 to the 2008-2009 City Budget Ordinance.
- Ordinance 738 of 2009 enacted, 2009-2010 City Budget Ordinance.
- Ordinance 739 of 2009 enacted, an ordinance to repeal Section 157 of Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the City Code.

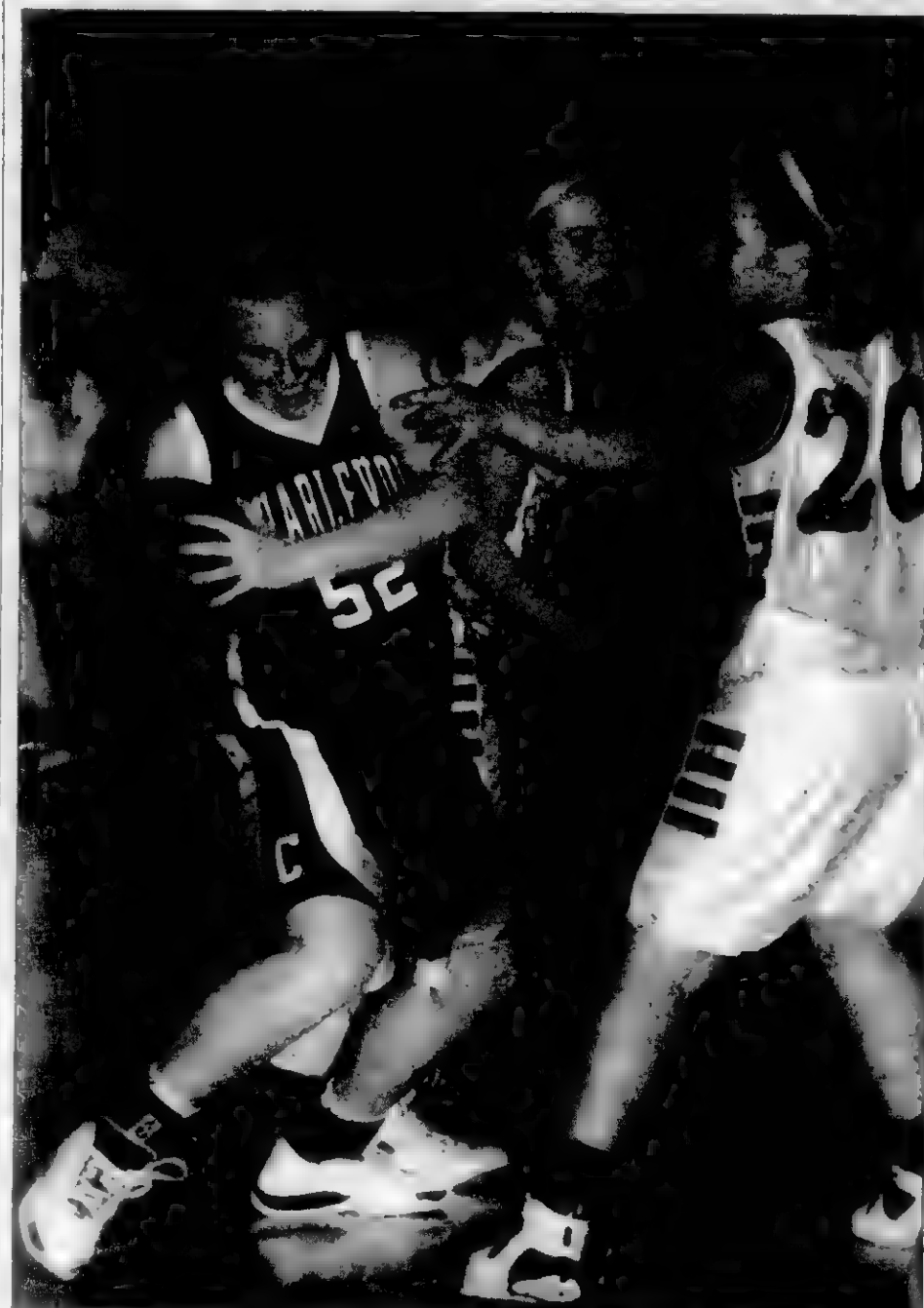
Council adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk Norman L. Carlson, Jr. Mayor

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SPORTS reviewing the action



EJ Winter Sports 2009,
Girls vs Charlevoix

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Giant slalom at Boyne Highlands Ski academy results

Age-group results of Sunday's Northern Michigan Ski Academy giant slalom races at Boyne Highlands:

Age 7-under: Girls, 1-Jenna Good, Charlevoix; 2-Megan Scholten, Charlevoix; 3-Maxy Fuchs, Charlevoix. Boys, 1-Blaise Snabes, Charlevoix; 2-Andrew Truman, Harbor Springs; 3-Ian Davis, Harbor Springs.

8-9: Girls, 1-Maddy Furman, Harbor Springs; 2-Abby Scholten, Charlevoix; 3-Ashlyn Kartes, Boyne City. Boys, 1-Brad Klinger,

Charlevoix; 2-Ethan Siegwart, Charlevoix; 3-Riley Norton, Petoskey.

10-11: Girls, 1-Winter Vinecki, Gaylord; 2-Kylee Chojnacki, Charlevoix; 3-Aliza Wespiser, Harbor Springs. Boys, 1-Shea Fuhrman, Harbor Springs; 2-Matt Good, Charlevoix; 3-Brett Siegwart, Charlevoix.

12-13: Girls, 1-Meg Shepherd, Harbor Springs; 2-Mia Ciccoretti, Boyne Falls; 3-Abby Hofweber, East Jordan. Boys, 1-Brian Erhart, Petoskey; 2-Noah Honaker,

Petoskey; 3-Corey Bohner, Petoskey.

14-over: Girls, 1-Reilly Philliben, Boyne Falls; 2-Ganae Zettie, West Branch. Boys, 1-Joe Loomis, Petoskey; 2-Ben Loomis, Petoskey.

Rayder wrestlers: End season with district loss

Both Boyne City and Charlevoix lost in their respective district wrestling tournaments on Thursday, Feb. 19.

The Ramblers fell to St. Ignace, 54-6, in the team district at Rogers City. Charlevoix lost to Traverse City St. Francis, 39-33, in the tournament

at Kalkaska.

St. Ignace defeated Rogers City, 49-27, in the title meet, and St. Francis downed Mancelona, 40-36, to win its district crown.

The Saints and Gladiators move on to the team regional at Munising.

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Lady Rayders trample Harbor

Rayder guard Alyssa Smith doesn't let her opponent get in her way during last week's blowout over Harbor Springs. See more game photos at www.MChrisLeese.com.

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Prep girls' basketball: Big second half lifts Charlevoix

Faminy Potter scored 10 points and Charlevoix outscored Boyne City, 34-15, in the second half Tuesday, Feb. 17 as the Rayders remained unbeaten in the Lake Michigan Conference girls' basketball race with a 57-34 win over Boyne City.

Charlevoix, 15-2 overall, 12-0 league, has won 11 in a row. The Rayders wrapped up their fifth straight Lake Michigan Conference title with a win last week over Kalkaska.

Rachael Butler scored seven

points to lead Boyne, 7-10, 7-5, which saw its four-game win streak come to an end.

"We couldn't handle the pressure in the second half," Boyne coach Jim Brown said. "We couldn't claw back this time."

Meridith Rich added nine points, nine rebounds and five assists for the Rayders, while Shauna Spencley scored eight points; KC McCary added seven points, 11 rebounds; and Potter had nine rebounds, five steals.

Charlevoix won the first meet-

ing, 47-45, hitting the game-winning shot with 5 seconds to go.

This time, the Rayders turned up the heat in the third quarter and maintained the pressure in the fourth and no clock-winding-down dramatic heroics were necessary.

"I just told them we've got to turn up the defense in the fourth quarter and not give it away," Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine said. "We finished really well. That was pretty big for us."

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PHOTO BY MIKE SCHLITT

This photo was taken on January 7 of a group of ladies from the Harbor Health & Fitness Center. This group of ladies gets together each year for a morning of snowshoeing followed by a wonderful lunch. A great way to get out and enjoy the winter in Northern Michigan.



PHOTO BY KIM TAYLOR

Keon Taylor (left) and Cora Taylor pose with Mother Nature's own piece of art, this ice formation, at Sugarloaf Mountain in Marquette over New Year's.

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Helen Johnson sent in this photo for this month's "That's My Photo" page. Johnson is asking anyone with information on those pictured to come forward and save her curiosity. Send correspondence to Johnson via e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com



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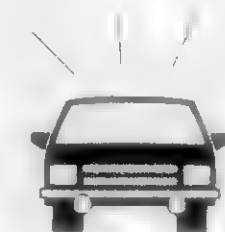
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Leah Davis and pal Cora Taylor pose with two Harlem Globetrotters during a show in Gaylord.

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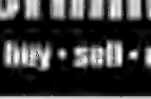
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Brrr, blackbelt training

Students of the Maple Grove Martial Arts school are seen here running in the frigid waters of Lake Charlevoix earlier this winter. The school's self-described "old school" training methods include back country runs and an obstacle/challenge course. The school is currently accepting students into its Kong Shin Bup style of Hap Ki Do, an ancient Korean martial art. Pictured are instructors Christopher and Rene



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Kindergarten through second-grade students work in their new classroom at Northwest Academy. The school recently built the additional room to accommodate the ever-increasing early elementary program which is now in its third year of operation. The construction included a 24-foot by 20-foot classroom, a 12-foot by 20-foot office and a counseling room. Completed by Siegwert Builders, the

renovations came in at just around \$20,000. Northwest Academy's enrollment increased from 75 in the 2007-2008 school year to 103 in the 2008-2009 school year. The early elementary class moved into their new room on Jan. 6. While the school is filling up fast, there are still a few spaces available. Call 547-9000 for more information on class availability and enrollment. April 16 and 18

NWA Kindergarten round-up

From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 16 at Northwest Academy of Charlevoix, 115 West Huribut, St. there will be a Kindergarten round-up for parents to enroll their student or get more information about the school. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 18, there will be a K-12 open house for enrollment for all students. Call 547-9000 for more information.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Claude Cutler II, a Single Person, aka Claude A. Cutler II, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2006, and recorded on Page 315, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Midfirst Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Two And 45/100 Dollars (\$126,172.45), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 14 seconds East 06 minutes 14 seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.39 Feet to a point in

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the center line of Deer Lake Road, thence South 54 degrees 08 minutes East along said Center Line 101.89 Feet, thence continuing along said center line South 51 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East 168.32 Feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 08 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds East along the Eastern line of the Earnest F. Moore property as recorded in Land Contract, Liber 229, Page 537, Charlevoix County Records, 587 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeast line of Deer Lake Road, thence continuing North 06 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 line of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 37 seconds East along said South 1/8 line 3.87 Feet to a T-iron Stake, thence South 33 degrees 20 minutes 43 seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron Stake; thence South 01 degrees 12 minutes 32 seconds West 213.99 Feet to a T-iron Stake on the Northeast line of said road; thence continuing South 01 degrees 12 minutes 32 seconds West 82.59 Feet to the Center Line of said road, thence North 51 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East along said center line 373.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, Michigan, at 11:00 AM, on March 27, 2009.

Said premises are located in the Township of Hudson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing in the Southwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 7, Township 32 North, Range 4 West; thence East 51.15 feet; thence North 60.0 feet; thence South 60.0 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSIT PROPOSED STATE AND FEDERAL APPLICATION FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

All citizens are advised that Charlevoix County Public Transit has prepared an application for State of Michigan financial assistance for Fiscal Year 2010, as required under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1961, as amended, and for federal assistance as required under the Federal Transit Act, as amended.

Charlevoix County Public Transit is requesting a total of \$1,292,755.00 through the following funding sources: State Operating Assistance of \$431,865.00, Federal Operating Assistance of \$171,600.00, Federal Capital Assistance Section 5309 of \$551,390.00 and State Capital Match of \$137,840.00. Capital items include replacement of seven (7) Buses, Digital Recording and Real Time GPS Equipment, Facility Mechanical Equipment Replacement, Vehicle Diagnostic and Repair Equipment, Server and Workstation Computer Equipment Replacement, Communications Equipment Replacement, and Planning and Design Funding for Vehicle Maintenance Facility.

Charlevoix County Public Transit ensures that the level and quality of transportation service is provided without regard to race, color, or national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. For more information regarding our Title VI obligations, or to file a complaint please contact us at the address given below.

The proposed application is on file at the Charlevoix County Public Transit, 1050 Broadway Street, Boyne City, Michigan 49712, and may be reviewed during a 30 day period February 01, 2009 - March 03, 2009, between the hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM M-F.

Written comments regarding the application and/or written requests for a Public Hearing to review the application must be received by March 13, 2009. If a hearing is requested, notice of the scheduled date, time, and location will be provided at least 10 days in advance.

Submittals should be sent to Charlevoix County Public Transit, 1050 Broadway Street, Boyne City, Michigan 49712, or emailed to charlevoix@charlevoixcourier.com.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Debra K. Miller, to CM Mortgage, Inc., successor by merger with ClifFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 20, 2004 and recorded May 27, 2004 in Liber 616, Page 758, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Three and 01/100 Dollars (\$104,383.01) including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, Michigan, at 11:00 AM, on March 27, 2009.

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TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 20, 2009
Oriens Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
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248-502-1400
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Helene L. Vlade, unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 24, 2004, and recorded on December 14, 2004 in Liber 656 on Page 304, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Four and 02/100 Dollars (\$132,964.02), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at East corner of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, thence South 89 degrees 13 minutes 20 seconds West along quarter line 1327.16 feet; thence South 5 degrees 00 minutes West 73.13 feet for a place of beginning; thence South 80 degrees 55 minutes West 818.35 feet; thence North 18 degrees 16 minutes 55 seconds West 119.2 feet; thence North 4 degrees 19 minutes 05 seconds West 448.48 feet; thence North 29 degrees 15 minutes 15 seconds West 282.70 feet; thence South 71 degrees 18 minutes 25 seconds East 217.82 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 58 seconds West 119.2 feet; thence North 18 degrees 16 minutes 55 seconds West 328.28 feet; thence South 33 degrees 42 minutes 15 seconds East 235.32 feet; thence South 35 degrees 16 minutes 25 seconds East 282.02 feet to the place of beginning; being a part of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter and a part of the North half of the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

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Dated: February 4, 2009
For more information, please call: FC R 248 593 1303
Trot & Trot, P.C.
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Archie L. Castle Jr., an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 24, 2004, and recorded on December 14, 2004 in Liber 656 on Page 304, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand One And 31/100 Dollars (\$95,051.31), including interest at 4.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 6, 2009.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 20, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Government Lot 3, Section 23, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, commencing 273 feet South and 33 feet West of the 1/4 post on East line of Section 23, West 167 feet, North 90 feet, East 157 feet, South 60 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 18, 2009
For more information, please call: FC R 248 593 1303
Trot & Trot, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #242422F01
(L-02/18/02/25/03/04/03/11)

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Board game comes to life on stage

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has a bit of a fascination with Mrs. Peacock, Mr. Boddy's wife, played by senior Jordan McCarthy.

This is Jordan's fourth year in Charlevoix's plays, and said this is the first time the performance has been in the mystery genre.

On her character, she noted, "I think she's different than the other characters I've played. I have to reach to be a widowed, older lady who's self-centered."

"Clue: The Musical" runs at

7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27-28, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 1, in the Charlevoix High School auditorium.

Tickets are available at the door, and are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and children; Sunday matinee is \$1 off. Wager said the play is similar to a Pixar movie, in that it can appeal to children but has some comedy designed more for adults.

For more information, call Wager at 547-3222 ext. 2011.

Defending seats against newcomers

SEATS
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asset."

The Charlevoix native, who has three grown children, said he will make a good school board member because he always devotes himself to his work.

"Whenever I took care of the football fields or drove into the buildings, I always want-

ed (people) to have a 'wow' impression," he said. "It was like they were coming into my house and I wanted them to feel good; I wanted them to have pride."

Look for candidate Kevin Pearsall's feature in upcoming editions of the Courier.

Benefactor bequeaths nearly \$100K to Charlevoix schools

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Deceased Charlevoix resident Robert Craig and his wife Georgine may be long gone, but their memory will live on in form of a new Charlevoix Public Schools scholarship.

The funds, to first be distributed to deserving members of the class of 2010, will be given to those students of academic merit and financial need.

"We are pleased to announce the very generous gift of \$97,025 for the Charlevoix Public Schools students," said Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik. "The interest from the trust will be used for college scholarships for our graduates."

He added, "It is hopeful that the scholarship will go on forever."

The funds will be handled by the Charlevoix County Com-

munity Fund and will be given in Robert Georgine Craig's honor to highly academically qualified but also financially in need students to attend college.

Robert Craig's father was superintendent of Charlevoix schools during the 1920s, and Robert eventually studied chemical engineering at the University of Michigan before moving to Buffalo, New York.

In 1945, Robert and Georgine married and Robert went on to teach at his alma mater. Robert eventually earned his master's and doctorate in dental chemistry.

The couple spent their summers in Charlevoix at their Clipperview cottage before Robert died in 2003 and Georgine died in 2008.

For more information about the Craig Trust Scholarship, call 547-3200.

Official Notice

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX

Ordinance No. 737 of 2009 - 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment #3

The Budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2009 shall be amended for opening the City of Charlevoix. Ordinance No. 726 of 2008, Budget Appropriation Act of 2008-2009 is hereby amended as follows (3rd Amendment):

		Original Budget	Amended Budget	Net Change
General Fund	RV Taxes	2,242,180	2,242,180	0
	RV Other Credits	272,800	275,018	2,218
	RV Licenses & Permits	0,000	2,200	(3,800)
	RV Charges for Services	616,075	616,075	(21,825)
	RV Fines & Forfeits	21,200	21,200	0
	RV Interest & Rents	125,200	125,200	(1,484)
	RV Other	5,540	5,540	0
Total Change in Revenues - General Fund:		3,312,700	3,312,700	(18,961)
General Fund	EX Legislative	63,800	63,800	(6,577)
	EX General Government	571,800	543,717	(27,883)
	EX Public Safety	1,193,300	1,039,580	(153,710)
	EX Public Works	248,400	238,200	(12,400)
	EX Health & Welfare	245,400	245,400	0
	EX Recreation & Culture	940,400	940,400	0
	EX Other	104,000	104,000	0
	EX Fund Transfers	0	0	0
	Total Change in Expenses - General Fund:	3,312,700	3,312,700	(221,270)
Major Street	RV Total	851,700	851,700	(8,184)
Local Street	RV Total	148,100	143,802	(4,188)
	EX Total	127,700	138,988	11,288
Downtown Development Authority	RV Total	825,900	822,014	(3,886)
	EX Total	904,500	1,022,013	117,513
Airport Fund	RV Total	388,100	207,572	(180,528)
PW1 Fire/Ambulance Replacement	EX Total	180,000	173,570	(6,430)
PW2 Sewer Capital Fund Tap Ins	RV Total	31,200	12,800	(18,400)
PW3 Sewer Capital Fund NBS	RV Total	28,000	11,300	(16,700)
PW4 Interconnection Fund	EX Total	198,400	198,400	0
PW5 Industrial Park Fund	RV Total	1,400	5,000	3,600
PI #10 City Hall Improvements	RV Total	248,500	253,500	5,000
PW12 Mt. McSaubia Recreation	RV Total	13,000	80,000	67,000
PW16 Downtown Parking Fund	RV Total	1,000	1,000	0
Electric Fund	RV Total	6,354,100	6,247,580	(106,511)
Water Fund	EX Total	6,789,300	6,884,555	95,255
Water Fund	RV Total	1,027,000	964,000	(63,000)
Marina Fund	EX Total	1,216,000	1,329,203	113,203
	EX Total	2,639,400	4,798,385	2,158,985
Employee Fringe Benefit Fund	RV Total	1,794,300	1,705,301	(88,999)
Employee Fringe Benefit Fund	EX Total	1,680,700	1,682,889	2,189
Motor Pool	EX Total	953,700	1,187,237	233,537

Real Debt Write Offs		
General Fund	28,304	ambulance fire
Electric Fund	380	docking
Water Fund	5,887	
Water Fund	2,182	
Sewer Fund	1,041	
Total:	38,594	

ENACTED this 16th day of February, 2009.

Ordinance No. 737-2009 was enacted on the 16th day of February, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Greg Stevens
Seconded by: Councilmember Lyle Gennett

Yeas: Campbell, Cole, Gennett, Kusina, Picha, Stevens
Nays: None
Absent: None

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Generators can save or kill Extreme caution urged

The Michigan Public Service Commission recommends implementing safety procedures to ensure the safe, effective use of emergency generators.

In the event of a power outage, many Michigan homeowners and businesses rely on portable power generators to keep lights and a running until service is restored.

A portable generator is designed to run a limited number of electric appliances at a time and is typically powered by gasoline or diesel fuel.

A generator usually costs between \$400 and \$2,000, depending on size and features.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) suggests that you consider the following important points when deciding to buy and use a portable generator.

• **Sizing** - To determine the size of the generator you will need, total the wattage of the lights and appliances you need to power. For example: Appliance wattage needed to run appliance: Furnace (1/3 HP blower) is 2,100; refrigerator is 1,800; microwave is 700; two 100-watt light fixtures are 200 for a total of 4,800.

And, because appliance wattage varies, these figures represent averages.

Some appliances require up to three times that wattage upon startup.

• **A typical portable generator is rated at 3,000 to 7,500 watts.**

Most household appliances are rated at 120 volts.

Some larger electric appliances (e.g., electric range, electric clothes dryer, well pump, air conditioner) are rated at 240 volts. If you want to power this type of appliance as well as smaller ones, you will need a generator that is rated at 120-240 volts.

• **Installation** - Always read and follow all installation and operation instructions for your generator. There are two ways to safely install and operate a portable generator: Direct Hook-up. Portable generators are designed to power a limited number of plug-in appliances like your refrigerator, freezer, lamps - or any other combination of appliances you determine to be essential. These and other home appliances not permanently wired to the electrical system can be powered directly from the generator through a heavy-duty (at least 12 gauge), polarized extension cord. The extension cord should be less than 100 feet long to prevent power loss and overheating.

• **Safety transfer switch** - some generators can be permanently connected to your electric system to energize your home's wiring in the event of a power outage. This type of installation requires a safe-

ty transfer switch. Before starting your generator, you must activate the switch. The switch disconnects your home's wiring system from the electric company's system and allows electricity to flow from the generator to your home's circuitry. The switch prevents the generator from back-feeding electricity into the power lines and possibly causing injury or death to unsuspecting utility workers trying to restore power. The switch also prevents damage to your generator, wiring, and appliances when electric service is restored. Only a licensed electrician should install a transfer switch.

• **Safety** - always follow the safety instructions in the manufacturer's instruction manual. Always follow local, state, and national fire and electric codes. A permit may be required for installation. Never plug a portable generator into an electrical outlet in the home or garage. It can "back feed" power into the utility company's lines - which can kill or injure utility workers fixing downed power lines.

Always use a heavy-duty (at least 12 gauge) UL-listed extension cord (less than 100 feet long) from the generator to your appliances - being careful not to overload the cord. Always make sure that the total electric load on your generator does not exceed the manufacturer's rating.

To avoid electrical shocks, always properly ground the generator according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Never operate a generator indoors or in an unventilated area. The exhaust contains deadly carbon monoxide fumes.

Do not store gasoline for a generator indoors. Gasoline should be stored in an approved, non-glass safety container. Extinguish all flames or cigarettes when handling gasoline or the generator. Always have a fully charged, approved fire extinguisher located near the generator. Make sure you have enough fuel to run a generator for an extended period of time - during a power outage, gas stations may be closed.

Never refuel a generator while it is running. Shut it off and let it cool for 10 minutes before refueling to minimize the danger of fire.

Parts of the generator are very hot during operation. Avoid contact - especially with the muffler area.

Keep children away at all times.

Protect the generator from rain and other moisture sources to prevent electrocution.

When not in use, store the generator in a dry location such as a garage or shed.

Official Notice

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
ORDINANCE NO. 738
BUDGET APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2009-2010

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX ORDAINS:

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Charlevoix did give notice of the time and place when a public hearing would be held in conformity with provisions of Section 7.8, Article VII of the City Charter, which Public Hearing was duly held pursuant to said notice and in conformity therewith;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year commencing on April 1, 2009 and ending March 31, 2010 are hereby appropriated on an activity level basis (a detailed breakdown by detail level can be found in the Budget Details document) as summarized by the following:

GENERAL FUND

REVENUE:	Taxes	\$ 2,337,100
	Licenses & Permits	4,500
	Charges for Services	273,100
	Fines & Forfeits	657,900
	Interest & Rents	22,100
	Other	125,200
	Fund Transfers (In)	3,800
	Appropriation from Surplus	0
	TOTAL REVENUES:	\$3,423,400
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EXPENSE:	Legislative	\$ 55,900
	General Government	1,480,000
	Public Safety/Health & Welfare	1,480,000
	Public Works	255,500
	Recreation & Culture	881,200
	Other	74,600
	Fund Transfers (Out)	85,000
	TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$3,423,100
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Charlevoix does hereby levy a tax for operations of 11,1528 mills (9.05 mills operating and 2,1028 mills infrastructure) for the period of April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 on all real and personal property in the City of Charlevoix according to the valuation of the same. This tax is levied for the purpose of defraying the general expense and liability of the City of Charlevoix and for infrastructure improvements, and is levied pursuant to Section 8.1, Article VIII of the City Charter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council does hereby levy a tax not to exceed 1.3631 mills for the period April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 on all real and personal property in the Downtown Development District, according to the valuation of the same within the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council does hereby levy a tax not to exceed 1.0 mill for the period April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 on all real and personal property in the City of Charlevoix, according to the valuation of the same. This tax is levied for the purpose of defraying the cost of rubbish collection and other related services provided citizens allowed by the act, and is levied pursuant to Michigan Public Act 213 of 1969; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council does hereby approve the rate increases for Electric, Sewer and Water rates effective April 1, 2009, and the rate increases in the rate section of the budget for golf fees, airport rates, ambulance rates, recreation fees, planning fees, parking fees, miscellaneous fees and all rates listed in the "Rates" section of the Budget Details document; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council does hereby approve the following budgets for the period April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 in the amounts set forth below by fund:

FUND	REVENUE	EXPENSE	FUND	REVENUE	EXPENSE
Major Street Fund	\$567,500	\$567,500	Perpetual Care Trust Fund	17,000	0
Local Street Fund	130,600	129,000	Fire/Ambulance Fund	32,600	0
Electric Fund	6,874,000	6,874,000	Sewer Tap-in Fund*	21,200	0
Sewer Fund	1,401,500	1,401,500	Northside Sewer Fund*	73,400	73,400
Water Fund	1,171,400	1,171,400	Infrastructure Improvement	571,300	571,300
Marina Fund	1,050,800	1,050,800	Public Works Site Fund	209,317	209,317
Motor Vehicle Fund	951,900	951,900	Industrial Park Fund	26,400	26,400
Downtown Development Auth	917,300	917,300	City Hall Improvement Fund	118,147	118,147
Airport Fund	919,700	903,300	Mt. McSaubia Recreation Fund	43,900	43,900
Employee Fringe Benefit	1,869,700	1,746,000	Downtown Parking Fund	3,800	0

ENACTED this 16th day of February, 2009.

Ordinance No. 738-2009 was enacted on the 16th day of February, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Gabe Campbell
Seconded by: Councilmember Greg Stevens

Yeas: Campbell, Cole, Gennett, Kusina, Picha, Stevens
Nays: None
Absent: None

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Health classes
Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Boats show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarek and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

CHS art on display

Charlevoix High School students' art work is on display at Charlevoix Public Library.

Now through Feb. 20 Applications for summer art camp scholarships are being accepted. To get more information or to get an application, contact a guidance office or art teacher at either Charlevoix Middle or High Schools. The funds are released from the Enduring Arts Scholarship fund and two scholarships to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp will be awarded.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilenski at (231) 675-2773 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

52nd season at Mt. McSaubia

Mt. McSaubia locked off its 52nd winter season with a new groomer, snowboarding terrain park, web cam and more.

Registration sheets for the ski and snowboarding schools are available at the ski hill.

Efforts to raise funds for the new ski hill groomer have yielded nearly \$80,000 with \$48,000 left to pay off. To donate to this community wide cause, call recreation director Kristin Anderson.

Visit www.mtsaubia.com for more information.

"Smart Style" safety guidelines will apply to the new snowboarding terrain park "The Training Grounds." Visit www.nssa.org for more information on the safety guidelines.

Four Free Native Talking

Circle
Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix.

Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at . Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

IN
The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA
Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength
In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society museum winter hours:

The museum is closed January and February. The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

• **Mysteries of the Michigan Room**, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Feb. 25. Learn what treasures actually lie behind the cabinets in the Michigan Room - view rare books and learn to use the new digital microfilm scanner.

• **Creating Vibrant Health**, 7 p.m., Feb. 25. Medical pros discuss ways to control food cravings, make time for exercise and more.

• **PAWS for a Story**, 10:30 a.m.

to 1 p.m., Feb. 28. Back by popular demand, our certified therapy dogs are waiting to hear your stories. Pre-register by calling 237-7350.

• **Books with a Bite: The Warner Series**, by Erin Hunter, 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., March 3. The untraditional tween book discussion for grades 5 through 7. Come for games, crafts and snacks and don't forget to read any of the titles in the Warner Series beforehand.

• **That's Outrageous!** with Fred Gray, 7 p.m., March 3. Meet local newspaper columnist, Fred Gray and hear about his incredible career in northern Michigan through excerpts from his new book.

• **Open Mic Night**, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., March 5. Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

• **Ancestor Hunt Begins!** with Carol Goodenough, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., March 7. An introduction to genealogy and family history where attendees will learn how to find family information, interview and correspond with relatives, research hometowns, and organize research. Pre-register at 237-7340.

• **Story-Time** is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• **Writer's Group** is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• **Grades five through seven** can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series
Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

• **March 5** - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers

• **March 12** - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking
Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mhnesle@cah.org.

FEB. 26 AND MARCH 4

State of the School Forum
Chet Janik will host the state of the school forums at 6:30 p.m.

both days in the middle school large group room.

Topics include:
• The quality of the academic programs
• The impact of 2008 bond projects
• The May 5 non-homebased tax renewal request
• The 2009-10 Budget Challenges
Public is welcome.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Festival

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Festival movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Blue Velvet on Feb. 19, A Simple Plan on March 5, Lo Dolce Via on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

St. Mary fish fry Feb. 27, March 6, 20 and 27

Come dine on fried or baked fish, fries or baked potatoes, coleslaw, lemonade, coffee or water and desert for \$8. Children's mac and cheese dinner for \$4. From 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. each night.

FEB. 28

Scrapbooking for all
From 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Public Library, scrapbookers new and experienced are invited to join. Visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Char-Em_Scrapbookers for more information.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion
Economic meltdown, Bernie Madoff, off-shoring, sub-prime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college?

Are you interested in learning more about economics -- what the words mean, basic concepts, pointers on personal finance?

Camp Daggett
Torchlight snowshoeing from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., weather permitting. No experience necessary. If you can walk, you can snowshoe. Call 237-9742 for more information.

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.

March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages"

March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

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MARCH 2

Eisenheimer, Allen host tax workshop
Event focuses on property tax appeals, foreclosures. Area residents can learn and ask questions about home ownership in Michigan's current economy at a forum hosted by Rep. Kevin Eisenheimer and Sen. Jason Allen at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 2 at the Charlevoix High School auditorium.

"People have been getting 2009 property assessments in the mail and are seeing their taxable value increase even though their home is now worth less, and that is confusing," said Eisenheimer, R-Kewadin.

"Other homeowners may be facing a lender's foreclosure, and can learn what steps can be taken in that situation."

The lawmakers have invited representatives familiar with the board of review process as well as the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Information on state resources as well as details about legislation pending in Lansing to help homeowners will be provided.

"Getting as much information as possible and being proactive with it if you are facing home ownership challenges is important," said Allen, R-Traverse City. "There is potential help out there if you become familiar with the process and know where to go."

The high school is located at 05200 Marion Center Road, in Charlevoix.

Residents are asked to RSVP by calling Eisenheimer toll free at (877) 536-4105, or through the contact link on his Web site at www.gophouse.com/eisenheimer.htm.

People unable to attend the forum who are interested in receiving the information can contact Eisenheimer at (877) 536-4105 or by e-mail at kevin.eisenheimer@house.mi.gov, or Allen at (866) 525-5637 or by e-mail at senjallen@senate.michigan.gov.

MARCH 3

Historical Society presents "Unwritten History" program
The Charlevoix Historical Society will be hosting an illustrated program entitled "Unwritten History" that will focus on the natural history of the Charlevoix and regional area dating back to 18,000 years ago. The program will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3 at the Depot on Depot Beach. It will be presented by local retired professor of botany and Charlevoix Courier columnist Roger Knutson. Roger is also the author of three books dealing with unusual natural phenomena. He will concentrate on how to interpret the way we live here now by looking closely at what surrounds us: how the Ice Age sculpted the land to form our lakes and topography and how this in turn influenced area farming techniques; the prehistoric animals that lived here; Native-American relationship to the land 500 and more years ago; the pre-1900 white pine across the continent that helped build a nation; and more. Light refreshments will be served. Donations to help support the Society's programs will be appreciated. Call 547-0373 for more information.

MARCH 3, 5

Little League
The Charlevoix Little League will be having registration for boys and girls, ages 7 to 14 for the upcoming season. Your child must be 7 before April 30, 2009, to be eligible for Little League due to new age requirements adopted by Little League International prior to the 2006 season. Registration is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Charlevoix Middle School cafeteria on March 3 and March 5; \$45.00 per child. Family discounts available. Registration cutoff is April 1. \$15 late fee for late registrants. Kids new to the program must have a copy of birth certificate. Call Todd Klinger at (231) 437-3035 for more information.

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Women's swim night
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Bergmann Center seeks donations
Bergmann Center Inc. of

Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2579.

Commodity pick-up
The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

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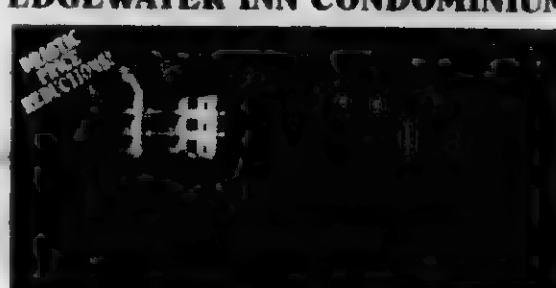
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ORV LAWBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Should four-wheelers be allowed on public roads?

Opponents and proponents of the state's new off road vehicle (ORV) law will have their chance to opine on the matter during a public hearing set for 6 p.m., April 9 in Charlevoix City Hall chambers, 210 State St.

"I think it looks like a good program, but I think time is going to be the test," said Charlevoix County Commissioner Joel Evans (R-District Four). "Maybe in a year or two we will take a good look at what roads we should open or what roads we should close, so this is a good trial basis to lay things out."

The state made HB 4323—legislation which allows off road vehicles to travel the shoulder of select roads—a law in August, 2008.

While the new law allows for 43 of Michigan's more than 80 counties to participate, the law is not mandatory and municipalities may opt out of allow-

ing four-wheelers to ride certain roads at up to 25 mph.

Charlevoix County's proposed Ordinance Nine If passed the ordinance would allow four-wheelers, three-wheelers, multi-track recreational vehicles, dirt bikes, motorcycles, amphibious machines and hovercraft "or other means of transportation deriving motive power from a source other than muscle or wind."

According to ordinance nine, it does not cover any of the following: "a registered snowmobile, a farm vehicle being used for farming, a vehicle used for military, fire, emergency, or law enforcement purposes, a vehicle owned and operated by

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Whodunnit?

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Leading ladies in Charlevoix High School's "Clue the Musical" are (from left) Mrs. Scarlet played by Kimber Wager, The Detective played by Morgan McCarthy, Mrs. White played by Jennie Withers and Mrs. Peacock played by Jordan McCarthy.

St. Marys Cement monument recovered

A disgruntled spouse's tip led police to Scott Allan Louisselle's home on a larceny complaint involving stolen DVDs, but they found also found St. Marys Cement's missing monument.

The monument, stolen in August 2008, from the plant's 16000 Bells Bay Road facility, consisted of a 70-pound Potoskey stone and 100-pound maple trunk base which was handcrafted by a former long-time cement plant employee.

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"We got a tip that it was out there and did a search warrant and searched with the wife (a former St. Marys Cement employee), but they couldn't find the Potoskey stone," Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Ja-



Louiselle

rema said. "The wife was moving out and she went to the house to pick up some of her belongings in the attic and she saw the stump that the stone was mounted on and she recognized it as the missing item."

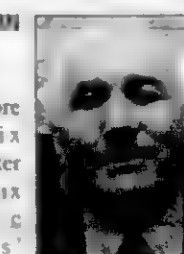
"He added, "She went home and called St. Marys and they contacted the police."

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Union, administration to mediate

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now more than six months after Charlevoix Public Schools' teachers' and support staff's contracts expired, the union and administration will mediate.



Janik

Unable to come to agreeable terms on both a benefits and financial compensation package for the bulk of their employees, the school's administration, headed by superintendent Chet Janik, filed for mediation in recent months.

"We're hoping to come up with some compromise that's fair and equitable for both parties," Janik said. "We're down to where we need to cut expenses or cut personnel—just like most school districts,

we're experiencing declining enrollment and with fewer dollars coming in from the State of Michigan."

The mediation, March 2 for support staff and an as-of-yet undecided date for teachers by press time, comes in the wake of what some are calling public negotiation in the form of both the Michigan Educational Association's (MEA) Arch Lewis who told an audi-

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Carson Allen Schick, weighing eight pounds, two ounces, was born Feb. 22 at Butterworth Hospital to Joel and Tays (Drost) Schick of Kentwood. The boy was 19 inches long at birth. Carson's grandparents are Chris and Danya Drost of Charlevoix; Brian and Kristin Schick of Adrian. Great-Grandparents are Carl and D'Ann Rothenberger; Margaret Drost and the late Eugene Drost, all of Charlevoix.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Shandon Earl Williams, 19, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol, second offense. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Adrian Jeffrey Smith, 18, Boyne Falls. Minor in possession of alcohol, second offense. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Antonio Joseph Hartle, 46, Charlevoix. Disorderly person/drink. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Mary Margaret West, 46, Boyne City. No proof of insurance. Pay \$150 in fines and costs.

Suspect in custody

MONUMENT Continued from page 1

According to Jarema, Louiselle was serving a 30-day jail sentence for violating a personal protection order stemming from domestic violence and assault and battery charges when city police began investigating his alleged role in the theft of at least one DVD from Family Video of Charlevoix.

Though already in custody at the time, city police formally arrested Louiselle on Feb. 20 at the Charlevoix County Jail.

Both the Charlevoix City Police and Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office were involved because, while the alleged crimes occurred within the city limits, the Louiselle residence

is in Norwood and, therefore, in the sheriff office's jurisdiction.

"I'd like to commend both departments for a good working relationship with recovering of stolen property from two separate crimes," said Charlevoix Police Chief Gerard Doan. The monument, taken in the late evening hours from the cement plant's lobby, has an estimated value of \$5,000.

Louiselle was arraigned on Feb. 27 and pleaded not guilty to charges of receiving and concealing stolen property on the St. Marys' monument and larceny in a building, a four-year and/or \$5,000 fine for his

alleged role in the DVD theft. "You had a guy who spent a year building this monument and then you had somebody come along and steal it," Jarema said. "It's not a pink flamingo that got taken from someone's yard—someone put a lot of time into that thing and it's disheartening to have someone steal someone's property especially when it came from the heart."

A preliminary examination is scheduled for 2:45 p.m., Tuesday, March 10. A spokesman for St. Marys Cement did not return calls by press time.

costs or serve five days in jail. **Jennifer Jean Matkovich**, 30, Columbus, Ohio. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve eight months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,030 in fines and costs.

Paul Leroy Fredenburg, 28, Boyne City. Domestic violence, first offense; malicious destruction of property, less than \$200; abandoning animals/animal cruelty. Credit for 33 days in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$951.50 in fines and costs.

Duane Lester Tripp, 47, Charlevoix. Domestic violence, second offense. Credit for 58 days in jail; 307 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; no contact with victim except by phone; \$500 in fines and costs.

Matthew Joseph Meyer, 38, Ossineke. Driving while

impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,030 in fines and costs.

Roger Jay Alward, 31, Charlevoix. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Credit for four days in jail; 72 days held in abeyance; serve 89 days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Cory Matthew Vroman, 18, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 40 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$300 in fines and costs.

Steven Raymond Russell, 21, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Anthony John Lucas, 18, Charlevoix. Attempted criminal sexual conduct-fourth degree. Credit for one day in

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Still no complaint filed

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

According to local law enforcement, the 30-year-old woman who claimed to have been victim of excessive force has still not stepped forward in an official capacity.

Gwen White Erickson of the Michigan State Police Post in Petoskey, Charlevoix County Sheriff W. Don Schneider and Charlevoix City Police Chief Gerard Doan all said Warner has filed no complaint with any of their offices.

"I would like to take this moment and reassure to the visitors and people of this community that this alleged matter has been looked into as thoroughly as possible with the existing circumstances," stated Doan in a March 3 written statement. "I have spoken with the witnesses and I

thank them for their cooperation. To this date, there has been no complaint filed with this police agency or any other agency."

Doan went on to say he hoped drivers would heed all common sense rules of the road and conduct themselves with care during traffic stops.

"I would encourage those who have questions with an officer to come forward and report it to a police agency," he added.

According to Charlevoix District Court records, Warner is scheduled for March 5 to fight the speeding ticket she received the day of the alleged incident.

Warner, who claims to have had a gun drawn on her during a traffic stop on Feb. 1, did not return calls by press time.

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And then there were five
Norwood planners shrunk by two

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Following last month's failed attempt by the Norwood Township Board to alter the size of their planning commission, the board voted overwhelmingly on Feb. 16 to reduce the commission by two seats.

While the move falls in line with Michigan's most recent zoning enabling act requirements to dissolve planning commissions and reinstate them by ordinance, and the move could save the township thousands of dollars each year, opponents to the move are crying foul.

"At one point in time a couple years ago I advocated that, maybe it should be five members," said planning commission member Tom Mielke.

"But, because of my experiences I have changed my mind and believe that, due to the amount of work necessary, and the need to keep as wide a variety of personalities and backgrounds on the PC (commission) as possible, seven members is a much more appropriate number."

He added, "It can be done with five, and it's cheaper, but

seven is more appropriate."

Norwood Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton said the move merely changes the commission to what it was approximately six years ago.

"They had a new master plan at the time and they felt it would be great if they had more input," he said. "So, they went from five to seven ... (and) they just continued on."

Hamilton added that they now have a professional zoning administrator, which makes planning work easier. And, he said, most surrounding townships work just fine with a five member board.

Since the old planning commission was dissolved all members who wish to retain their old seats must reapply.

By press time the planning commission seats had nine applicants.

One of the seats on the commission must be filled by a board member, so there are four seats open for interested applicants.

The deadline to file is March 16 with the interview process to begin sometime in April.

The lone "nay" vote in the matter came again from Norwood Township Treasurer Dave Leusink.

"My position remained unchanged from last month," Leusink said. "I do believe by having seven members on the planning commission we can have a better representation of the community. Although we can do it with five members, if cost were really an issue we could have re-

duced costs by reducing pay for each meeting."

He added, "The intent of a well-rounded planning commission is so that you can review the planning issues before you from different backgrounds—some educational, vocational, geographical in the township."

Leusink said he, Hamilton, board member Dana Pajtas and interim attorney Bryan Graham will review the applicants.

Mielke said he just doesn't see any positives to the board's move.

"I think with everything we've had before us they might be jumping the gun on this one," he said. "I think it's important that we don't consolidate too much power in the hands of a few."

Mielke, who had not filed for re-appointment by press time added, "I've got the experience of six years and I know what's going on, but I doubt I would be re-appointed because my mindset and political outlook does not match that of Frank (Hamilton) and his advisors."

The interview process for prospective planning commission members will be open to the public and the date will be published as soon as one has been set.

Four vie for school board
Candidate's second run for seat

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Lifelong Charlevoix resident Kevin Pearsall is making his second run at a Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education seat.

While the candidate has no formal political experience, Pearsall said his years running his own landscaping company has given him the experience to responsibly operate a large entity like the Charlevoix schools.

"I've been involved and going to school board meetings over the last year trying to educate myself on the issues," he said. "I just want to try to help balance the budget and make some decisions to help improve our schools."

Pearsall added, "I'm running for the kids. I don't have any personal agenda."

Pearsall said he is the best can-

didate of his opponents Michael Pearsall and incumbents Dean Spenceley and Christine Michaud because he puts his all into everything he does.

"I like to investigate the whole situation before I make decisions and I say what I think," he said. "I guess I'm one to make my own decision and I think that's what we need on the school board."

SEVERAL OPENINGS ON NORTHWEST SCHOOL BOARD

The deadline to file for two positions on the Northwest Academy Schools Board of Education is on April 22.

While the community does not have the chance to vote on who will be seated on the board, there is still a strict selection process involving Northwest's charter

holder Saginaw Valley State University.

"The seats include one vacated by Jack Russell on Feb. 11 and the other currently held by Joanne Olach.

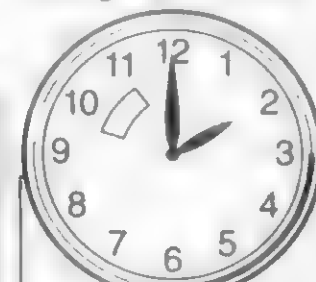
Applications for the three-year board positions can be obtained and filed by visiting Northwest Academy at 115 West Hurst St. in Charlevoix.

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CORRECTION

Due to reporter error, one of the characters in the Clue picture published in last week's Courier was misidentified as Logan Nuttal when it should have read: Michael Lamoreaux.

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Help yourself by helping others



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Volunteering is good for what ails you. Individuals who volunteer are more likely to live longer.

I didn't make this up: According to the Chronicle of Philanthropy, people who contribute their time to a good cause often say they feel a 'helper's high.'

This same report claims that volunteering raises life expectancy, helps lessen depression and aids in the recovery from illness.

The positive attitude acquired from volunteering will

actually make you healthy. Of course if you volunteer for everything then stress will occur and you'll defeat the purpose.

I just wanted to remind you overachievers out there. I volunteer to keep myself out of trouble, out of my husband's hair and besides I can't sit still for long.

It really is nice to know the returns are beneficially healthy as well.

Just as we've learned that 15-30 minute workouts five times a week are good for our bodies, a mere two hours of volunteering per week is also a health benefit. It really is good to be good.

Volunteering is a positive outlet for your talents, a great way to network, and an opportunity to develop new skills.

I just finished sending a letter of recommendation to one of our former Charlevoix students who applied for a volun-

teer position at the University of Michigan.

You have much to gain if you're a student. It gives you a chance to discover whether or not you're suited to the line of work you might be interested in.

You gain practical knowledge and it assists in marketing yourself for future job interviews. Hands on experience and networking are always a plus.

Once you've experienced the rewards of volunteering first hand you'll find that giving up a little bit of your time follows the old adage, "If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it."

Plus volunteering improves your overall attitude and during this winter of shoveling snow and then shoveling once again an hour later, who couldn't use a little attitude adjustment.

There are a variety of op-

portunities in our community and in this time of economic need I feel certain any community would benefit from an extra hand.

Just look in your newspaper or on the Internet and you'll find information on the need to assist someone with foreclosure related help.

There isn't a single food pantry that couldn't use an extra hand.

Have you thought about becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister?

Have you thought about volunteering with a special needs student learning to ride a horse? What about the library, churches, hospital or schools?

What a great way to role model for our children.

Volunteering leads to meeting new people, learning new things, it keeps your mind sharp and in turn can lead to a healthier you.

Be generous with your time

WEEKLY POLL

Should Charlevoix City and Township consolidate their fire departments in an effort to save money and increase services?

Yes (66 Votes, 85%)
No (12 Votes, 15%)

This week's poll question:
Should we riders be allowed to traverse the shoulder of certain county roads?

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and if you are ever in need of someone's help you'll surely receive it tenfold. I may already be preaching to the choir but if your not one of fold already lending a hand in your community or someone else's, now is the time to act upon it.

What are you waiting for? Audrey Hepburn truly was

"My Fair Lady" when she said, "If you ever need a helping hand, it is at the end of your arm. As you get older you must remember you have a second hand. The first one to help yourself, the second hand is to help others".

Negative perception can lead to negative reality



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

Last month I received a call from a client canceling an appointment she had made earlier for marriage counseling, really.

When she had first called she had already made up her mind to leave her husband and wanted to talk it through with an objective third party. When she called to cancel she told me she had decided to stay with the marriage.

"Great," I responded. "Were you able to patch everything up?" She told me things between

her and her husband were just as empty and pointless as they had been but now the economy was so bad she couldn't afford to leave.

So, where marital bonds weren't strong enough to keep that family intact economic bondage saved the day.

"Our house isn't worth what we owe on it, so neither of us can move to where we could make a decent living," she said. "And it takes both of us working to pay this mortgage, so I can't move out."

"We're stuck with each other," she lamented, "because we're stuck with this house."

The impact of these difficult economic times on American families may give new meaning to the vow to stick it out for better or worse, in richer or poorer.

Under this sort of pressure, husbands and wives can react in one of two ways. They can either lock arms and stay committed to get through these times

together, or they can take out their fears and frustrations on one another until somebody has to get away.

When things reach that danger zone, husbands and wives change the way they act and speak to one another. Here are four behaviors that only make matters worse.

First, one spouse or the other simply withdraws. They don't want to argue, so they physically remove themselves from the room and from the conversation while they emotionally remove themselves from the marriage.

They stop sharing feelings, and communication is limited to the raw facts associated with schedule and logistics. They choose to disengage, not only from the other spouse but from the high-tension issues that ideally would be faced together.

Expressions like "do whatever you want" become common responses.

The second behavior occurs

when one spouse begins to belittle the other. Talking down to a spouse with an attitude of superiority, or using a tone that telegraphs the message "you're stupid" only leads to resentment and escalation of the battles.

Ideally, husbands and wives compliment each other's strengths and weaknesses and they relate to one another as two adults.

When one spouse assumes a parental posture and begins to treat the other as a child tensions build.

Third, one or both intentionally escalate the tension. Husbands and wives have a first hand knowledge of each other's hot buttons, and tend to push them in a form of emotional "jockeying."

Each time a button gets pushed the relationship gets a little more stressed. When tension leads to argument and argument leads to warfare things are said and done that are hard to

recover from. Words hurt, and the hurt lingers.

Fourth, one or both fall into the trap of seeing more negative in their spouse than is actually there. When things get tense and approach that danger zone where divorce is a suddenly attractive option, be on guard against the tendency to regard them as worse than they really are.

By peering through the negative lens, a wife looks at her husband's 10 pounds of pot belly she once thought was cute and now thinks he looks like Jabba the Hutt.

Through the negative lens, a husband hears the wife's laugh he once thought of as a charming lilt and suddenly cringes at what sounds like a cat being strangled.

Neither exaggeration is accurate, and both lead to dissatisfaction for dissatisfaction's sake.

As always, the best advice to prevent marital meltdown is

found in the Bible, Jesus, as he prepared to die for us, gave us the new commandment to simply love one another. (See John 13:34) There is in that imperative a call to respect and uplift and simply be there for the man or woman you chose as a life partner.

Paul, in Ephesians 5, calls husbands and wives to love one another with a self-sacrificing love that is rooted in respect for one another.

In Ephesians 4 Paul instructs us to only speak words that are uplifting, and to get rid of anger before it turns ugly.

If you can do what the Bible asks of you, and if you can avoid those four destructive behaviors, your marriage should come through these tough times just fine.

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LETTERS to the editor

TRAFFIC STOP

Editor: Dear Chief Doan, I was very disturbed to read the article in the Charlevoix Courier regarding a traffic stop on Feb. 1. While I appreciate your desire to investigate the matter, the public needs to know that the investigation was independent, thorough and that appropriate action was taken.

I can see no justifiable reason for the drawing of a gun for a minor traffic offense on a side street in downtown Charlevoix.

Even if Mrs. Warner moved the car a little further after the stop, it does not justify the drawing of a gun and pointing it at Mrs. Warner.

The news report does not indicate that there was any threat directed at the officer.

I can see no legitimate reason to draw the gun except for the fact that we may have an officer out of control acting like a SWAT team.

If Mrs. Warner can be assaulted by a gun, then who is next?

Will the consequences be worse? Will the next person drive away when they see a police officer pointing a gun at them? Will the Police officer shoot an innocent person?

The Community needs to know who this officer is and the outcome of the investigation.

I trust you will not claim that Mrs. Warner did not file a complaint so you cannot do anything.

I would also hope that the Charlevoix Courier will keep on top of this investigation.

The citizens of our Community deserve to be fully informed. Donald A. Van Sittchem Charlevoix

FIX THE FLOW

Editor: It has been stated that "if you build it they will come" and thus has become a living reality here in Charlevoix as proven with the opening of our new marina-park complex.

It's definitely the gem of these Great Lakes and, in conjunction with our busy waterfront business district, we have created the best of both worlds to attract

welcomed visitors by land and sea.

Yet, this new development dances on both sides of the fun/grief ratio - as we embrace one - we give birth to another. As the positive side continues to explode, it also fosters a negative conundrum. I refer to the downtown corners of Bridge/US 31 and Clinton Streets.

In the height of our festival season, let alone routine summer traffic, this area becomes a mega bottle neck.

Pedestrians stroll, oblivious to changing traffic lights, leaving little or no time for vehicles to proceed or turn thus creating motorist frustration.

If your commercial vehicle is sitting in this pattern when time is money, well, one can see where this comes back to bite us all.

Now add Venetian week and you have to pity those in grid lock south by the Dairy Grille or north by the IGA—been there and done that, right—and just when this flow moves forward 200 feet, the bridge goes up.

So where am I going with these thoughts? Let's look for a positive in this nightmare.

Moving traffic and pedestrians through this intersection efficiently and safely should be the top priority, yet it is the lonely child waiting for winter.

All over our country similar situations are being addressed and remedied by the installation of pedestrian "walk/do not walk" digital countdown traffic signals.

From major cities like Indianapolis to Mitchell Street in Petoskey, these innovations are giving heads-up instruction to slow-moving foot traffic.

This becomes a win-win situation for all.

Yes, we have built it and they have come.

Now departments and personalities need to step up and do the right thing.

R. E. Beaumont Charlevoix

FLIGHT FEE

Editor: Your 2-18-09 article on the Flight Fee has created an early attack of March Madness here

However, Many of us were spared.

We appreciate our connection with Charlevoix and the services they provide - shopping, hospital, lodging, entertainment and access to the mainland.

Let's hope for an early spring and the exaggerated concerns will go away.

B. Cruickshank Beaver Island

WHAT OTHER COLUMNISTS ARE SAYING...

Will a liberal Democrat reform American education?

Who would not want to compensate the best performers, provide incentives for others to improve and perhaps make some changes?

By Steve West, Northern Islander Newspaper contributing writer

President Obama seems to be surrounding himself with an interesting, intellectual and somewhat diverse group of advisors. His appointments to key positions are encouraging, particularly Hillary Clinton for Secretary of State, General James Jones as National Security Advisor and Education Secretary Arne Duncan.

There is an old saying: "It took Nixon to go to China." It would have been politically difficult for a Democrat to seek normal relations with Communist China. The accusation of "soft on Communism" was much too threatening during the cold war. Perhaps in 2009 it takes Obama to reform American education.

Education Secretary Duncan, during his

time as Chicago's senior educator, closed some low performing schools, was pro charter schools and supportive of performance pay for teachers. These are views not associated with one of the Democratic Party's biggest supporters, the National Education Association (NEA).

In our Fabled Federal City the school board is finally facing up to a little secret that every education professional knows. The biggest factor in student performance is excellent teachers. That is an area administrators can control. Yes, indeed, bad teachers are a key reason for poorly educated students and Washington DC has an abundance of both.

Because DC schools are the worst in the nation, by most measurements, the elected board finally decided to bring in the big gun. She is Michigan born Asian American Michelle Rhee. Chancellor Rhee is engaged in a major battle with entrenched unions and poor teachers for the radical idea of... Take a breath... compensation based on performance. The teachers union is not pleased.

This revolutionary Michigan-der thinks that a young teacher with five (yes 5) years of experience should earn upwards of \$100,000 a year in salary and performance bonuses. She also thinks that lousy teachers should be fired. Okay, let's be more touchy-feelie and say, helped to find a new profession.

Her revolutionary two-tiered contract proposal includes large pay increases for all DC teachers. Teachers could select the "red tier" and retain their near

iron-clad job protection. Or they could sign up for the new and very lucrative "green tier," in which they would give up tenure and allow themselves to be evaluated and potentially dismissed in exchange for higher raises and bonuses.

The Washington Post, in a February editorial aimed at teachers and their union was uncharacteristically blunt, "Teachers are the single most important factor affecting student achievement, so why would you not want to compensate your best performers, provide incentives for others to improve and get rid of those who don't produce?"

In a moment of candor, a Michigan teacher's union executive once said, "We will take an interest in students when they start paying dues." Shocked? Why? He was simply articulating normal human self interest in his and members paychecks. Serious education reform starts with the premise that the NEA is all about teachers, not children. A Democratic President must be prepared to risk this huge block of votes in order to do the right thing with respect to education. It will be interesting to see what approach Obama's Duncan takes.

Thanks, MCSAUBA CREW

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NCMC presidential scholarship

Home school students only need apply

The Board of Trustees of North Central Michigan College has approved a new presidential scholarship for one graduating senior from a home school in our service area. Currently, scholarships are provided for graduating high school seniors in Emmet, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Otsego, Presque Isle, Antrim and Mackinac counties.

Students in high schools are nominated by their principals. Home school students must provide all materials listed below and

- Complete an online Application for Admission to North Central by April 30 of their graduation year.
- Be a valedictorian, salutatorian, or have a 3.5 overall high school grade point average.
- Have an ACT score of 18 or above for ENG and a Reading score of 21 or above or have a score of 6 on the E-Write and 88-100 in Reading on the COM-PASS.

- Be nominated by the high school principal (business or community member preferred) as to their ability to benefit from a college education and leadership qualities.

Nomination documents must include a letter from a candidate's high school principal (business or community member preferred), a high school transcript complete through the nominee's seventh semester with ACT scores or COMPASS scores on file at North Central. The test scores as of the deadline date will be used in the determination of the recipient. All documentation must be received no later than April 30.

Presidential Scholarships will be for full tuition and fees (registration and laboratory for four consecutive semesters (fall and winter only) and will be subject to certain conditions including registration for the Fall semester at NCMC immediately following the recipient's spring high school graduation; registration and completion of a minimum of 12 credits each semester which count toward graduation; observation of published College behavioral standards; and

involvement in a leadership/volunteer program as provided by North Central. Scholarships may be renewed for three semesters beyond the first award provided a 3.0 minimum GPA is maintained each semester.

Interested parents in the home school community can contact Naomi DeWinter, Dean of Student Services, NCMC at ndewinter@ncmach.edu or 231-348-6618.

North Central Michigan College is an open-door community college based in Petoskey. Through its University Center partnerships, students can take courses leading to certificates, bachelor's and master's degrees from participating universities. North Central's Institute for Business & Industry Training offers non-credit job skills training tailored to meet individual needs. In addition to its main campus in Petoskey, North Central offers classes, academic advising, testing and other services in Cheboygan, Gaylord and East Jordan.

Call 348-6879 for more information.



Jr. Olympics

Charlevoix's Gunner and Garret Lundteigen qualified for the USSA Jr. Olympics this last weekend while racing at Marquette Mountain. They skied in the J-4 division. The Junior Olympics will be held March 19 - 21 at Winter Park Colorado. The athletes will compete in Slalom, Giant Slalom and Super G at the Jr. Olympics. The boys train with "Fun Racing" at Mt. McSaubia, and Boyne Alpine Race Team at Boyne Mt.

COURTESY PHOTO

WEDDING

Nathan Browe and Kelly Reid are planning a July 18, 2009 Wedding at Assembly of God Church in Charlevoix.

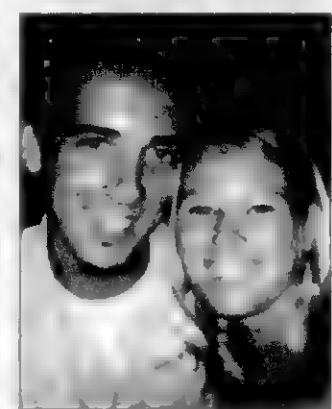
Nathan is the son of Ron and

Laun Browe of Charlevoix and Kelly is the daughter of Bruce and Kathy Reid of Charlevoix. Nathan is a 2001 Graduate of Harbor Light Christian School and is a field service engineer at DCL Inc. of Charlevoix.

Kelly is a 2002 Graduate of Charlevoix High School and a 2006 Graduate of Central Michigan University where she majored in athletic training/sports medicine.

She is the head athletic trainer for East Jordan High School and is employed by Charlevoix Area Hospital working at Jordan Valley Rehabilitation in East Jordan.

The couple plans to live in Charlevoix after the wedding.



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Law allowing ORVs on certain roads

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a utility company or an oil or gas company when performing maintenance on its facilities or on property over which it has an easement, a construction or logging vehicle used in performance of its common function, or a registered aircraft."

Prohibits operation of ORV on the following stretches of road: Thumb Lake Rd., US 131 to the Charlevoix County line; Boyne City/Charlevoix Road in its entirety; Boyne City/East Jordan Road from M75 to the East Jordan City limits; Ellsworth Road from the East Jordan City limits to the Charlevoix County line; Marion Center Road, from Charlevoix City limits to the Charlevoix County line; Kings Highway, which includes Main Street, from the Light House, Sec. 26, St. James Township... to East Side Drive, Sec. 34, Pease Township, Beaver Island; and any roads that have been excluded by a city or township ORV ordinance in Charlevoix County.

Of those interviewed, even the proponents are concerned over the safety issue of untold numbers of recreational vehicles traveling the shoulder.

"This is another state mandate that's unfunded," said chairman of the board of commissioners Chris Christensen (R-District Two). "It's going to bring in some tourism probably, but it is going to bring in enough tourism to cover the pain of enforcement?" That remains to be seen.

He added, "A lot of people really want it, but there are some really sticky issues here: 12 year olds who don't know the rules of the road have access to it."

While townships may opt out of the ordinance beginning July 17, the county road commission may not close more than 30 percent of total linear miles of road to ORV.

ORV may not be operated on road or shoulder of state or federal highways in the county.

ORV riders must stay with the flow of traffic and ride only a half-hour after dark and a half-hour before sunset unless they have a head and tail light.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2010, ORV riders may ride at any hour of the day or night so long as they are equipped with a head and tail light.

Riders must wear a crash helmet and protective eye wear and drivers must be 16 unless within the direct supervision of an adult and has an ORV safety certificate.

Ordinance violations could be as steep as \$500.

Proponents of the ordinance say it cannot be passed to soon.

"I think it's going to be very positive," said Dave Galmore, owner of Galmore's Honda dealership in East Jordan. "Frankly, it's been a long time coming."

He added, "They let snowmo-

biles run around and they need to open the tourism part of this up for ATVs. Most customers that want to purchase ATVs talk about buying them but don't because they don't have any place to go."

Galmore said he understands the concerns of those who worry about vehicles on the road shoulder, but added that snowmobiles and bikes and walkers already occupy that space without creating an unreasonable hazard.

"A 12-year-old can take a riding course from the DNR and frankly they can ride a snowmobile by themselves," he said.

"Some people are very responsible and there are some irresponsible people out there."

Galmore added, "I don't have any concerns with it at all."

Charlevoix County Commissioner Bob Drebenstedt (R-District Five) said he feels any minor negatives with the new ordinance will be far outweighed by the positive impact of tourism, local sales of ORV and fees generated by enforcement.

"If that will keep another mom and pop business open selling sandwiches or gasoline or parts, I'm for it, because we need as much money here as is legally possible," he said.

"If people use logical sense and obey the laws of the highway I don't think we'll have any increase in accidents."

Galmore echoed Drebenstedt's sentiments and added that many of his potential customers say they would like to buy, but are concerned about where they can ride.

"I think I'd see an increase in both sales and simple foot traffic from people," he said. "If you talk to the people in businesses in Grayling that have a trail system close to them, they'd say they get people that come from down state just to ride. I've had four separate people I've talked to say if they could ride a four-wheeler all the way up to Mackinaw, they would."

Galmore added, "When snowmobilers do that they drive through all these towns and have to stop for fuel and stop to eat. It opens the door for people to move around and spend money."

Get your copy of the draft ordinance at the county's Website www.charlevoixcounty.org or from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the county clerk's office at 203 Antrim St. in Charlevoix.

What's happening at the Library this week?

Ask the Tech Guy
Thursday, March 5, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Bring your laptop and questions for assistance from the library's technology assistant, Roger Gowell.

Open Mic Night
Thursday, March 5, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

PAWS for a Story
Saturday, March 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 - 1:00 pm
Spend some time reading and cuddling with a loving dog at the library. Back by popular demand, our certified therapy dog, Matilda, will be on hand to share stories.

Internet Tricks
Tuesday, March 10, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Learn how to quickly find what you want on the Internet.

Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants - the Movie!
Tuesday, March 10, 3:30 pm
Based on Ann Brashers' best-selling novel about a group of four 16-year-old friends and a pair of jeans who are separated for the first time.

MS Publisher for the Beginner
March 10, 12 & 17, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Learn the basics of this Microsoft software application for making great flyers and brochures. Call NCMC to register, 348-6705, \$59 fee.

Ancestor Hunt Begins! with Carol Goodenough
Saturday, March 7, 10:00 - 4:30 pm
An introduction to genealogy and family history where attendees will learn different techniques on how to interview, research, and organize. Good for both beginner and novice researchers. \$20 fee, register @ 237-7340.

Teen Library Photography Contest
March 8 - 14
E-mail pictures of the Charlevoix Library with name, age, grade and title to laura@charlevoixlibrary.org. Winners will be posted on the Teen Lounge and featured on our website during National Library Week.

If you Want to Write? with Elaine Bleakney
Tuesday & Thursday, March 10 & 12, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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Weekly Events @ the Library
Story Time
Every Thursday @ 10:30 am
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Every Friday @ 3:00
Try out one of the new games. Need for Speed Underground II or Crash Bandicoot. Transmogrify or go back to the land and true of Outer Hero or DDR - the choice is yours!

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Every Monday @ 6:00 pm
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Third party hoped to settle contract

SCHOOL MONEY
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ence of mostly teachers that Charlevoix Public Schools are flush with cash; and the first of two Charlevoix Public Schools' sponsored budget forums, wherein Janik and his business manager told the audience that the schools will face between an \$800,000 and \$1 million deficit in the coming school year.

While MEA employee Walter Ochs, the UniServ union representative for Charlevoix Public Schools' teachers, said he would not bargain in the newspaper, he did parrot Janik's claim that both sides seek a fair and equitable solution.

"I don't believe we are that far apart," Ochs said. "Chet will present his issues to the mediator and I will present our issues to the mediator and we will attempt to get an agreement."

Both sides will be in separate rooms during mediation and the mediator will go back and forth between the rooms to discuss the issues with each side.

Neither side would put a dollar figure on how far apart they are in the negotiations.

"It's just a difference of opinion on compensation and employee benefits," Janik said. "How do we maintain our high academic standards and remain financially responsible?"

Ochs said his side has made some concessions.

"We had made movement and we are hoping that the board will recognize that," he said.

The teachers and support staff will continue to receive last year's contracted pay and benefits until a new contract can be finalized.

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OBITUARIES

Peter A. Gagne: January 9, 1926 - February 24, 2009

Peter A. Gagne, 83, died Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2009 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

No services are scheduled at this time.

He was born on Jan. 9, 1926 in Iron River, Michigan, the son of Joseph and Martha Gagne. Peter grew up in Iron River and graduated from Iron

River High School.

In 1948, he married Arlene Johnson.

She died on April 22, 2006.

During their 58 years of marriage, they raised two children in Mason, Michigan.

He was a self-employed general contractor.

He enjoyed reading and dining.

Peter is survived by two children, Barbara (Bryan) Noirot of Charlevoix and Christopher Gagne of Chicago, Illinois;

one granddaughter, Jacqueline Noirot of Charlevoix; 13 nieces and nephews; numerous great nieces and nephews; as well as the loving staff at Grandvue Medical Care Facility who cared for him like a

second family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother and two sisters.

Memorials may be directed to Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

OBITUARY PLACEMENT for Wednesday publication contact us by Friday before noon

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BAIRD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Kessler Road Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Pastor: Michael Mauser 576-2161	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 203 E. Upright Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Michael Arg 547-4221
BELLFLOWER REFORMED CHURCH 8011 Church Road, Ellsworth Worship 10:00 a.m. Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH M-66, across from Post Office Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Church Office 547-4121
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BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 65855 M-66 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: James D. Green 547-4300	FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 1018 State St. • St. Joseph Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Office 547-9122
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CHRISTINA ROHN
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

If you have a CertifiCheck gift certificate you've been saving up to use in downtown Petoskey or Charlevoix — you're out of luck.

As of Friday, Feb. 27, chamber-member businesses in both towns are no longer accepting these redeemable certificates.

Carlin Smith, executive director of the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, said, on Friday, his office found out through a chamber member that CertifiChecks, Inc. — a company they've been doing business with for nearly 8 years — had ceased operations.

According to CertifiChecks Web site, www.certifichecks.com, effective Thursday, Feb. 26, the company is no longer doing business and is currently in the process of filing Chapter 7 bankruptcy in Dayton, Ohio. CertifiChecks, Inc., cites an "extremely difficult economic

environment" as the reasoning behind its closing.

The company advises those with gift certificates to not attempt to deposit them in a bank because they will be returned.

They also tell customers that if they have a CertifiCheck, they can submit it for potential reimbursement to the following address: CertifiChecks, Inc.; Attn: Redemption Dept.; P.O. Box 13603; Dayton, Ohio, 45413.

Smith said, during the month of January, the Petoskey chamber sold about \$1,250 worth of CertifiChecks to patrons for redemption at local chamber member businesses.

He said he is unsure, to date, how much of these have been redeemed.

Smith said, currently, the Petoskey chamber is sitting on around \$395 worth of CertifiChecks that its bought directly from the company.

"They didn't notify us," he

said. "To have some warning or heads up would have been nice so we could get a strategy in place."

Erin Bemis, executive director for the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce, said it has been with the company since 2000, and were shocked to hear the news.

"We were really surprised," she said. "It was an abrupt notification."

Smith said, today, he is meeting with the Michigan Association of Chamber Professionals to discuss the issue. He estimates that around a dozen chambers in Michigan have been affected by this situation.

"I know it's many chambers that have been impacted," he said.

Smith said the Petoskey chamber is currently consulting with its attorney, and has every intention of finding a solution that is acceptable for everyone involved.

"We're going to do all we

can to hold CertifiChecks accountable for our member and our residents," he said. "I hope that we can have some advice for people in the next couple of days, and have a strategy in place."

For more information, visit CertifiChecks Web site at www.certifichecks.com, or call (877) 770-4438.

The News-Review attempted to contact the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, but was unable to obtain any information from them before deadline. Harbor Springs and Boyne City chambers did not use CertifiChecks.



Cheer squad

JULIE WITTHOEF/NEWS-REVIEW

Beth Dising, a client of the Charlevoix Bergmann Center, races in the 50 meter snowshoe event Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Challenge Mountain Games in Boyne Falls as supporters cheer her on. About 18 clients from the center raced in downhill skiing and snowshoe events.

Official Notice CITY OF CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

The Board of Review for the City of Charlevoix will meet on Tuesday, March 3, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to review the Assessment Roll in the second floor conference room of City Hall, 270 State Street

The Board will receive any questions from the public concerning the Assessment Roll on Monday, March 9, 2009 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Tuesday, March 10, 2009, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; and on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

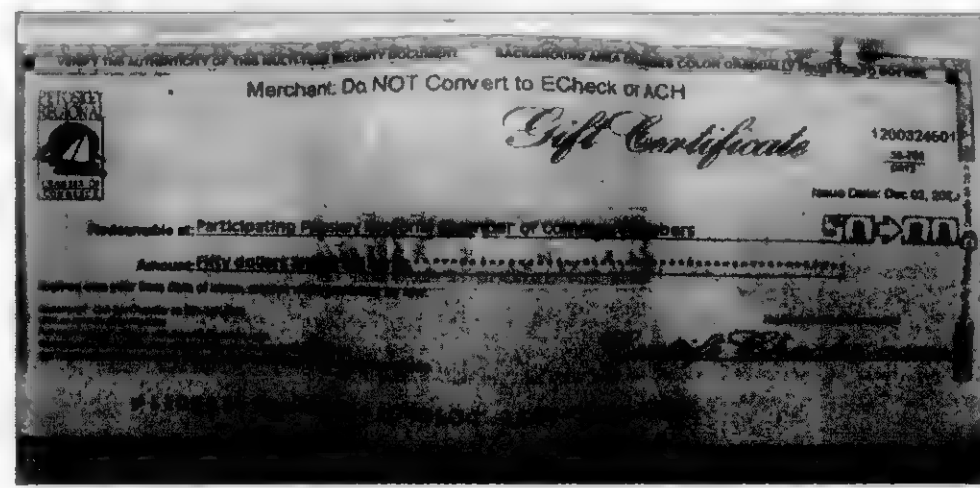
APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR MARCH 9, 10, AND 11 BY CALLING THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (231) 547-3250. PER RESOLUTION #93-02-01, LOCAL RESIDENTS MAY PETITION THE BOARD OF REVIEW BY LETTER.

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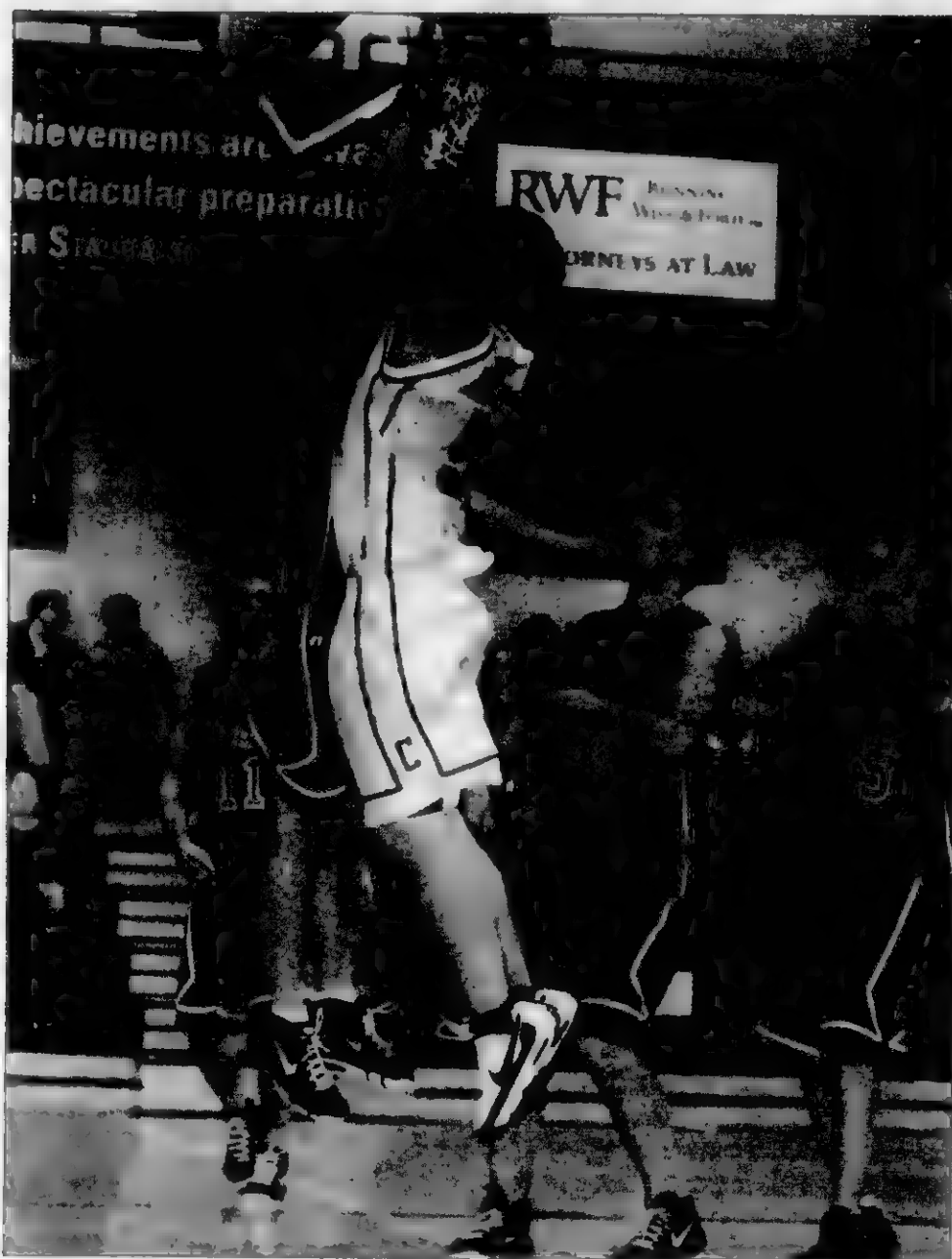
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Lake Michigan Conference



Charlevoix 74, Elk Rapids 33

Weston Bryan scored 20 points and Justin Friske added 13 Wednesday, Feb. 25 as Charlevoix maintained its share of first place in the Lake Michigan Conference boys' basketball race with a 74-33 win over Elk Rapids.

The Rayders, ranked fourth in the Associated Press Class C state poll, improved to 15-2 overall, 11-1 league. They share first place with Traverse City St. Francis, 17-1, 11-1, which topped Harbor Springs, 66-29, on Wednesday.

They Rayders streaked to a 47-18 halftime lead over Elk Rapids and never looked back. Clayton Mitchell had 10 points, and Tyler Jones and Bill Ivan added nine apiece for the Rayders. Jones also had 12 rebounds.

Charlevoix won the JV game, 83-50, as Dylan Putman scored 19 points.

Keegan LeBlanc scored 18 points and Matthew Dennis added 14 as the Rayders won the freshman game, 70-57.

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Even without Brock Yenglin, who was out with a broken hand from an accident at last week's practice, the Rayder varsity basketball team dominated Elk Rapids 74 to 33. The junior varsity did likewise with a score of 83 to 50. See more highlights of the game at www.MChrisLeese.com.

Wrestling

Charlevoix's Daman, Petoskey's Arthur, earn State Finals berths

Two area wrestlers, Petoskey's Kegan Arthur and Charlevoix's Zeke Daman, are headed to the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Arthur finished 3-1 to place third in the rugged 130-pound weight class Saturday at the Division II Individual Regional Tournament at Mount Pleasant High School. Arthur pinned Josh Freitas of Linden in 2 minutes, 6 seconds, to win the third-place match.

Daman went 2-1 to finish second at 125 in the Division IV regional at St. Ignace LaSalle High School, falling to Gavin Knight of Leroy Pine River, 6-4, in the championship.

The Individual State Finals are March 12-14 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

DIVISION IV

Charlevoix's Daman pinned Robin Taylor of Holton in 52 seconds to open the day, then defeated Jake Faber of Blanchard Montabellia, 7-5, to reach the final, where he fell to Pine River's Knight.

Daman who is ranked fifth at 125 in Division IV, takes a 42-5 record into the State Finals, while Knight, 25-6, is ranked seventh. Faber finished third, while Jordan Bosma of Hesperia, who is ranked third, finished fourth.

Charlevoix's Mat Golovich, a state medalist last season, finished 1-2 at 160 and failed to qualify for state.

Golovich was pinned by Hesperia's Malcom Martin in his opening bout in 5:30,

then defeated Chris Rush of Pine River, 5-0. Golovich then dropped a 6-5 decision to Kalkaska's Luke Gillespie, ending his season at 38-12.

Aaron Smith of Mio defeated Nick Schiavo of Iron Mountain, 6-0, to win the title, while Hesperia's Martin placed third, and Gillespie finished fourth. Martin is ranked No. 1 in Division IV, Smith is second, and Gillespie, sixth.

Steve Robinson was the lone Boyne City wrestler to win a match in the regional, and none of the Ramblers qualified for state.

Robinson, 215, opened with an 8-3 win over Travis Barton of St. Louis, then lost, 4-1, to eventual champ Josh Leonard of Onaway. Robinson then dropped his final match

to Steve Opsahl of Iron Mountain, 5-2, finishing the season 16-12.

Boyer's Drew Nohel, 160, and Marc Calo, 171, each finished 0-2.

Nohel was pinned in 1:15 by Hesperia's Daniel Yates, a two-time defending state champion who went on to easily win the weight class and improve to 57-0 on the year. Nohel then fell to Dennis Belson of Blanchard Montabellia, 9-7, in overtime, ending his season 19-6.

Calo opened with a 15-7 major decision loss to Justin Gordon of Frankfort, then fell to Alex Rubick of Manistiquet, 6-4. Calo finished 18-12. Gordon won the weight class with an 8-3 victory over Bruce Rohm of Frankfort.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Girls' basketball: Northmen hang on to beat Charlevoix

STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW SPORTS
WRITER

The Michigan High School Athletic Association girls' basketball tournament may not begin until next week.

Thursday's season finale for both Charlevoix and Petoskey had plenty of that March Madness atmosphere.

In what's become a fine rivalry over the past few seasons, Petoskey closed its regular season in style as it eked out a 45-44 non-league victory over the Rayders at the Charlevoix High School gym.

With the win, the Northmen close a 16-4 regular season for a second straight season and take a six-game win streak into their Class B district tournament opener Wednesday, March 4, at home against Roscommon.

"This game had a tournament kind of feel to it and it always does when we come down here," Petoskey coach Nelson Greener said. "(Charlevoix coach) Bret (Erskine) does a good job and his kids did a great job. It was a good game."

"It was back-and-forth, it was physical and it was basically whoever had the ball at the end was going to win it."

The game did come down to the closing seconds as Petoskey sophomore point guard Bernadette LeBlanc hit what proved to be the game-winning shot, a pull-up jumper in the lane from 10 feet, with 37 seconds to go. "Bernadette will step up when the game's on the line and that's a credit to her," Greener said. "She made a great move."

Charlevoix had a good chance to take the lead with 10 seconds to go, but a Meredith Rich's 10-foot shot from the baseline rimmed out and Petoskey's Anne Crittenden and Kristi Ellis battled for the rebound, which landed in the hands of LeBlanc, who called timeout with 7.7 seconds remaining.

"I told Anne and Kristi their

only job at the end was to rebound and to not give up a second chance and they did a great job of doing just that," Greener said.

On Petoskey's next possession, sophomore guard Holly Laver streaked past the Rayders' full-court pressure, but missed a layup attempt with 1.8 seconds to play.

Following a time-out, Charlevoix's Tammy Potter threw a full-court inbounds pass to Meredith Rich, who's heavily contested shot fell short at the buzzer.

"It was a good effort," Erskine said. "We had a chance to win it at the end a few times. We had an open three with a minute to go and we had a great pass at the end, but we just couldn't seem to get a call at the right time."

Charlevoix, which finishes the regular season 17-3, suffered its first loss in 13 games dating to their 64-41 setback at St. Ignace.

"I think we've come a long way since that game," Erskine said. "We just have some little things we can fix and I think we'll see a team like Petoskey again coming up."

Charlevoix trailed by as many as five points in the fourth quarter, but drew to within one, 43-42, as Ericka Faust nailed back-to-back 3-pointers in a 53-second span, and Rich scored on a steal and layup with 2:17 left to put the Rayders in front, 44-43.

"Ericka Faust came off the bench and nailed two big threes," Erskine said. "With about a minute to go, I wanted them to pull it back, pull it back and let Petoskey come after us, but we didn't do that."

For the Rayders, who earlier in the week wrapped up a perfect Lake Michigan Conference season at 14-0, Rich finished with nine points, while Faust, Sarah Potter and Tammy Potter added eight each.

Charlevoix will open Class C district play at 7 p.m. Monday, March 2, against East Jordan

at the East Jordan High School gym.

"It was what we needed for a tuneup for the districts and hopefully we can go far in the tournament," Erskine said. "It was a great physical game for us and

en of which came in the fourth quarter; LeBlanc added 11 points and three assists; sophomore forward Kerby Tamm finished with 10 points and five rebounds; and Ellis had six points.

"It's a big win for us going

Petoskey won the JV game, 42-20, to close a 15-5 season. For the Northmen, Madison Hooley had 10 points, Carrie Eggleston added nine, and Gabin Vandenberg and Maire Carmody had eight each. For Charlevoix, Jen-



Charlevoix's (from left) Sarah Potter, Olivia Catt and K.C. McCary and Petoskey's Kristi Ellis look on as Petoskey's Anne Crittenden (32) and Caitlin Ludlow (22) chase after a rebound during Thursday's non-conference contest at the Charlevoix High School gym. The Northmen defeated the Rayders, 45-44.

it was something we needed. I just wanted it to be a good game where both teams got a tournament like game. Neither team wanted to lose and I thought both teams played well. Hopefully, we can both go a long way in the tournament."

For Petoskey, Laver, finished with a game-high 12 points, sev-

into districts," Greener said. "We know Charlevoix is going to make some noise in their district and they should win their district and maybe even their regional."

"Our kids were pretty excited after this one. To come down here and beat a good Charlevoix team that's been building for awhile is big."

na Way had 13 points and Lynzie Gotshall added seven.

Petoskey won the freshman game, 33-30. For the Northmen, 6-14, Olivia Pizzi had 15 points and nine rebounds, Katelyn Crittenden added five points, seven rebounds and four steals. Lauren Bartling had 13 points to lead Charlevoix.

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Stupak encourages students to enter annual congressional art competition

With the Annual Congressional High School Arts Competition fast approaching, Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) urged high school students across

northern Michigan to demonstrate their artistic talents by submitting their artwork to represent Michigan's First Congressional District. The winner's entry is displayed

for a full year in the U.S. Capitol complex. The "An Artistic Discovery" competition is open to any art work created this school year by a high school student who

either resides in or attends school in the First District. "There is so much talent and enthusiasm among students in northern Michigan," Stupak said. "This is an ex-

cellent opportunity for high school students to showcase their work. I encourage any interested young artist to participate in this competition."

Entries are limited to original concepts done as drawings, collages, paintings, prints, computer graphics or photography. Entries reproduced from an existing photo, painting or any other work will not be accepted. Entries must be two dimensional and no larger than 30" x 30" and 4" deep, including frame. Larger entries will not be accepted.

The William Bonifas Fine Arts Center will once again coordinate the First District competition. All entries must be received by 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21, 2009. Entries will be on public display at

Bonifas' Alice Uren Powers Gallery March 25 through April 14, 2009. The "Best of Show" entry will be sent to Washington D.C. to be displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex.

Information on specific rules for preparing and submitting pieces of art should be available in local high school art departments as well as on Congressman Stupak's website at www.house.gov/stupak/. Information can also be obtained from the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center, located at 700 First Ave. South in Escanaba, by phone at (906) 786-3833, on its web site at www.bonifasarts.org, or by calling the staff in Stupak's Escanaba office at 1-800-950-7371.



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School budget under scrutiny Some dubious despite deficit claims

BENJAMIN GOHS

Despite claims by both the Charlevoix Public Schools' superintendent and business manager that a major deficit is pending, some citizens remain unconvinced.

During the first of two Charlevoix Schools budget forums at Charlevoix Middle School on Thursday, Feb. 26, Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik and the school district's business manager, Shawn Biddle, presented a group of nearly 60 with an overview of Charlevoix Schools' accomplishments in education, improvements planned and already implemented using the \$5.9 million bond as well as explaining the state of the school system's budget—to which several questions were raised concerning the accuracy of the budgeting process.

"They're saying they're looking at a deficit for the next year and this year and this fellow (Arch Lewis) who's an MEA fellow was saying this just isn't the case and that's why my wife

was asking these questions," said spouse of a Charlevoix Public Schools teacher John Murdick. "Can an outside person with no vested interest in the community come in and look at everything and give an honest assessment of what's really happening here. Is there really going to be a budget deficit?"

According to Biddle, even with the federal stimulus monies set to be doled to states, the schools are likely to receive the same per pupil funding as they did last year.

Estimated stimulus breakdown:

• Title I for special needs or at-risk education - \$177,749

• Education incentive grants funding which Biddle said she was unsure of the definition - \$29,000

• Stabilization funding to be used to stabilize general funds in danger of going into deficits - \$405,000

Some audience members at the forum had a tough time understanding how the school district's numbers could be so far off from the MEA's numbers.

"They're working without a contract so I view a lot of what's happening with these kinds of meetings as negotiations disguised as public forums," Murdick said. "I'm biased because my wife's a teacher, but I view this as ongoing negotiations. The teachers want to know because is this just a negotiating ploy by the administration and the board? If it's true then the teachers need to know that too. Everybody needs to be on the same page."

Another audience member read aloud an excerpt from the schools' July, 2007, audit by Baird, Cotter and Bishop, which stated that certain "significant deficiencies" were identified in internal control of financial reporting.

Biddle and Janik were asked how they could be certain their books were in order when the audit stated, "A significant deficiency is a control deficiency or combination of control deficiencies that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted

accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control."

However, said Biddle, the statement was taken out of context when one reads further in the audit.

"The relatively small number of people in the accounting functions of the district make it difficult to adequately segregate duties," the auditors stated. "We realize that it is not financially practical for the board to establish a larger accounting staff in order to implement proper segregation of duties and have taken measures of management oversight to help compensate for this limitation."

They further stated, "We believe that the significant deficiency described above is not a material weakness."

Murdick said he isn't one to make accusations, but he would like to see an independent, third party take a look at the books and determine whether the school

is truly facing an \$800,000 to \$1 million deficit next year or whether the MEA's figure of nearly \$900,000 in surplus is accurate.

"In a way it's kind of frustrating because if he's (Lewis) not telling a straight story then he's kind of monkeying up the works, but if the administration isn't telling the straight story, well, then I guess it's just how negotiations play," he said. "This area is a lot of conservative Republican people. I just feel there's going to be a sentiment in the community where the teachers should be lucky to have a job."

Murdick added, "I think it's wearing on the teachers, the morale ... they've been working the whole school year without a

contract." When asked if the school administration would meet with MEA officials to discuss the apparent discrepancies in their versions of the budget, Janik said he and Biddle have been trying since last summer to contact Lewis to no avail.

"I'd like to have somebody who's credible, not that the superintendent's not, but somebody that could back him up and say 'this is it.'"

The next Charlevoix Public Schools' budget forum is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4.

Copies of the schools' audit are available upon request by calling 547-3200.

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SYNOPSIS
FEBRUARY 25, 2009

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antism Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. All Commissioners were present.

Motion approved the minutes of the February 11, 2009 minutes as presented.

Motion approved the appointment of Sally Gilmore to the Commission on Aging Board to fill the remainder of a vacancy on the board.

Motion approved Resolution #09-017, Transit Contract Clauses, and authorizes Chairman Christopher Christensen to sign the acknowledgement of receipt for Charlevoix County Transit.

Motion approved Resolution #09-018, Council of Governments Contract Amendment, and authorizes the Chairman to sign said contract.

Motion approved Resolution #09-019, Regional Transit.

Motion approved Resolution #09-020, HVAC Study Proposal, and authorizes the Chairman be authorized to sign said proposal.

Motion approved Resolution #09-021, Employee of the Month Parking Space.

Motion approved Resolution #09-022, Tom Wolf Retirement.

Motion adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Cheryl Potter Browne, County Clerk

St. Patty's Day on Beaver Island Let the games begin

Beaver Island's Irish eyes will be smiling during its annual St. Patrick's Day celebration.

The AMVETS Post #46 Ladies Auxiliary is having a raffle for all the fixings of a corned beef dinner Friday, March 13. Tickets will be sold 5-7 p.m. at various pubs, with the drawing at 7 p.m. at The Shamrock. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

There will be cupcake decorating for kids preschool through sixth grade 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, March 13, at the community center.

The St. Patrick's Day games kick off at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 14. Outdoor events include the frozen fish toss and tug-of-war between the Hayseiders and Fishhookers, also known as the out-of-towners

and the locals. There will also be a Paddy Wagon race, which has been revamped with a few new activities.

There will be more festivities inside The Shamrock, including the fish stomp, mix and match relay style race, limbo contest and king and queen contest, where judges will choose the pair with the most talent and entertainment value, best jig, trivia question and costume.

New activities are back to back, where participants must stand up back to back from being seated on the floor, and panties in a knot, a game of skill where teams will work through obstacles with pantyhose and a weight.

The community center will have a baked potato bar set up throughout the day Saturday.

"Darby O'Gill and the Little People" Irish family film (rated G) will be shown at 3 p.m. Saturday at the community center. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students and children.

Bars and restaurants will be offering entertainment throughout the weekend as well, with the Doghouse Boo-

dlers at The Shamrock Friday and Saturday, Riggermortis at The Beachcomber Friday and Saturday, and Donegal Danny's and The Stony Acre Grill will have Island Soul Friday and Danny and Danny, Cindy Cushman and accordion music Saturday.

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The St. Patrick's Day games kick off at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 14.

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FAA reg' renders dollar dubious

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The \$1 enplanement fee recently approved by Charlevoix City Council and pending approval by the FAA may never get off the ground.

According to FAA regulations, isolated communities can be exempt from passenger fees if they meet certain criteria.

"Basically it means a remote location with a population under 10,000 and not connected by any roads can apply for exemption,"

said Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve West. "So, it could be a waste of time for the city to even apply for it."

Beaver Island's official U.S. Census numbers were nearly 550 when it was taken several years ago.

According to section 158.11 of the FAA code, a public agency may apply for an exclusion as West stated, or if they have fewer than 2,500 boardings annually.

Charlevoix City Manager Rob

Strabel said the city is aware of the clause, but since city council approved the 2009-2010 budget, the proposed enplanement fee must be sought unless an alternative is found.

"We are looking at some options for new revenue streams. And, whether city council decides to pursue the enplanement fee, at this point, is up to them," Strabel said.

The \$1 enplanement fee would be levied on all commercial flights originating from

Charlevoix Municipal Airport.

The approximately \$15,000 expected to be generated from the proposed fee would be used in conjunction with other monies to apply for grants from the federal government of up to \$1 million for airport improvements.

Various improvements could include work to runways, new lighting, security fences and expanded terminal to allow for a second airline to operate from

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. speaks to Rotary Club of Charlevoix Thursday, Feb. 26 on the state of the city and the proposed \$1 enplanement fee which could be levied on all commercial air flights from the municipal airport.

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Questions raised over collectibility of flight fee

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the airport.

"I believe this is an unnecessary tax that is aimed directly at Beaver Islanders and, given the regulations, I think it is highly unlikely that we'll be paying this extra fee," West said.

Strabel said he feels the city has taken a collaborative approach with Beaver Island residents.

"We are actively seeking other revenue possibilities at this point," he said. "If we can come

up with a solution that is in the best interest of the city, Beaver Island residents and both commuter companies, we will bring that forward to council and may be not pursue that enplanement fee."

West said the real key in this situation is, because Beaver Island is served by Charlevoix's airport, Charlevoix gets money it would not otherwise receive from the federal government.

"In the interest of us get-

ting along, Beaver Island helps Charlevoix and Charlevoix helps Beaver Island—we're in this together," he said. "But we are the reason that airport is as nice as it is and you pretty much can't come to Beaver Island without spending money in Charlevoix."

So far no dates have been set for a meeting or meetings between city officials and island residents and officials, but Strabel said the meetings will happen.

"We are still visiting with Island Airways and Fresh Air (Aviation) to see if they have any proposals that will suit everyone's needs," he said. "We would like to finalize some options before we make the trip to Beaver Island, but I can say it is both the mayor and my intent to go to Beaver Island as soon as we have some creative solutions to that problem."

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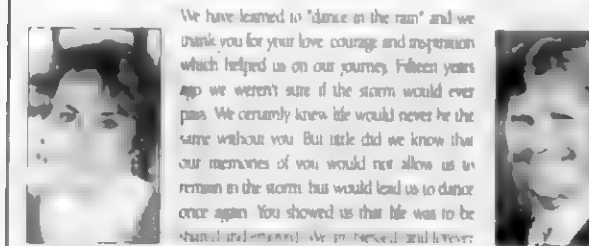
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MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Henry Hankins and Vicki Hankins, husband and wife of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgage to American General Financial Services (DE), Inc. dated the 23rd day of December, A.D. 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of December, A.D. 2006, in Liber 780, Page 377 of Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$188,357.51 (one hundred eighty-eight thousand three hundred fifty-seven and 51/100) plus accrued interest at 9.43% (nine point four three) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of March, A.D. 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows:

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan, on April 03, 2009.

Said premises are located in the Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Lee and Monica's First Addition to the Village of Talcott, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 50 of Plats, Charlevoix County Records.

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TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 25, 2009
Oriana Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 248-502-1400
ASAP# 2999870
(L-02/25/03/04/03/11/03/18)

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Beth Lynn Breidenstein, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated December 2, 2005 and recorded December 28, 2005 in Liber 723, Page 859, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Bank of America, National Association, as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MUM Trust Series 2006-WMCC2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirteen and 77/100 Dollars (\$238,313.77) including interest at 8.99% per annum.

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File No. 241-2649
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MORTGAGE SALE

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Dated: February 18, 2009
For more information, please call FCJ 248.593.1311
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Government Lot 3, Section
Town 32 North, Range 7 West

Dated: February 11, 2009

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Bolts show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarczyk and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

CHS art on display

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome, do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 51 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2565 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East 1st St. in Charlevoix. Saturday Night Alive: Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at. Call 547-4221 for more information. Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BM

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up

North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society museum

Winter hours: The museum is closed January and February. The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

A statewide writing contest celebrating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday

Deadline is April 4. Full details are available at www.milcoln.org. The essay themes are broken out into two categories. Grades 5-6: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (What President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Mean to Me). Grades 7-8 and 9-12: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (How President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Inspire Me Today). For more information, contact the Michigan Commandery at (616) 827-3369 or patriotblue1@yahoo.com. All entries must be postmarked by April 4, 2009 and mailed to: Lincoln Bicentennial Essays, MOLLUS Michigan Commandery, P.O. Box 888281, Grand Rapids, MI 49588. East Jordan men's fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conservation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

Books with a Bite: The Warrior Series, by Ena Hunter, 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., March 3. The traditional tween book discussion for grades 5 through 7. Come for games, crafts and snacks and don't forget to read any of the titles in the Warrior Series beforehand.

That's Outrageous! with Fred Gray, 7 p.m., March 3. Meet local newspaper columnist, Fred Gray and hear about his incredible career in northern Michigan through excerpts from his new book.

Open Mic Night, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., March 5. Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share. Ancestor Hunt Begins! with Carol Goodenough, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., March 7. An introduction to genealogy and family history where attendees will learn how to: find family information, interview and correspond with relatives, research hometowns, and organize research. Pre-register at 237-7340.

Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers. Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday.

MARCH RED CROSS CLASSES

The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan, based out of Petoskey, but covering Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties, will be offering a number of health and safety and preparedness classes during the month of March. For a complete listing of these classes, please read on below, call their offices at 348-7666 or visit www.aarcnmi.org.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series.

Conservation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call

347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule: March 5 - Exploring Northern Michigan Rivers March 12 - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail mhines@cah.org.

MARCH 4

State of the School forum. Chet Janik will host the state of the school forums at 6:30 p.m. in the middle school large group room.

Topics include: The quality of the academic programs. The impact of 2008 bond projects.

The May 5 non-homestead tax renewal request. The 2009-10 Budget Challenges. Public is welcome.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans. At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air mov-

ies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including A Simple Plan on March 5, La Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion

Economic meltdown, Bernie Madoff, off-shoring, sub-prime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college?

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The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion. The following programs begin at 2 p.m.:

March 8 - "Elasticity" and "The Labor Market and Wages" March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

St. Mary fish fry March 6, 20 and 27

Come dine on fried or baked fish, fries or baked potatoes, coleslaw, lemonade, coffee or water and desert for \$8. Children's mac and cheese dinner for \$4. From 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. each night.

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays

Healing H'Arts - now through April 5

Introduction to Egg Tempera with Doug Racich - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 7

Figure in Clay with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 14

Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18

Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16

MARCH 3, 5

Little League

The Charlevoix Little League will be having registration for boys and girls, ages 7 to 14 for the upcoming season. Your

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child must be 7 before April 30, 2009, to be eligible for Little League due to new age requirements adopted by Little League International prior to the 2006 season. Registration is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Charlevoix Middle School cafeteria on March 3 and March 5; \$45.00 per child. Family discounts available. Registration cutoff is April 1. \$15 late fee for late registrants. Kids new to the program must have a copy of birth certificate. Call Todd Klinger at (231) 437-3035 for more information.

MARCH 6

Poetry

From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., March 6, at the Charlevoix Circle of the Arts the poetry of John Albers will be featured.

MARCH 12

Blood drive

From noon until 5:45 at Bethany Lutheran Church, 11906 US 31 North. Call (800) GIVE-LIFE for information.

MARCH 18

Nursery open house

The East Jordan Co-op open house is from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the elementary school 304 Fourth St. in East Jordan. Cost is \$25. Call (231) 536-0353 or 536-7005 to register or for more information.

Application deadline for Great Lakes concerto competition.

The Charles F. Davis Concerto Competition, available to students of piano, winds, brass, percussion and strings, between the ages of 14 and 19, residing in northern Michigan and attending schools located between the 45th Parallel and the Straits of Mackinac, is May 16 at the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix.

Call 487-0010 for an application. Cost is \$15. Deadline is 5 p.m., March 5. Mail applications to Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra office, 438 East Lake St., Petoskey. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Congressional High School Arts Competition open to high school students across northern Michigan. The "An Artistic Discovery" competition is open to any art work created this school year by a high school student who either resides in or attends school in the First Congressional District.

Entries are limited to original concepts done as drawings, collages, paintings, prints, computer graphics or photography. Entries reproduced from an existing photo, painting or any other work will not be accepted.

Entries must be two dimensional and no larger than 30 inches by x 30 inches and four inches deep including the frame.

All entries must be received by 3 p.m., March 21. Entries will be on public display at Bonifas' Alice Uren Powers Gallery March 25 through April 14.

The "Best of Show" entry will be sent to Washington D.C. to be displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex.

For more information, call (906) 786-3833 or visit www.bonifasarts.org.

MARCH 31 THROUGH MAY 26

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m. March 31 - "Kiss your Gas Goodbye - Living Well in the New Economy" from Richard Heimberg, America's foremost Peak Oil Educator. An informative look at energy transitions, substitution, and economic re-localization.

April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours - A Plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

May 26 - The COOLFUEL Roadtrip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great Family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Australian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered car and go bio-powered drag racing.

APRIL 11 THROUGH MAY 31

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APRIL 16, 18

NWA Kindergarten round-up

From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 16 at Northwest Academy of Charlevoix, 115 West Hurbit. St., there will be a Kindergarten round-up for parents to enroll their student or get more information about the school. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 18, there will be a K-12 open house

for enrollment for all students. Call 547-9000 for more information.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can

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Bergmann Center seeks

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights.

Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational

Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

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Big Grin at Mt. McSauba

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Pictured is the pro snowboard team that helped with demos and clinics at the Big Grin 2 this past weekend,
March 7 and 8 at Mt. McSauba. The Revolution Mfg. Factory Team from Orem, Utah are (from left) Team cap-
tain Jon Mon, Aaron Christiansen, Ron Yerrick, Sam Chulick from Charlevoix, Eric Long, John Curtis from
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Airport expansion plan.With \$98,230 in matching
grants from the Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA) and
an architect working up a plan
of attack, city officials hope to
have construction complete by
summer, 2010."We are looking at designing
and constructing additions to
the municipal airport that not
only create more counter space
for commercial charter com-
panies, but also create more
office space and general public
space for use in the terminal,"
said Charlevoix City Manager
Rob Straebel. "At this point,
Island Airways is the onlycharter service that's located
within the terminal."Both Straebel and Charlevoix
Municipal airport manager
Matt Bailey feel the expan-
sion will offer a "level playing
field" to charter services cur-
rently off site like Fresh Air
Aviation."I think it will create overall
amenities at the airport which
will create an even more at-
tractive facility," Straebel said.
"We're looking at possibly cre-
ating meeting space for small
conventions or possibly even
locating a diner or some type
of restaurant/bar facility within
the expanded improvements."Improvements will also
include updating lighting to
LED which are more energy
efficient, new security fencing.

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Second school budget forum heated

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITORA surprise guest and point
ed questions from the public
highlighted the Charlevoix
schools second budget forum.Those asking for a meeting
between school administration
and MEA financial analyst
Arch Lewis finally got their
wish."I understand that Chet's
been trying to get a hold of
me ... since April," Lewis said
in response to claims that
Charlevoix Public Schools
Superintendent Chet Janik and
Charlevoix Public SchoolsBusiness Manager Shawn
Biddle had been trying to con-
tact him on his version of the
schools' finances and the ap-
parent discrepancy between
both sides' numbers. "The
FID (financial summary) re-
port showed the cash balances
for the last five years. In 2008
just in the general fund you
see it \$373,000 in cash at the
end of the year ... and you see
\$2,732,263 in investments and
then there's also receivables
that you have from the state."
Biddle responded that in-
vestments are not counted as
cash on hand in the general

fund.

"The purpose of that slide
in my slide show I gave to the
community I actually gave the
working capital for all those
months and how much was
payable. And the whole idea
was that the district has a lot
of cash to meet its obliga-
tions," Lewis told Biddle dur-
ing the meeting.Audience member John Ja-
rema asked how there could
exist such a disparity between
Lewis' financial picture and
Biddle's budget."The MEA is saying you
have a \$900,000 surplus andyour saying you have a \$1
million deficit," he said. "I
want to know who's right. I
want somebody to explain
how you could have roughly a
\$2 million difference."Biddle said the difference
was closer to \$1.2 million.
"Our funding is based on
\$8,424 per pupil, roughly \$10
million. When we started the
budget process way back last
December when I calculated
looked at the taxable value
I had to do a projection and
I projected that to be high

See BUDGET, page 24



COURTESY PHOTO

Audience member Mark Snyder (left) is seen here in
a heated discussion with MEA financial analyst Arch
Lewis following the second of two Charlevoix Public
Schools' budget forums on Wednesday, March 4.CHARLEVOIX MI 49720-1325
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BIRTHS

Maxwell Richard Drenth weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces was born March 1 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Douglas and Patricia Drenth of Charlevoix. His grandparents are Anne and the late Richard Kelly and the late Robert and Maxine Drenth, all of Charlevoix.

Madeline Grace Cunningham weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces was born March 4 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Michael and Denise Cunningham of Charlevoix. Her siblings are Richie and Katie. Her grandparents are Duane "Dewey" Arnold of East Jordan and Leslie and Bennett Cunningham of Charlevoix. Her great-grandparent is Jessie Cunningham of Charlevoix.

Keira Lisa Lamp weighing 7 pounds, 6 ounces was born March 3 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Shaun and Laura Lamp of Petoskey. Her siblings are Brady. Her grandparents are Malcolm and Brenda Lamp, Roger and Denise Wenzel all of Rogers City and Jerry Hentkowski of Posen.

Kali Renee Stabb weighing 8 pounds 2 ounces was born Feb. 25 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Courtney Stabb of Boyne City. Her grandparents are Julie Stabb of Boyne City and Vic Stabb of California. Her great-grandparent is Vi

Deaths of Boyne City

Mae Elizabeth Evans was born to Mike and Kristen Evans of Allendale on March 4. Mae weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Ed and Marlene Evans of Charlevoix and Jeff and Donna Golden of Holland. Great-grandparents are Rhoda Evans of Gaylord and Pat Golden of Holland.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Lisa Marie Mosley, 28, Boyne City. Larceny more than \$200, but less than \$1,000.

Tanya Lynn Washburn, 29, Vanderbilt. No operator license on person. Credit for three days in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve seven days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$780 in fines and costs.

Sieve Alan Wheeler, 37, East Jordan. Motor vehicle without security. Pay \$400 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Bryan Wayne Kerridge, 34, Boyne City. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day

in jail; 334 days held in abeyance; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve two years on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

Shandon Earl Williams, 19, Boyne City. Minor in possession, second offense. To attend BASES; \$200 in fines and costs.

Adrian Jeffrey Smith, 18, Boyne Falls. Minor in possession, second offense. To attend BASES; \$200 in fines and costs.

Antonio Joseph Hartle, 46, Charlevoix. Disorderly person/drunken. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Dominique Michael Halpin, 19, Beaver Island. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs.

Michael Edward Shuman, 30, Charlevoix. Motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$315 or serve 15 days in jail.

Gunther Richard Fine-out, 36, Petoskey. Operator without license for three years. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Lisa Renee Snyder, 32, East Jordan. Unlawful use of license plate. Pay \$150 in fines and costs.

Personal Injury

Sheriff W. D. Schneider advises at 1:04 p.m. on March 4 at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to the area of U.S. 31 South and Old U.S. 31 for a two car injury accident.

Kevin Deming, 50 years old from Boyne City, was at tempting to turn his Chevy S-10 pickup North onto U.S. 31 from Bells Bay Road in Charlevoix Township when he collided with a Chevy Malibu that was Northbound on U.S. 31 driven by Tabitha Holbrook, 23 years old of Petoskey who

was transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital with minor injuries.

Deming was not injured and stated he didn't see the Northbound vehicle. Alcohol was not a factor in the crash. U.S. 31 South was closed for approximately 30 minutes.

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School board meeting

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education during their March 9 regular meeting.

Item: Trimesters

In brief: Board publicly stated their support of trimesters instead of semesters for the public schools. This item must be negotiated through the teachers' union contract before it could go forward.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Contract negotiations

In brief: A mediation date of April 22 has been set for the board of education and the teachers of Charlevoix Public Schools in an attempt to work out differences over the contract which lapsed in August, 2008.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Superintendent evaluation

In brief: Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent

Chet Janik received a favorable evaluation from the board of education and his contract was extended for another three years.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Non-bargaining contract renewals

In brief: Non-union employees including principals, business and personnel, the technology director and career counselor all had their contracts renewed

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Auditorium request

In brief: The Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix requested use of the school's auditorium.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Bus driver

In brief: Bob Houghton was recommended to take a position as a bus driver.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Red Cross blood drives

• Noon to 5:45 p.m., March 12 at Bethany Lutheran Church, 11906 US 31 North

• 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., March 23 at Concord Academy, 00401 East Dietz Road in Boyne City

• 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., March 25 at Boyne Falls School, 01662 M-75 South in Boyne Falls

• Noon to 5:45 p.m., April 7 at the East Jordan Civic Center, 101 Civic Center Lane in East Jordan

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., April 9 at Charlevoix High School, 5200 Marion Center Road

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Charlevoix Chamber to honor CertifiChecks

After much discussion, feedback and research, the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce is announcing that they will continue to honor CertifiChecks through their expiration.

"It is not the fault of our local business owners, nor our consumers that CertifiChecks closed its door. Why should they bear the brunt of the responsibility? We are choosing to honor these CertifiChecks to continue to promote the original intent of the program, to shop local."

CertifiChecks Inc. posted a message on their website, www.certifichecks.com, Thursday, Feb. 26 stating they had ceased operations effective immediately, due to an "extremely difficult economic environment." It is our understanding they are currently in the process of filing Chapter 7 bankruptcy in Dayton, Ohio.

The company advises those with gift certificates to not attempt to deposit them in a bank because they will be returned. Not so much in Charlevoix. Instead of merchants depositing them in the bank like a check, they will bring them to the Chamber and we will reimburse them.

"The original intent of the program was to keep dollars circulating in our own community. The Charlevoix Chamber wants to see this continue."

Our Board of Directors feels very strongly that this is the right decision to make on behalf of both our membership and community members who may be in possession of a CertifiCheck."

Says Erin Bemis, Executive Director of the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce.

"An unbelievable amount of information has been travelling

via email and phones over the course of the last week. There were so many questions, many still without answers, it was a great benefit to have open communications with other Chamber executives around the state and beyond."

One significant thing of note... CertifiChecks purchased at the Charlevoix Chamber are only good at participating Charlevoix Chamber Members. You can not pass them through another community.

For more information, call the Charlevoix Chamber at 231-547-2101.

What does this mean if I am a member of the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce?

"An unbelievable amount of information has been travelling

Here are answers to some of the most common questions.

Q: I am a retailer. Do I or don't I accept CertifiChecks?
A: YES! You may accept them as payment. However, DO NOT deposit them in the bank as you have in the past. Return the check(s) to the Chamber of Commerce, and you will be reimbursed.

Q: How will I be paid if I accept these as payment?
A: When you return them to the Chamber of Commerce, we will make a copy, and date it for your records. We will cut checks to you the first Friday of the month for reimbursement.

Q: Can I accept CertifiChecks from other Chambers of Commerce?
A: NO! All sales are ceased

Q: Can a consumer bring their CertifiCheck to the Chamber in exchange for cash?
A: NO! The intent of the program is to promote consumer spending in Charlevoix, and we wish that to continue. The Chamber will not reimburse anyone but our members.

Q: Is there an expiration on CertifiChecks?
A: YES! There is a date on the CertifiChecks. Be sure to check this before accepting as payment. They are good for one year from date of issue

Q: As a merchant, do I have to accept CertifiChecks as payment for goods or services?
A: No. It is your choice as a retailer whether or not to accept CertifiChecks as payment, however we suggest you do to maintain favorable consumer relations

Suffrage, prohibition and manned flights Centenarian has seen it all

BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

She was 11 when women won the right to vote.

Born March 16, 1909, in southern Michigan, Helen Campbell has seen more than her fair share of history unfold.

"I remember saying to my husband one time, 'I don't know if I want to vote anymore, I don't know the people' and he said 'You better vote; you don't know how hard those women worked to get that vote,'" Helen said. "And, believe me, I still vote."

Helen had one son, John Campbell, a local landscape design firm owner.

"She and my father moved up here about 28 years ago from the Grand Rapids area where she lived the majority of her life," John said. "They moved up here to be close to family and grandchildren and now great-grandchildren."

He added, "She reads and takes pretty good care of herself and speaks to her grandchildren a lot and was a pretty good artist primarily in watercolors and was also a beautiful seamstress."

John and his wife and children will celebrate Helen's 100th year of life from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 14 at the Lodge

water meeting room.

"All of her grandchildren will be here from the east coast and the west coast and one from Charlevoix," he said. "She is a member of the Congregational church and also she was an active member of the PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization), an organization she was a member of for years and years and years."

John added, "I guess her good health is attributable to the medical care here in Charlevoix, the respite program, the hospital, the commission on aging and the health department ... allows her to live in her home."

But, according to Helen, she has another secret for her longevity.

"Always look forward to an-

other day," she said. "I'm going to try to make it to 200."

According to John, Helen at tended school with former president of the United States Gerald Ford.

However, Helen said, her biggest accomplishment was getting to watch her grandchildren grow.

"Oh my, I used to take rides in sleds with one horse pulling it. That was the most wonderful thing; I've seen so many things it doesn't seem possible—I've taken trips by airplane and I hope to go up in a balloon for a ride this spring," she said. "But, seeing all my grandchildren graduate from college, that's one of the best things in my life."

Helen has six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. "She enjoys life," John said.

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Best of the bowl

Charlevoix High School quiz bowl team members (from left) Connor Boss, Karinne Smolenyak, Hallie Bills and Katie Mays secured the Class C championship in the latest round of the Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl.

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

FERRIS HONORS

Ferris State University officials have announced that 3,549 students received Academic Honors for the semester that ended in December 2008 at Ferris State University, Kendall College of Art and Design. Among the students honored were:

Charlevoix: Meredith Henry, Samantha Keie, Sheryl Kirby, Michael Nachazel, and Ryan Seelie. Boyne City: Tyler Barv, Louise McCloskey, Jen-

nifer Mott, Tyler Price, Cheryl Stackus, and Lyndsay Tomkins; East Jordan: Brandon Folsom, Nathan Hartman, and Carol Hillaker.

Ferris Grad: Samantha Keie of Charlevoix recently graduated with a BFA in ID-Interior Design from Ferris State University in December 2008.

ANDERSON U.

The 2009 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and

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BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

Thanks to SeaPorts Great Lakes, a 137-foot, three masted schooner is coming to Charlevoix.

In addition to the mighty S/V Denis Sullivan, a recreation of 19th Century cargo schooners which sails out of Milwaukee, Wisc., SeaPorts is bringing the Great Lakes

School ship, a 77-foot schooner named Inland Seas and will likely host a class on building old-fashioned timber framed structures.

"We would like to get all

local youth involved, and anyone interested in preserving our maritime heritage, involved with us," said SeaPorts Great Lakes board member and educational program director Gary Stutzman. "There is a group of people that have secured the lighthouse on the end of the pier. We would like to see possibly a lighthouse district happen where we could create maybe—my vision is a mystic seaport kind of setting—where we put up this timber frame building that will become a boat assembly building."

SeaPorts Great Lakes is a nonprofit organization founded to promote the maritime heritage in the area.

Organizers said a lakeside gem like Charlevoix is only made better when its maritime heritage is celebrated and taught.

While the timber framing class has yet to be finalized, it will include instruction on the proper techniques to build a heavy-duty timber frame suitable for a barn, storage facility or small boathouse.

SeaPorts, in cooperation with Charlevoix City officials, has secured space on the north side of the old DNR fish hatchery at Lake Michigan Beach, a site where they someday hope to begin construction on their own boats.

"It's huge, it's like two football fields," Stutzman said. "The city is working in chorus with us and the DNR and the corp. of engineers (Army)—a whole lot of paperwork has been done to create that spot." He added, "If that area became a lighthouse district, it could really be an amazing area for a small boat assembly building and other programs to benefit our youth."

SeaPorts board member Bob Schofield said the art of traditional boat building, Great Lakes exploration, the science of the Great Lakes and sailing is a vital piece of this area's history.

"When she (Niagara) was in last year and her spar was sticking way above the hills, it's an eye-opener," he said. "During the build process of the Welcome ... that boat was drawing so much attention by people wanting to watch this boat being built that they were unhappy the day she was launched because she drew more attention while she was being built."

Stutzman added, "This (Niagara) is a boat that can go anywhere in the world and they said they want to come back here because our port is so nice—they didn't even know it was here. They got here by happenstance."

Schofield said, a former

boat builder, it is an awesome sight to raise a ship from timbers on the ground to a finished vessel sailing the Great Lakes.

On May 29, 30, 31 and June 1, the Denis Sullivan will offer educational day trips which promote awareness of tall ships and help teach maritime heritage in addition to focusing on the importance of a healthy fresh water source.

On June 28 and 29, Inland Seas will travel from Charlevoix to Suttons Bay while teaching scientific research to students aboard. The trip will culminate in a presentation of what the student learned on their trip.

July 1 and 2, educational day trips for families will be offered. Participate in scientific studies of the area's inland waters.

Schools are asked to contribute \$10 per student and educator who wish to ride the vessels as the cost of the full day is \$3,000; a half-day costs \$1,500.

SeaPorts Great Lakes is seeking grants and donations to help offset the cost of these programs.

Call Stutzman at 547-9000 for more information. Visit www.charlevoixchallenge.org for more information.



COURTESY PHOTO

SeaPorts Great Lakes board member Gary Stutzman is seen here on the deck of the 137-foot schooner Denis Sullivan. Stutzman and SeaPorts are working to bring several tall ships and other programs to Charlevoix in order to educate youth on the importance of the area's maritime heritage.

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OBITUARIES

George D. Hamlin: December 7, 1929 - March 5, 2009

George Daniel Hamlin, 79, of Charlevoix, died Thursday, March 5, 2009, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey. A Funeral Mass will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, at Saint Francis Xavier Church in Petoskey with the Reverend Dennis Stillwell officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 2-4, and 6-8 p.m. at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix where the Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. and at Saint Francis Xavier Church. Burial will take place in the spring at

the Undine Cemetery in Hayes Township. George was born December 7, 1929, in Hayes Township to Loren and Helen (Haggerty) Hamlin. He attended Charlevoix High School and graduated



Hamlin

from Saint Joseph Seminary in Grand Rapids. He then attended the Seminary of Philosophy in Montreal, Quebec. George served in the US Air Force from 1955-57. On October 15, 1966, he married the former Doris A. Wright of Vanderbilt in Charlevoix. They made their home in Hayes Township where George was a lifetime resident and farmer. George enjoyed gardening, raising chickens and beekeeping. He loved his grandchildren and spending time with them. George is survived by his wife,

Doris; daughters, Ann (Chuck) Kellogg of Charlevoix, and Helen (Carson) Mantooth of Holland; grandchildren, Corey, Maggie, Anna, and Lilly; brother, Martin (Sue) Hamlin of Traverse City; sister-in-law, Louise Hamlin of Charlevoix, many nieces and nephews. George's parents, sister Jean Purvis, and brothers Loren "Jim", and Tom preceded him in death. Memorial gifts may be directed to the family of George Hamlin at the Bay Winds Federal Credit Union.

Arts patron Cyg Riley dies

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

Cygred Riley, a long-time patron of the arts, community supporter and founder of the Portside Arts Fair and East Jordan Historical Society died Tuesday at the age of 84.

Current Portside organizing committee member Kim Prebble said Riley, along with Doris Huckle, organized the first Portside Art Fair in 1962.

"She had a connection with an artist group in Detroit and wanted to bring a fair to Northern Michigan," Prebble said.

For the first few years the show took place in Memorial Park. It then moved to the Towns Park. It moved to its current home at Elm Pointe in the early 1970s after George Westgate gave the estate to the City of East Jordan

in 1972.

The main floor of the lodge at the Elm Pointe has since become the East Jordan Portside Art and Historical Museum. Another building on the site has become the Cyg Riley Art Gallery, which is filled with art pieces that the have received the fair's "Purchase Prize" since 1971.

Today the fair brings in about 80 artists and 2,600 guests each year.

Prebble said she joined the volunteer group which runs the fair shortly before Riley and the group of women who were then running the fair (some since its inception) turned over the reins around 1985.

"She and her group of ladies that were involved in the committee felt the time had come to turn it over. So, the met with one

day and said, 'We're retiring.' And it was now going to be up to us."

Prebble described Riley as strong-willed and "feisty," especially when it came to things involving the fair or the historical society.

Long-time friend and recently-retired county sheriff George T. Lasater, agreed saying she had a "type-A personality."

"She gave you her marching orders and you saluted and did it," Lasater said. "You didn't say 'no' to Mrs. Riley."

Lasater said he developed a long-lasting friendship with Riley her late husband Bret around the time he became sheriff 32 years ago.

He described her as an avid reader and staunch advocate for the East Jordan area.

"She was a walking chamber of

commerce," Lasater said.

Lasater said in recent years Riley had been living at a care facility, but he still made weekly visits with her, as recently as a few days before her death.

He said Riley was really hoping to live to 100 — which she would have turned on June 24.

"She's somewhat of a legend," Lasater said.

Prebble agreed saying that Riley's legacy is a big part of what motivates current committee members to forge on, even when faced with difficult economic times.

"We feel a responsibility to keep it going," Prebble said.

Lasater said Riley's family has asked him to organize a memorial service for Riley which will take place around the time of her birthday at Elm Pointe.

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Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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Pastor: Reverend Arne Karhoff

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58515 M-66
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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104 State Street
Worship 10:00 a.m.
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Sunday Holy Communion 10:00 a.m.
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Wednesday Morning 10:30 a.m.
Katharine A. Korte 547-4322

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6429 N. M-66
Sunday Sacraments 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Primordial & Relief Society 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Young Men/Women
President: Michael Robbins 588-2112
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12023 Waller Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31)
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5711

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD
242 W. Huron
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Rev. Carl Albin 488-7861

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Corner of Elm & Park • Ellsworth
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 588-2455

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201 E. Upright
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Michael Arp 547-4221

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M-66 across from Post Office
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Church Office: 547-4121

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Worship & Children's Worship 9:00 a.m.

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191 State St. (at Park Ave.)
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Tuesday 10:15 a.m.
Church Office: 547-9122

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12705 U.S. 31
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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6744 Old U.S. 31 North
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Pastor: Rev. Cade Allen 547-3899

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Old U.S. 31 North
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Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
Pastor: Timothy Wright 547-9262

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Pastor: Harold E. Kruse 599-2372

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Doctor builds hope through 'Pass the Positive' campaign

Keep your chin up

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

You've heard of mass hysteria in one form or another—witch hunts, mob rule, baseless panic—but what about mass hope?

The idea that you can change the world with one smile, one kind word, one small act of decency is the basis behind Dr. Rick Randall's "Pass the Positive" campaign.

"I was trying to get a project going and I kept meeting all this negativity and I started to get down and it just kind of hit me: if negative thinking breeds negative thinking, then positive thinking can breed positive thinking," Randall said. "Too often we let the few negatives in our life overtake the many positives."

Determined to do his part to

make the world a better place, Randall took his idea to his business partner Tim Paczesny and the two developed the idea for the Pass the Positive silicone bracelet.

The simple one-size-fits-all bracelets come in more than a dozen assorted colors, cost \$2 including tax and read: "Pass the Positive."

Randall and Paczesny explained that their trinkets were designed to be a low-cost, portable way to brighten a dark spot in somebody's life.

"I envision people buying a few of these and keeping them in case they see someone who's having a rough day and give them one," Randall said. "You are the editor of your thoughts; they show up everywhere. You can take

negative thinking and turn it around."

He added, "There's a saying that goes, 'You don't drown when you fall in water, you drown if you stay there.'"

Paczesny said Pass the Positive is about the message, not the bracelets.

"I think you can change the world and make it a more positive place," he said. "This is just a small thing that reminds me to tell my wife that she looks good or tell the kids to have a good day at school."

Randall added, "Everyone inevitably gets caught up with worrisome thoughts and it's

our responsibility to help each other out. You never know when your light is going to brighten someone's day."

Pass the Positive bracelets are available for purchase at Charlevoix Wear, Gallery 7 & 4 and Charlevoix Courier in downtown Charlevoix.

Randall and Paczesny are currently working on a Web site: www.passpositive.com; and invite others to join their mission.

Contact them at tim@educationoutdoors.net for more information or send your positive story for inclusion on the Web site.

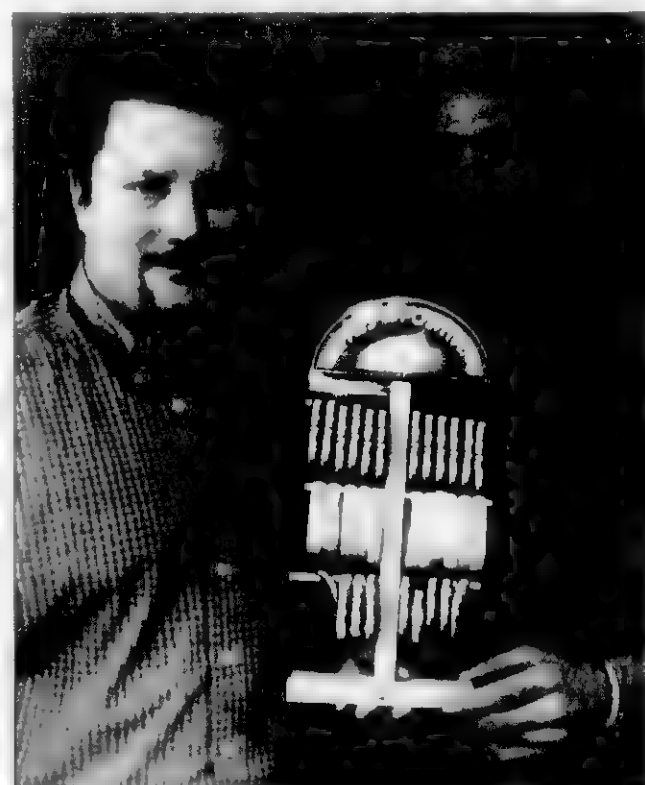


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Dr. Rick Randall (right) and business partner Tim Paczesny have developed a simple bracelet with a big message: Pass the Positive. The duo hope others will join in their mission to spread a little proverbial sunshine into the lives of their fellow man by reminding one another to look on the bright side of life's trials and tribulations.

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Senator reads to second grad class

Senator Jason Allen was in Charlevoix today and read the book *Gitchi Gumee*, by Northern Michigan, Anne Lewis, to Mrs. Jerema's second grade class. He presented the book to the class after reading it.

Home show and expo at NCMC this weekend

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The Little Traverse Association of Home Builders is proud to present the opportunity to learn about home remodeling, green building, re-new-able energy sources, and more; and learn it from the professionals. It is the 33rd year of your local Home Builders Association promoting and celebrating Northern Michigan's home building industry. The Future is Now; Learn From The People That Know. Sponsored by First Community Bank, AVIO, and your community LTAHB members. This year's event will raise funds for the Home Builders

Association, Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity, and provide a networking opportunity for Northern Michigan families, consumers, and business owners. Bring your blueprints for FREE admission!

In this trying economic environment, every home-owner, home builder, entrepreneur, do-it-yourself remodeler, and hard-working business owner is looking for an opportunity to showcase their business and network with complimentary businesses in the community. Whether you are looking for advice on a deck addition, replacement windows for your house, or you are curious how geo-thermal heating works; The Home Show and Expo this year will have the answers.

This year's event will have over 100 vendors offering special giveaways, \$1,000 worth of 'Home Show Dollars', special one-time discounts, and exclusive home improvement information for everyone in Northern Michigan. Seminars on Geothermal heating, Greenbuilding, children's project workshops, and a special panel of

Kitchen and Bath remodeling experts will be presenting over the weekend, as well as green cleaning and heating. Check the website for a schedule of seminars; ltahb.com

This year's event will have many new additions: a raffle/fundraiser for LTAHB and NWM Habitat for Humanity of a Pioneer Elite 43 Inch Plasma TV (with separate media receiver, high definition display with speakers and digital tuner) from Platinum Sponsor AVIO; The Home Show is also sponsored by First Community Bank. Thank you to AVIO, First Community Bank, and North Central Michigan College for hosting the Energy Alternative Seminars; classes offered in addition to the Expo and HBA seminars geared toward energy process and energy sources of today and tomorrow.

The event will take place Saturday, March 14, 10am to 6pm and Sunday, March 15, 11am to 4pm. Admission is only \$3 or \$5 per family; children are free, complimentary tickets available at First Community Bank (Harbor Springs).



COURTESY PHOTO

Project workshops for children are among the planned events this year.

and Petoskey locations) and AVIO (at 3890 Charlevoix Ave., Suite 210 in Petoskey), or bring in your Blueprints for free admission.

The LTAHB is an organization of home builders and the allied trades of the building industry in Emmet, Charlevoix, and Otsego Counties.

The Association is affiliated with and subscribes to the National and Michigan Associations of Home Builders.



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Four vie for Charlevoix board of education

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Two incumbents and two newcomers want your vote for the two Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education seats in this May's election.

The incumbents Registered Nurse Christine Michaud is looking to secure her second term on the board.

"I have learned that you can't really make a decision all on your own," she said. "And, you can't go and change things the next day after you've been voted in."

Michaud said her four years on the board have taught her to be patient when it comes to wanting a change.

"When I first ran for the school board I thought I was going to go in and change things I thought needed to be changed," she said. "It took three years to get some things changed."

But for the most part, Michaud added, "It's not that things are running wrong, it's that you just don't have all the information, and once you get all the information, you realize things are running pretty good."

The wife and mother of three children said she is the best candidate because she always collects the facts before making a decision, and she truly cares about future generations.

"I want to protect the future for our kids," Michaud said. "We have great teachers and administration and

people who know me know I put the kids in the community first."

She added, "I am honest and I take in what everybody thinks—it's not my personal vote, it's the community's voice that I vote for."

Incumbent board member Dean Spencley said win, lose or draw he will remain a part of Charlevoix schools.

"If everything goes well I'll still be on the board; if not, I'll be in the crowd making sure everyone understands what is going on with the board," he said. "There are so many times where it is hard to enjoy what you are doing that you have to get your own gratification out of it."

Spencley added, "It seems like a lot of what we are doing is taking hours away from somebody or taking a job away from somebody, and in such a small town it always seems like it is someone you know."

Spencley a big part of his job is making tough decisions.

"Our top priority is education," he said. "We are here for our kids, and in my mind, I feel we have made the right decisions in the past couple years."

Despite the economy and cuts which have been made, Spencley said Charlevoix schools and staff remain the best around.

"We will continue to work to make Charlevoix the place

where people want to move, where jobs will come," he said. "They are certainly top notch."

Spencley also thanked Charlevoix schools superintendent Chet Janik for his effort in getting the bond measure passed.

"He made people understand the bond issue," he said. "He made them see what it would do for the school district."

Spencley added, "Getting that bond issue passed is one of the things I'm proudest of."

School board position applications are available at the Charlevoix County Clerk's office. Call 547-7200 for more information.

The challengers, former school employee Michael Pearsall, is running to ensure the building and grounds are properly cared for.

"I'm retired now and I will have the time to devote to something like this," he said. "I feel it's going to be needed—by the sounds of the budgeting—somebody who will do the right thing for the community."

While Michael has no political experience, he did spend 32 years working for Charlevoix Public Schools as the maintenance supervisor.

"We put a lot of money into these buildings and I'd like to make sure they're taken care of," he said. "I realize the economic times are not very good and I want to stay in-

involved with the schools and help where I can."

Michael added, "I have past knowledge that would be an asset."

The Charlevoix native, who has three grown children, said he will make a good school board member because he always devotes himself to his work.

"Whenever I took care of the football fields or drove into the buildings, I always wanted (people) to have a 'wow' impression," he said. "It was

like they were coming into my house and I wanted them to feel good; I wanted them to have pride."

Lifelong Charlevoix resident Kevin Pearsall is making his second run at a Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education seat.

While the candidate has no formal political experience, Pearsall said his years running his own landscaping company has given him the experience to

responsibly operate a large entity like the Charlevoix schools.

"I've been involved and going to school board meetings over the last year trying to educate myself on the issues," he said. "I just want to try to help balance the budget and make some decisions to help improve our schools."

Kevin added, "I'm running for the kids. I don't have any personal agenda."

Pearsall said he is the best

Several openings on Northwest School Board

The deadline to file for two positions on the Northwest Academy Schools Board of Education on April 22.

While the community does not have the chance to vote on who will be seated on the board, there is still a strict selection process involving Northwest's charter holder Saginaw Valley State University.

The seats include one vacated by Jack Russell on Feb. 11 and the other currently held by Joanie Olach.

Applications for the three-year board positions can be obtained and filed by visiting Northwest Academy at 115 West Hurbit St. in Charlevoix. Call 547-9000 for more information.

Applicants can be from any of the following counties: Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmett.

Board meetings occur at 5:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month.

candidate because he puts his all into everything he does.

"I like to investigate the whole situation before I make decisions and I say what I think," he said. "I guess I'm

one to make my own decision and I think that's what we need on the school board."

Create a Strategy for Maturing CDs

Ben Muladore
Financial Advisor



Some things, like fine wines, get better with age. But a certificate of deposit (CD) is not one of them. If you have a maturing CD, you need to decide what to do with it — and the earlier you make this decision, the better off you'll be. So if you've got one or more CDs coming due in the next few months, start planning now.

Of course, if you had a specific goal for a maturing CD — such as a college tuition payment — your decision has already been made. But if you've purchased a CD for another reason, you'll have to choose whether to renew it or invest the proceeds elsewhere.

If you bought the CD for the income it provides, you may want to renew it. If prevailing interest rates are the same, or higher, than the rate on your maturing CD, you can purchase a new CD without

worrying about reducing your income stream. But if rates have fallen, you may have a dilemma: How can you reproduce the income you received from your now-maturing CD?

Here are a few alternatives to consider:

- Purchase a bond that pays a higher rate. Instead of buying another CD, you could possibly purchase another fixed-income instrument, such as a bond, that pays a higher interest rate. Be aware, though, that if you find a bond that pays a higher rate, you may be taking on more risk, so make sure any bond you purchase is considered "investment grade quality" by the independent rating agencies.

- Buy a longer-term CD. Generally speaking, you can get a higher interest rate when you purchase a longer-term CD. Your money will be locked up for a longer period of time, but it will help provide you with a more stable income stream over time.

- Create a fixed-income "ladder." To combat interest-rate concerns, you might want to build a fixed-income "ladder" by

buying several CDs or bonds with varying maturities — short-term, intermediate-term and long-term. When market rates are low, you'll still have your longer-term vehicles earning higher interest rates. And when market interest rates are high, you can reinvest the maturing short-term bonds and CDs at the higher rates.

Thus far, we've talked about replacing a maturing CD to protect your income stream. But if you bought a CD for another purpose — such as removing some of your money from a volatile stock market — then the CD's maturity gives you a chance to re-evaluate your investment strategy. As you know, 2008 was a tough year for the stock market, so, at the time, diverting some of your money to a CD might have seemed smart. But history tells us that even the worst bear markets don't last forever, and that the biggest gains in a rally often occur at the early stages. Consequently, you may want to take this opportunity to "rebalance" your portfolio, and, if appropriate for your individual situation, look for ways to invest the proceeds of your CD into quality

equities or other securities.

By planning ahead, you won't feel rushed to make a hasty decision when your CD matures or, even worse, be tempted to spend the money and have little to show for it. Your maturing CD can help you achieve your financial goals — if you give it a chance.

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OFFICIAL: Nuclear waste won't go to Nevada site

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NEWS-REVIEW

Charlevoix's hopes to move spent nuclear waste to Nevada have been slashed.

For two decades, a ridge of volcanic rock 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas known as Yucca Mountain has been the sole focus of government plans to store highly radioactive nuclear waste.

Not anymore. Despite the \$13.5 billion that has been spent on the project, the Obama administration says it's going in a different direction.

Some of that waste sits on the shores of Lake Michigan at the former Big Rock Point nuclear power plant in Hayes Township outside Charlevoix, which operated for 35 years until decommissioning began in 1997. Its spent nuclear waste is sitting in dry storage on site, and was supposed to be shipped to Yucca Mountain as early as 2010.

"The federal government reneged on its promise to take fuel from the sites. It's the federal government's responsibility for all nuclear fuel they license it, make it available to power plants and they take responsibility to remove it from the site. Until that time it's our responsibility to keep it in a safe condition," said Mark Savage, communications manager for Entergy, a power supplier and owner of Palisades nuclear power plant located south of South Haven in Covert Township and Big Rock Point dry fuel storage in Charlevoix.

The Obama administration's decision to slash funding for Yucca Mountain in its recently announced budget came as no surprise to Savage.

"Yucca Mountain has been over the last several years not so much a technical issue as it was a political one. With every change in the administration there's a change in the amount of attention given to these facilities," he said.

On Thursday, Energy Secretary Steven Chu told a Senate hearing that the Yucca Mountain site no longer was viewed as an option for storing reactor waste, brushing aside criticism from several Republican lawmakers.

Instead, Chu said the Obama administration believes the nearly 60,000 tons of used reactor fuel can remain at nuclear power plants while a new, comprehensive plan for waste disposal is developed.

Savage said Consumers Energy, which owned and operated Big Rock from 1963-1997, paid Entergy \$30 million in 2007 to take ownership and responsibility of fuel at Big Rock. The dry fuel storage canisters are licensed for 100 years.

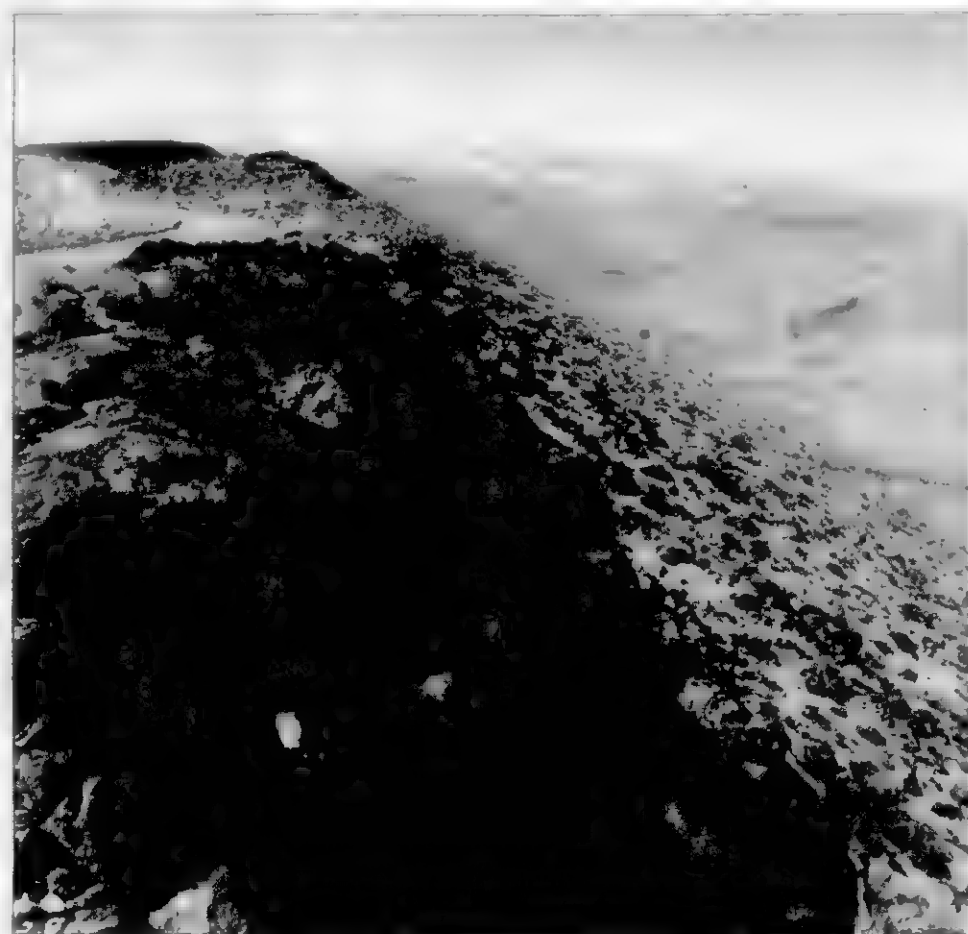
"We will continue to keep

that fuel safe in its current configuration unless there's a situation where we will make repairs and so forth. We monitor the fuel and have people at the site to respond if there's an issue," Savage said.

While many residents would like to see the fuel moved out of Charlevoix, Hayes Township Supervisor,

Ethel Knepp, said she's not surprised Yucca isn't coming to fruition.

"The bottom line is, I can understand the people that live near the Yucca Mountain site being concerned with it being put there. So it's not surprising. I wouldn't say disappointing. We just need to deal with it," she said.



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In this June 25, 2002 file photo, the view from the summit ridge of the proposed Yucca Mountain nuclear waste dump near Mercury, Nev., looking west towards California. For two decades, a ridge of volcanic rock 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas known as Yucca Mountain has been the sole focus of government plans to store highly radioactive nuclear waste. Thursday, Energy Secretary Steven Chu told a Senate hearing that the Yucca Mountain site no longer was viewed as an option for storing reactor waste, brushing aside criticism from several Republican lawmakers.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders outslug Boyne, win Class C district crown

ANDY SNEDDON
NEWS-REVIEW SPORTS
EDITOR

Charlevoix had a little too much experience, a little too much poise, a little too much depth — just a little too much of everything for Boyne City.

The Ramblers didn't lack for heart, guts and desire.

Meridith Rich scored 17 points, Tammy Potter had 14 and KC McCary added 10 Friday as the Rayders held off the valiant Ramblers, 59-47, in a slugfest of a Class C girls' basketball district championship game at East Jordan High School.

"I was nervous today, I didn't know what to expect," said Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine after his team captured its fifth consecutive district championship. "It was a great game, and our girls showed up. I thought our girls did a tremendous job. Just a great game."

Shelby Mittig scored 14 points and Maddie Moeke had 10 for the Ramblers, 9-13, who could muster just one 3-pointer on nine attempts, made just 12 of their 34 field goal tries overall, and committed 28 turnovers, yet somehow managed to hang in with hard-nosed defense and flat-out guile.

"We made a deal at the beginning of the year," Boyne coach Jim Brown said. "I'd coach as hard as I could if they'd play as hard as they could and tonight was a prime example of that. They played their butts off."

"And my hat goes off to Charlevoix."

The win sends Charlevoix, 20-3, to the regional at Indian River Inland Lakes High School where it will play Kingsley, 15-8, in a semifinal game on Tuesday, March 10.

Kingsley beat the Rayders, 52-44, on Dec. 6.

"You've just got to go, show up, and play," said Erskine, whose ultra-deep team features seven seniors who saw significant playing time on Friday. "Hopefully we can just keep on going. I've looked at the teams (in the regional) and I think we're more senior-oriented than all the teams we might face in the next week. Hopefully we can use that experience — and keep playing hard."

"We've just got to show up and play as hard as we can and if we lose, if we get beat by a better team, we can always live with that. If you get beat by somebody who's not as good as you, then it's harder to take."

The Rayders drew on their ex-

perience to wrestle away a win from the Ramblers on Friday. There were no neighborly pleasantries exchanged between the Charlevoix County rivals as the game included 52 fouls — two players from each team fouled out — and no less than three Ramblers had to be helped from the court at one time or another because of injuries.

"We have a little saying called 'the man in the glass' and basically the bottom line is, 'Can you look yourself in the eye at the end of the game?'" Brown said. "And every one of those girls can look themselves in the eye and know they gave 110 percent."

"As a coach I couldn't be more proud, and I couldn't ask any more of them at all. And that's almost word for word what I told them in the locker room."

Charlevoix led all the way, but it never got comfortable against an inspired Rambler squad that matched it blow-for-blow in the intensity department.

"They just did a great job," Erskine said of the Ramblers. "They had a great game plan, and they just came to play, and I told my girls they were coming to play."

"It was a great girls' basketball game. It was up and down, it was physical. It was the kind of game

that a team like us needs if we're going to go farther. And if they would have won, it would have helped them to go farther."

Charlevoix seized the early lead and slowly expanded it to 10, 32-22, by halftime.

It led by as many as 13 points, 51-38, midway through the fourth quarter, but the refuse-to-budge Ramblers kept lapping at the Rayders' heels, and five times in the second half trimmed their deficit to seven points, the final time with 1 minute, 27 seconds remaining on a Cheyenne Shumaker bucket which drew Boyne to within 53-46.

But that turned out to be the Ramblers' last field goal. They could muster just one more attempt at the bucket the rest of the way and turned the ball over five times as Charlevoix leaned on its bread and butter stifling press.

Charlevoix — which made just 14-of-31 free throw attempts on the night — made enough of its charity tosses, 6-of-10, in the final 1:13 to finally snuff out Boyne.

"Breaking their pressure, that's the first step," Brown said. "The second step is they're coming from behind trying to tip the ball, so you know you've got to get it across (midcourt), get it under control, and then let them get



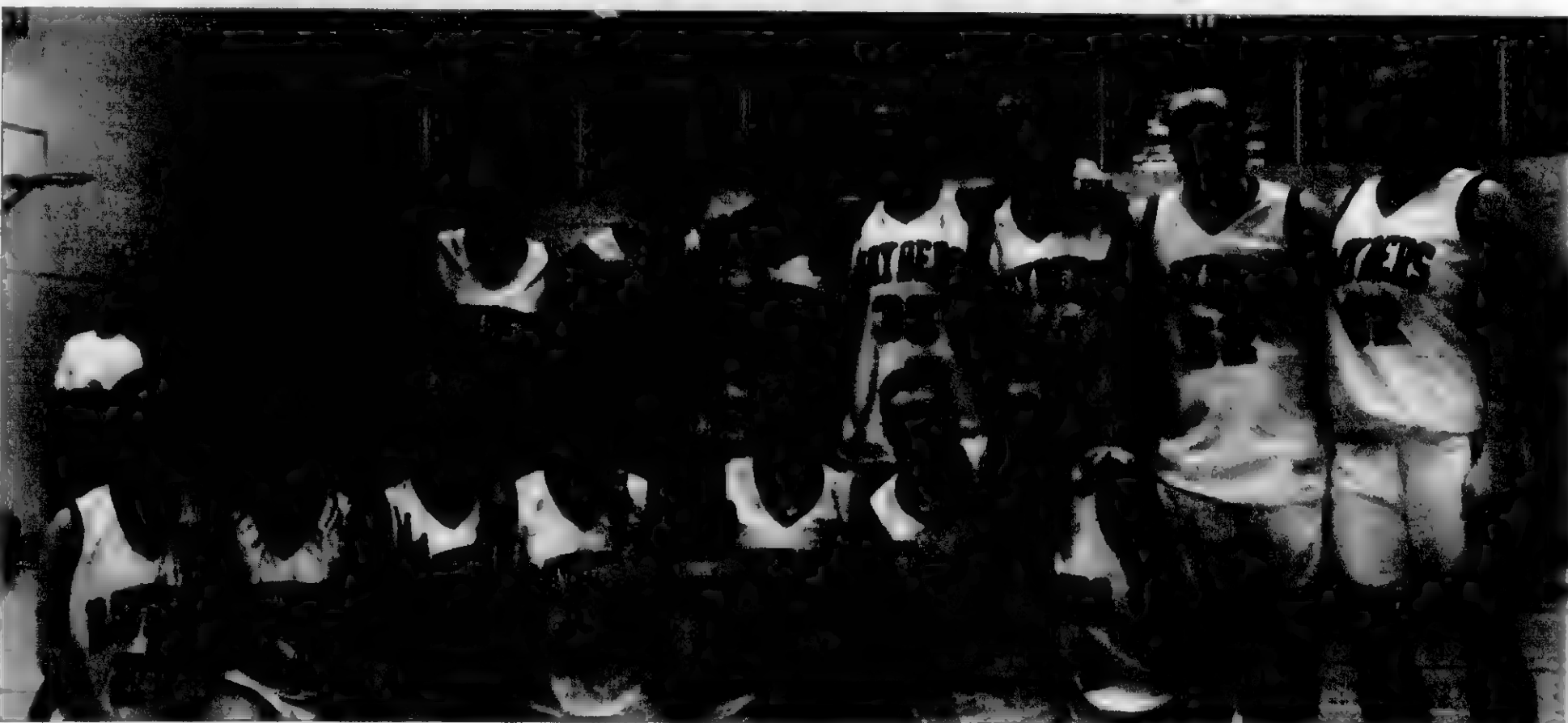
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Boyne City's Maddie Moeke (right) blocks Charlevoix's Meridith Rich Friday in the Class C district championship game at East Jordan High School.

in front of you and attack them from there.

"They exploited every one of

our weaknesses tonight. Every time we'd turn it over, they'd score."



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The Charlevoix High School girls' basketball team celebrates its Class C district championship Friday at East Jordan High School. Team members are front (from left) Chelsey Haske, Alyssa Smith, Dani Barron, Olivia Catt, Ericka Faust, Jenna Way, Madison Way; back, coach Bret Erskine, Taylor Storm, Shauna Spencley, Meridith Rich, KC McCary, Bridget Peters, Tammy Potter, Sarah Potter.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Island girls grab the gold

FRANK SOLLE
SPECIAL TO THE
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After claiming their second straight regular season title with a 9-1 march through their Northern Lights League schedule, all that was left for the Beaver Island Lady Islanders was to win the championship of the league's annual post-season tournament, held this year at the Hannahville Indian School in the Upper Peninsula.

And win they did, defeating Grand Marais 65-26 in semi-final action, then besting their arch rivals, the Mackinac Island Lakers, 45-34 in the title tilt.

It was not an easy tournament win, however, as a number of the Islanders were sick, battling either cold or flu-like symptoms. Yet they played through that obstacle, just as they did their opponents.

"They were like a bunch of sick puppies," said Islanders coach Mike Myers. "Yet they were able to pull it together. I was real proud of the way they responded and came through."

A strong first half against Grand Marais in the opener allowed Myers to turn to his bench and rest his starters as the Islanders built a 30-14 margin at the break. Junior Briana Maudrie led the team with 12 points with senior Deven Cook adding 11. Ten of the team's 11 players scored in the win.

Against Mackinac Island the Islanders saw an early four-



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NLL regular season and tournament champs (from left) are Olivia Schwartzfischer, Alex Kuligowski, Brogan Maudrie, Claire Kenwabikise, Maeve Green, Heather McDonough, Deven Cook, Jenna Battie, Kristy Bousquet, Briana Maudrie, Jenna Butler and Coach Mike Myers.

point edge slip away as the Lakers used a 13-4 second-quarter run to take an 18-13 lead at intermission. But the Islanders regained control on a 14-4 run to open the third quarter, then sealed the deal on a 10-2 run to start the final frame.

Senior center Heather McDonough scored eight of her team-high 14 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Islanders. Junior Alex Kuligowski added 11 with Cook chipping in 10.

Mackinac Island defeated Ojibwe Charter School 66-5 in

the first round, then Hannahville 33-19 to reach the final game. Grand Marais topped Paradise 44-34 in the other first-round game.

The Islanders, whose basketball program began just last year due to the change of sporting seasons, closed out the campaign with a 14-3 record.

The Islanders boys team also wrapped up their season at the tournament with a loss to Paradise 49-38. The Islanders were not only battling illness, but were short-handed as well due to a number of schedule

conflicts.

"When you've only got seven players including two middle-schoolers suited up and five of them are sick, that's pretty tough," said second-year Islanders coach Dan Martell. "But still, I don't think I've had a team play harder than these kids did."

The Islanders held a 24-18 lead at the half, but Paradise used three treys to outscore the Islanders 17-5 over the third quarter to pull away.

Only the three upperclassmen scored for the Islanders led by senior Patrick Cull and

junior Dereck McDonough each with 14. Junior Cameron LaVasseur added 10.

The Islanders wrapped up their season with a 5-12 mark.

Mackinac Island, which claimed the regular season crown, defeated Hannahville

for the boys tournament title, 85-75. Senior Michael Gambie led the Lakers with 41 points to go with the 52 he scored in their 93-72 win over Grand Marais. Hannahville beat Paradise 83-35 in the other semifinal game.

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"This offers our business community the chance to collect applications and meet with candidates for job openings

in a one-stop location to save both time and money," said Angie Ross, Business Liaison for Charlevoix and Emmet counties.

According to Michigan Works!, last year's job fair was considered a success for participants according to Michigan Works! over 400 job seekers were in attendance and 30 local employers were hiring.

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er than it actually was," she said. "In addition to that, the state changed from the single business tax ... so our taxable value decreased significantly."

Biddle said they amended the budget later to correct her calculation to keep it in line with the changes at the state.

"So when Mr. Lewis hadn't seen that December amendment and just assumed that money wasn't in the state," she added.

Lewis said he actually looked at the last five years of budgeting and the average yearly miscalculation from what the schools began with and what they actually

received was a difference of approximately \$930,000 and that their best year the schools' budget was off by \$500,000.

"My concern, of course, was that kind of disparity in budgeting. In 2008, the original budget projected a fund balance at the end of the year of \$868,000. The actual fund balance was \$1,738,000," Lewis said. "The problem with that is simply two-fold. One is, if you're always projecting that you're going to have all this less revenue by a million dollars a year on the average, then you've made some decisions about how you're going to allocate resources to educate kids that say 'I better

cut this, I better cut that, because I'm not going to have the money and you get to the end of the year and you have a million dollars left—it's too late to deploy those resources to target them for educational purposes."

He added, "That's the problem when you don't have that kind of close planning. And, not every district is like this. Very few are like this."

Janik again gave an overview of school finances showing a projection that per pupil

funding will remain at \$8,424, that enrollment is declining across the state and that retirement, health care and other costs continue to increase.

The district expects to lose 45 students next year through graduation and the trend of people leaving the state.

"This is a sad comment on the State of Michigan: We lost 29,000 students (statewide) this year," Janik said. "You could imagine about 12 or 13 school districts the size of Charlevoix just disappearing."

Retirement increased from 16.54 percent to 16.94 percent for a \$25,000 increase. Blue Cross/Blue Shield increased by three percent for administrators and bus drivers for \$3,300.

MESSA insurance for teachers and support staff is anticipated by Janik to increase by eight percent for an additional \$128,000.

Energy retrofits are expected to save \$73,000 and the board will look into the potential savings from academic

class reconfiguration.

Also, since there has been a five-year freeze on spending on text books and other classroom supplies, a capital outlay will be necessary to ensure students and teachers have the materials they need.

"If you do the math and you keep every line item the same, we're anticipating a budget deficit of between \$800,000 and \$1,031,000," Janik said. "This is not unique

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to Charlevoix or to the State of Michigan."

Janik went on to explain that East Jordan is anticipating an \$800,000 to \$900,000 deficit; Boyne City faces a \$500,000 deficit; and Petoskey schools could see between a \$400,000 and \$500,000 deficit in the 2009-2010 budget year.

"So it's virtually every district in the state of Michigan," he added.

Lewis asked how he could believe the administration's projections for the upcoming budget year when their projections are consistently off by hundreds of thousands of dollars each year.

"There is this consistent pattern of a fairly substantial amount of money that is miscalculated in those budgets and that is very difficult to plan," he said.

Biddle explained that numerous changes including staff retirements and increases and decreases in enrollment after a budget has been passed in June can alter the amount of expenditures by hundreds of thousands of dollars.

And, Janik said, the sale of property in several of the last few years also changes the amount of the fund balance.

390 school districts in the state get about \$1,000 less than Charlevoix per pupil funding Lewis said.

One audience member asked if the teachers had the ability to switch between the MESSA and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Janik said he has had both insurances during his career and he found them comparable. However, all the teachers and support staff must agree on which insurance they choose.

MESSA insurance plan the teachers currently have comes

with no deductible and costs the district just over \$1,400 per employee per month.

A question was raised as to the "high deductible" of \$4,000 which accompanies the Blue Cross/Blue Shield, but Janik explained, the school pays the deductible in full so there is no cost to the teacher.

One audience member said she was concerned that insurance providers may begin penalizing employers who pay the deductible for the employee because the employee will be more apt to visit the doctor more often when they don't have a financial stake in the insurance.

"Charlevoix Public Schools fronts the deductible," Janik said. "We fund it 100 percent."

Janik said he spoke to his insurance provider and he had not heard that.

"I'm looking at some of your figures and when you're talking about this the school paying deductibles I'm kind of appalled that I look up here and you've got \$1,496 in insurance premiums plus the school, the taxpayer funds the deductible," said small business owner John Haggard. "I have one employee who has full coverage for himself and his family with a \$500 deductible, which he has to pay and it's only \$698 a month."

How as a taxpayer can have this and pay \$1,496 per employee through an insurance agent that I can buy here locally with a lower price and a lot less deductible. So, for \$500 let's have the taxpayers pay the \$500 deductible and then pay only \$698 per employee. That's a simple way out."

Janik said the insurance costs are set by contract.

"I think, as a taxpayer, the

school board and the teachers should step forward in this day and age and not have to pay that kind of money. It's too much money for what we're paying in return," Haggard said.

Haggard also asked if the teachers get a percentage of the insurance premium if they opt out.

Any employee who is eligible for the insurance and opts out gets \$588.

Rick Brandi, Charlevoix City treasurer asked if the teachers or support staff had any monetary responsibility for the insurance and went on to say that the city had found it beneficial when the employees have a financial stake in their insurance. "We found by having an employee contribution we've kept our costs down considerably for health care because they have to buy in," he said. "Your rates have increased by 66 percent over six years. The city's cost has stayed flat. We actually are paying less now than we did in basically in 2005-2006 and it's because we have involved the employees in selecting the benefits and having some contribution."

Brandi also said he is concerned on future costs as it

pertains to retirement.

The auditor addressed the concern raised in the last meeting by a teacher who wanted to know if an independent audit could be completed.

The auditor said her firm is an independent accounting company licensed by the state.

Lewis asked how many districts received a letter on the deficiency noted in the Charlevoix schools audit as it pertained to the lack of segregation of accounting duties.

The auditor said approximately half of the more than 25 school districts her company serves have accounting offices so small that segregation is not physically possible or, as Janik added, financially viable.

"I was surprised, because when I pulled the management letters showing that deficiency were pretty rare out of the 500 school districts in the state," Lewis said.

Janik said he wanted to be clear that it was simply because one person keeps the schools' books, not because the accounting practices were in question.

Brandi said the city's audit contains the same comment because, again, the city has a

minuscule accounting staff.

When asked why Charlevoix was unique in not having a settled contract, Janik went on to say that he would love to give Charlevoix teachers and support staff a contract similar to local school districts because it would save the district money.

"We have some very unique costs in our contract. We have costs that other districts do not have that are very expensive. They were great when we could afford them—we can no longer afford them," Janik said. "So, we have to cut personnel costs, cut employees, increase class sizes. We cannot continue the path we're on."

He added, "We're trying to maintain our high academic standards. What are we going to do to maintain the long-term financial stability of this district. We need to think more than one or two years into the future."

One audience member asked how other districts can be so much better at budgeting, to wit the auditor said Charlevoix schools' books were well kept.

"The fact is we do have \$1.7 million but we're glad we do because we're going to have to dip into it," Janik said. "East Jordan right now is about to lay off six teachers, a principal, bus drivers and a curriculum director because they don't have a fund balance."

Audience member Tom Barnes said in his business he creates budgets and his concern is less on the difference between what is forecast and what is actually there and more on how much of a fund balance exists.

"If a board is coming to me with a conservative budget to make sure you're not going to fall on the south side of that, more power to them," he said. "I'm in favor of having a good healthy safety net."

Lewis challenged Janik to another forum where they could debate the items in question point by point, but the matter was not further discussed.

For more information on this, call Lewis at (800) 292-1934 or Janik at 547-3200.

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gate replacement and lightning protection for airfield circuits.

Total cost of the architectural planning phase is estimated to be \$103,400 including the required 2.5 percent city matching grant of \$2,585.

Architect Mark Buday PLLC's firm will be designing the expansion projects plans.

"RW Armstrong reviewed the four proposals to determine, in our opinion, the firm whose expertise and vision best matched the City of Charlevoix's goal for the expanded airport terminal building," stated project manager Ron Leebon in a Feb. 19 letter to city council.

While the firm chose N.J. White Associates of Petoskey, Buday of Harbor Springs was chosen by city council.

"The city council felt Buday was the right choice, though both were qualified and I'm sure very talented and capable, but they just felt comfortable with Buday because of the job he did down at East Park," said Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "Nothing has been proposed as to the type of building, so it basically came down to who we wanted to work with."

Since no actual architectural plans have been created at this point in time, city officials have no idea on the amount of square footage of the construction.

Straebel also said that, since they do not yet know the size and scope of the project, there is no way to determine how much the actual construction will cost.

"We will be using the existing building and expanding on that building," Straebel said. "Once we do get the project specifications solidified we will put that out for bid to the general contractors that are

qualified."

According to Bailey, making small changes to the airport will result in big returns for the Charlevoix area.

"First and foremost we want to better accommodate our passengers and pilots who use utilize our airport," he said. "We're unique in that, in the winter we're pretty slow, but as business picks up in early spring and on through Christmas and New Year's, we often do not have room to house every one of our patrons."

Bailey, who works part-time at the airport to help cut costs, said that, while the plans are tentative, offering refreshments, meeting space, a room for pilots and more restrooms has the potential to draw more flyers to the Charlevoix area.

"We have a lot of people, believe it or not, who fly in for meetings and then turn around and fly back out when they're done," he said. "It's all real preliminary right now, but we're trying to figure out better ways to utilize what we have."

Bailey also said making an improvement to the runways by adding 300 feet—an idea that has not yet been finalized—would allow airlines to carry more fuel and therefore spend more money with Charlevoix's airport.

Charlevoix airport has 23 hangars which currently house 18 aircraft year-round.

The more weight you have the longer the runway you need in order to take off," Bailey said. "With 300 extra feet of runway, we could easily bring in another 55,000 to \$10,000 (annually) in fuel sale proceeds. That could be a pretty cost-effective improvement."

An as-of-yet unscheduled public hearing will be held on the matter. Look for updates in future editions of the Courier.

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS

Monday, March 2, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

Motion passed declining the donation of a 100' Manitowoc barge

Motion passed approving Mark Buday Architect PLLC as project architect for the airport terminal expansion/renovation project.

Motion passed approving the Energy Efficiency Service Committee Agreement

Motion passed approving the Renewable Portfolio Standard Service Agreement

Resolution 2009-03-01 adopted. Execution of MDOT Airport Grant Agreement 2009-0182 and FAA Airport Grant Agreement 3-26-0017-1109

Council adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street

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Boils show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarczyk and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Eastern Star

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

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The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society museum

Winter hours: The museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

A statewide writing contest

Celebrating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday deadline is April 4. Full details are available at www.milincoln.org.

The essay themes are broken out into two categories: Grades 5-6: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (What President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Mean to Me); Grades 7-8 and 9-12: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (How President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Inspire Me Today).

For more information, contact the Michigan Commandery at (616) 827-3369 or patnotblue1@yahoo.com.

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East Jordan men's fast pitch

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- Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
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- Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

MARCH RED CROSS CLASSES

The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan, based out of Petoskey, but covering Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties, will be offering a number of health and safety and preparedness classes during the month of March. For a complete listing of these classes, please read on below, call their offices at 348-7666 or visit www.arenlmi.org.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 12

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council "Ice Breakers" educational series

Conversation on water resources issues ranging from the new water withdrawal assessment tool to utilizing native plants in landscaping. All sessions scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. at the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council office, 426 Bay St. Events are free and open to the public. Refreshments provided, but you may wish to bring a lunch. Sessions are limited to 15 participants and pre-registration is required. Visit www.watershedcouncil.org/events or call 347-1181 for more information and to register.

Event schedule:

- March 12 - Native Plants

NOW THROUGH MARCH 23

Stop smoking

Join the seven-week course at 4:30 p.m., each Monday from Feb. 2 to March 23 in the lower level classroom at Charlevoix Area Hospital. To register for this free program, call 547-8672 or e-mail rhines@cah.org.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans At 7:30 p.m. on the following

nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and movies including Lo Dolce Vita on March 19 and Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH MARCH 22

Economics film and discussion

Economic meltdown, Bernie Madoff, off-shoring, subprime loans, bailouts, entitlements, supply and demand: Wish you had paid more attention when they talked about economics in high school or college?

Are you interested in learning more about economics - what the words mean, basic concepts, pointers on personal finance?

The Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom is sponsoring this free film and discussion series at the Charlevoix Public Library. The first four sessions will cover two half-hour topics each, followed by a half hour or more of open discussion.

The following programs begin at 2 p.m.:

- March 22 - "Financial Markets and Rates of Return" and "Personal Investing"

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NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

- Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays
- Healing H'Arts - now through April 5
- Figure in Clay with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 14
- Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18
- Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16

MARCH 12

Swirl at CTAC

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27th, but was canceled due to weather.

MARCH 14

The Charlevoix County Genealogical Society

Along with former Sheriff, George T. Lasater, will meet from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., March 14, in the lower level conference room at the Boyne District Library, 201 E. Main St., Boyne City. The workshop will focus on obtaining additions and corrections for the community for the books: Charlevoix County Contributions to the War Effort in World War I and World War II. The gathering will be free and the public is invited and encouraged to attend and assist the author in his research endeavors. Refreshments will be served.

Blood drive

From noon until 5:45 at Bethany Lutheran Church, 11906 US 31 North. Call (800) GIVE-LIFE for information.

MARCH 13

GOP dinner/meeting

Charlevoix County Republicans Social Dinner and Informational Meeting. Friday March 13, there will be a dinner at 6 p.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center 411 East Division. After dinner there will be an update on the Michigan State GOP convention and other issues of interest. This event is open to all Republicans and friends. Dinner \$10 doors open at 5:30 p.m. for more information and RSVP contact Tim Boyko at 237-0000 or e-mail cvgop@gmail.com.

MARCH 18

Nursery open house

The East Jordan Co-op open house is from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the elementary school 304 Fourth St. in East Jordan. Cost is \$25. Call (231) 536-0353 or 536-7005 to register or for more information.

Application deadline for Great Lakes concerto competition

The Charles F. Davis Concerto Competition, available to students of piano, winds, brass, percussion and strings, between the ages of 14 and 19, residing in northern Michigan and attending schools located between the 45th Parallel and the Straits of Mackinac, is May 16 at the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix. Call 487-0010 for an application. Cost is \$15. Dead line is 5 p.m., March 5. Mail applications to Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra office, 438 East Lake St., Petoskey. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Art competition

Congressional High School Arts Competition open to high school students across northern Michigan. The "An Artistic Discovery" competition is open to any art work created this school year by a high school student who either resides in or attends school in the First Congressional District.

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Entries are limited to original concepts done as drawings, collages, paintings, prints, computer graphics or photography. Entries reproduced from an existing photo, painting or any other work will not be accepted. Entries must be two dimensional and no larger than 30 inches by x 30 inches and four inches deep including the frame.

All entries must be received by 3 p.m., March 21.

Entries will be on public display at Bonifas' Alice Uren Powers Gallery March 25 through April 14.

The "Best of Show" entry will be sent to Washington D.C. to be displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex.

For more information, call (906) 786-3833 or visit www.bonifasarts.org.

MARCH 19

"The Adventures of Lewis and Clark"

Charlevoix Elementary presents.

The performance will be at 7 p.m., March 19 at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium.

The dress rehearsal will be 9 a.m. the same day. This year the school paid for expenses such as costumes with money from a Learn and Serve grant.

The third- and fourth-graders will be serving the community by inviting the Senior Center, the Bergmann Center and the K-2 students from the elementary school to attend their dress rehearsal.

Discover some exciting truths about Lewis and Clark and their companions, who in 1804, traveled, explored, and chartered the new territories of the Louisiana Purchase.

Through drama, instrument playing, song and dance, students will take you on a musical journey along the Oregon Trail.

MARCH 31 THROUGH MAY 26

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

- March 31 - "Kiss your Gias Goodbye - Living Well in the New Economy" from Richard Heineberg, America's foremost Peak Oil Educator.

An informative look at energy transitions, substitution, and economic localization.

- April 28 - "Kilowatt

Hours - A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

- May 26 - The COOL-FUEL Roadtrip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great Family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Australian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered car and go bio-powered drag racing.

APRIL 11 THROUGH MAY 31

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APRIL 16, 18

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Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

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Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

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Commodity pick-up

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FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



COURTESY PHOTO

New Kiwanis member

On March 3, Kiwanis welcomed Molly Tate from the Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom. Tate spoke about the community-wide reading of "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Reelin. Here Tate is seen with three copies of "Three Cups of Tea" and Kiwanian John Young.

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Weed warehouse coming to Charlevoix? Folks buzzing over pot plaque

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

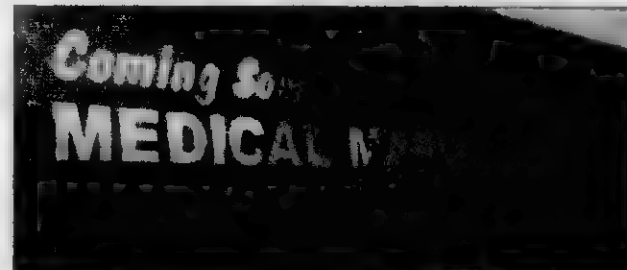
Those baffled by the red sign in an empty Antrim Street office window proclaiming a medical marijuana store is coming to Charlevoix are not alone.

Several owners of businesses in the vicinity said they were unsure who erected the sign and whether it was genuine—all were emphatic about not be-

ing identified due to what they deemed a controversial topic.

"At this time I don't know if this is actually going in or not," said Charlevoix City Police Chief Gerard Doan.

The bright red sign, which reads: "Coming Soon! Medical Marijuana Store—Thank You Proposal 1," in white lettering is posted in the window of an empty building on Antrim Street near the corner of State



Street.

A white sign below the medical marijuana sign proffers

office space for lease and con-

See MARIJUANA, page 8



FILE PHOTO

Hit the trail for music

Charlevoix Elementary School students are seen here singing their way through the 2008 Charlevoix Public Schools Spring Musical. This year's theme is "The Adventures of Lewis and Clark" and is set for 7 p.m., Thursday, March 19 in the Charlevoix High School auditorium. Students will fulfill their Learn and Serve Grant—which helped pay for costumes—by having special guests from the Charlevoix Senior Center, Bergmann Center and kindergarten through second-grade students who will attend their dress rehearsal. The show is being billed as a musical journey along the Oregon Trail.



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Flying fish?

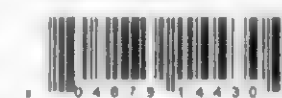
A contestant in the frozen fish toss gets some serious air during the St. Patrick's Day games on Beaver Island, Saturday, March 14.

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Look to serve, not control



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

I had a pastor friend a few years ago who led a fairly sized congregation in a neighboring community. I met him one day and asked how things were going and he

told me he was getting his resume tuned up to go looking for a new church assignment.

Now, this fellow had come here from Arizona and he'd never been a big fan of winter in the frozen north, but that wasn't his reason for leaving the church he'd spent more than a decade building—it was a church building expansion program.

His church had grown large enough that the leadership had made the big decision to build on. And, to my friend, that decision marked the beginning of

the end of his tenure there.

"How so?" I inquired of him. From my view, adding on to accommodate more people in the pews seemed like an endorsement of his work there.

Turns out my friend had a stack of statistical and anecdotal evidence showing a high probability that the pastor who leads a congregation through the fundraising, design and construction phases of a church expansion will leave within a year of dedicating the new building.

"It's all about control," he explained. "How so?" I asked again. "It's all about control," he explained. My friend's position was there were too many people wanting to be in control of some piece of the action. The power plays and infighting introduced so much conflict into the congregation that seeking after the right to choose the color of the carpet becomes more important than seeking after God.

The congregation has to vent all that frustration somewhere, he predicted, so they take it out on the pastor. Next thing anyone knows, he is being driven off into the wilderness.

I remembered my friend's insight when I encountered a

church's need for control a couple years later.

Interviewing for an assignment as pastor of a small congregation, I sat across the table from the leaders of the pack. We were reviewing what they were expecting of me if I took the job.

Rather than discussing spiritual matters, one by one they informed me of what piece of church life they controlled, and how that piece would be off-limits to me and anyone else.

One woman was in charge of music, another in charge of décor. One man was in charge of the grounds, but a third woman claimed authority over the flower beds.

One couple counted and controlled all the money that passed through the church budget, and made it clear all of that was a closely held secret that I, as we used to say in the Navy, didn't have the "need to know."

As each one staked out their turf it became so clear to me that, for these folks, church was more of a fraternal organization than a body of believers.

Largely lacking in influence in their Monday through Saturday lives, their greatest fulfill-

ment seemed to come not from worship or service but rather from exercising power and control over a little piece of their very small world on Sunday.

This whole business of being in charge and exercising power and control is evident in many churches, but that sort of behavior is not in keeping with the teachings of Jesus.

Jesus emphasized service, and was the very personification of humility. Although He was well within His rights as the Son of God to be served by all creation, He modeled the servant's heart for His disciples by humbling Himself and serving them.

He was sensitive to the needs of others and put their needs ahead of His own. Mark describes Him as healing the sick all night long. Motivated by compassion for suffering humanity, Jesus seemed willing to change His plans and rearrange His priorities to meet their needs.

Completely submissive in the way He related to others, nowhere in Scripture did Jesus model the need to control that is so common in many of today's congregations.

WEEKLY POLL

Will you be attending the upcoming Michigan Workers' job fair?

Yes (4 Votes, 7%)

No (32 Votes, 54%)

I'll have a job (23 Votes, 39%)

This week's poll question:

Do you support a medical marijuana store opening up shop in Charlevoix?

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Although each congregation has at least one person seeking power, He who had all the power chose not to exercise it.

And although each congregation has at least one person claiming authority, He who had full authority chose not to impose it.

I propose that if we Christians would stop focusing on our need to control and begin cultivating ways to personally serve others we would send a very different message to the

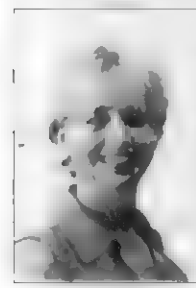
world than we do now.

If, when they looked at us they saw the humble, servant heart of Jesus, they might be drawn to Him in a way they are not now.

Oh, and my pastor friend? He went back to Arizona shortly after the new paint dried.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services Counseling and healing prayer by appointment at (231) 675-4682.

Right place, right time



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

I recently traveled south to Lansing, Michigan with my husband since he was scheduled to attend a conference.

Though I've lived in Michigan my entire life I have yet to venture forth into the Michigan State Capitol. I missed my high school senior trip back in

1967 so I decided it was time to catch up.

I started my adventure by picking up a self-guided tour book in the lobby.

"Start on the third floor," suggested the dark haired woman with a warm welcoming smile.

After the brief flight upwards, the elevator door opened up, and then my mouth was open just as wide.

I walked into an art history major's dream come true.

Exquisite details and colors very close to the natural colors used in the 1800s were displayed before me.

I saw magnificent marble-like columns, beautiful art work and detailed chandeliers with the additional embellishment of elks

standing majestically near the well lit globes. Everywhere I looked beautiful hues of blue and shades of burnt amber reminiscent of a bygone era swirled in various designs along the walls.

I turn to hear the giggles echoing off the hallways as school children learn about the Capitol's history.

They gathered together in a well niche space poised at attention while their local Representative shared the importance of what takes place in this building.

I continue on my educational tour viewing the House and Senate Chambers but spent more time looking at the gold leaf décor and checkerboard tiled floors.

While walking down an empty hallway admiring the exquisite handiwork of many craftsmen a gentleman with a warm smile took notice of my presence and began to explain the technique of using stale beer and water to create the effect of grain in wood.

This novel idea fooled the eye into thinking pine was actually deep, dark walnut.

"One more way of saving money but keeping the opulent look of the Victorian Era," he said.

I listened as he continued to tell me about matching the colors perfectly by gently scraping chips of paint from the original plaster and studying it under a microscope.

He felt no computer image could capture the correct hues. He directed me to what I thought were marble columns but were actually cast iron and plaster skillfully crafted to look like marble.

Now my curiosity peeked and I asked this soft spoken man with the wire rimmed glasses who he was.

The smile widened and his eyes sparkled as he explained he was one of the master decorative painters hired to work on the restoration of the Capitol building.

Right place, right time.

He gave me a guided tour as he pulled a key from his pocket and opened doors not listed in my guidebook.

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LETTERS to the editor

REPEAL GUN BAN

Dear Representative Bart Stupak: I am extremely disappointed that you did not stand up for the Second Amendment on the issue of S.22, the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act of 2009.

This bill would greatly expand land controlled by the National Park Service, and thus spread the agency's gun restrictions to even more areas. The park service's gun ban should be repealed, not expanded.

Although the pro-gun side won today, the battle is not over. The anti-gun leadership will try to bring the bill to the floor again, this time with a rule intended to exclude a pro-gun amendment to repeal the park service's anti-gun regulations.

If that is the case, I urge you to protect the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding Americans and vote against the rule.

John E. Haggard

CHARLEVOIX FEE UNFAIR TO ISLANDERS

There have been many suggested taxes in the history of the relationships between Charlevoix, Charlevoix County,

and Beaver Island.

Many of them have been logical. Many of them have been fair. Many of them have provided better services to the Island residents that are required by geographical barriers to get to Beaver Island by using a flight service based in Charlevoix or a ferry service that is based in Charlevoix.

Some of these fees, taxes, or whatever word you want to use to describe them have been fair.

For example, it makes perfect sense to have to pay a fee to park a car in the parking lot there at Charlevoix Airport, and, as long as the fee is not excessive, the fee is reasonable because there is a benefit.

No one likes to pay this fee, but it is fair and acceptable.

The newest suggested tax/fee that has been proposed by the Charlevoix City Council is totally unfair and unacceptable.

The proposed tax involves a \$1 tax on each person traveling by air from Charlevoix Airport.

Since both air services use Charlevoix Airport to fly to and from Beaver Island, Beaver Island residents and visitors would be required to pay this tax.

How would Charlevoix city residents feel about a tax for essential trips over the bridge to go north toward Petoskey?

Would this tax be fair and acceptable to them?

Charlevoix residents and visitors could obviously get to Petoskey another way. And, although there is a ferry service for part of the year, there is no other way to get to and from Beaver Island for several months of the year other than by using one of the air services.

Some might argue that the tax would be acceptable depending upon the reason for the tax. Beaver Island residents are being told that the reason for this tax is to balance the Charlevoix City budget. Would that be an acceptable reason to Charlevoix residents for a bridge tax?

Would Charlevoix residents want to pay a \$1 tax to the City of Charlevoix for every time they needed to go to a medical appointment, do some shopping or just get away for a short period of time and then pay another \$1 tax to be able to get home again?

Charlevoix has been a lifeline for Beaver Island throughout the years. Never before has the

City of Charlevoix suggested a tax on Beaver Island travelers.

Beaver Island has come to depend upon the businesses of Charlevoix, and probably contribute a not-so-small amount to the economy of Charlevoix.

Is a \$15,000 shortfall in the city budget a reason to jeopardize this wonderful relationship that has developed?

I would certainly hope that Charlevoix businesses, individually and collectively, think seriously about this proposed tax and help, individually and collectively, change the minds of those in city government who continue to propose it against obvious Beaver Island opposition.

The phrase "taxation without representation" seems appropriate here.

A headline also comes to mind: "City of Charlevoix Proposes Unfair Tax on Beaver Island."

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Beaver Island

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mediately as one of the Project Manager's for the Capitol Restoration and he is still working at the Capitol today.

His art studio is above the chambers of the House and Senate, a location he chose because of the natural light coming in through the skylights.

Among the heat ducts and pipes in this attic art studio you could peer through the etched glass squares and catch a glimpse of the hearings below.

Willard "Bill" Finch was one of the four ornamental paint contractors hired to complete this project within the scheduled time frame.

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Regional quiz bowl results ENGAGEMENTS

In its most competitive final yet, more than 80 students from seven area schools participated in the fourth Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Quiz Bowl League tournament of the school year.

The 16 teams played seven round-robin games to determine final placement in the championship round. Seedings for the final round were determined by won-loss record with total score serving as the tie breaker. The Feb. 20 event was held at North Central Michigan College.

In the contest for the grand championship Charlevoix C (5-2) was ahead of Petoskey A (6-1) by a score of 100-85 going into the last lightning round, the equivalent of the fourth quarter. Petoskey A won by a final score of 145 to 110 to take the overall title while Charlevoix C secured the Class C championship.

Concord Academy Petoskey won the Class D division with a record of 5-3, taking 5th place in the overall standings by defeating East Jordan A in the final round.

This was one of the most competitive tournaments this year. East Jordan B won in sudden death overtime to defeat Charlevoix B for seventh place. The upset of the day occurred in round 3 when eventual 11th place finisher Boyne City B delivered Petoskey A's only loss of the day by coming from behind in the last lightning round to win 155-150.

Final standings, overall won-loss records and final scores for the 16 teams are as follows:

1st Petoskey A 7-1, 1540; 2nd Charlevoix C 5-3, 1125; 3rd Petoskey B 6-2, 1140; 4th Charlevoix A 5-2, 1050; 5th Concord Academy Petoskey 5-3, 940; 6th East Jordan A

4-4, 775; 7th East Jordan B 5-3, 760; 8th Charlevoix B 4-4, 775; 9th Northwest Academy B 5-3, 735; 10th Northwest Academy A 3-5, 795; 11th Boyne City B 3-5, 690; 12th Northwest Academy C 4-4, 745; 13th Ellsworth B 3-5, 640; 14th Boyne City C 3-5, 600; 15th Ellsworth A 1-7, 670; 16th Boyne City A 2-6, 475.

League school Beaver Island was unable to attend.

Championship coaches are Bruce Koch of Petoskey, Pete Scholten of Charlevoix and Maggie Rumpca of Concord Academy Petoskey.

Quiz bowl is an academic competition in which four-member teams use buzzer systems in a Jeopardy-like contest. Area schools interested in joining this free, fun academic league are encouraged to contact Char-Em ISD quiz bowl coordinator Barry Cole at 347-0656.



Wilson - DeKorte

Carl and Heather Wilson of Oceanside, Calif., and Tom and Evelyn DeKorte of Charlevoix are announcing the engagement of bride-to-be Bethany Krista Wilson and groom-to-be Chad Abram DeKorte.

The bride-to-be is currently a student at California State University Fullerton and will graduate in 2010.

The groom-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Harbor Light Christian School, a 2005 graduate of Calvin College and a 2007 graduate of Michigan State University's turfgrass golf course management.

An Aug. 9 wedding is planned in Oceanside, Calif.

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people

Benjamin R. Van Guilder, Pharm.D., of Charlevoix, has completed the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree at the Chicago College of Pharmacy (CCP) of Midwestern University (MWU). An official graduation ceremony and conferring of degrees took place in Downers Grove, Ill., on March 6.

Dr. Van Guilder is the son of Charlevoix residents Dennis and Dianne Van Guilder. He graduated from Charlevoix High School in 2001, attended Central Michigan Univer-

sity for undergraduate studies, and recently received a Pharm.D. degree in March.

After graduation from MWU, Dr. Van Guilder plans to return to northern Michigan to work as a clinical pharmacist.

Northern Michigan University graduation list includes those who have satisfied their degree requirements in December, 2008.

* Cameron A. Attee with a associate's degree in media illustration with honors.

Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list includes students from Charlevoix who earned 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and higher grade point averages. The fall semester ended in December. Honorees include: Ezra Drew Bakker, Junior; Sarah C. Cross, Senior; Courtney S. English, Senior; Alexandra D. Evans, Junior; Nick W. Gotshall, Sophomore; Caitlin Ann Mitchell, Freshman; Brittany M. Niswander, Senior; Caroline D. Slocum, Junior; and Jillian Elina Wilhelm, Junior.

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Make Eye Contact at art exhibit

As long as Kathy Britton Mays can remember she has been passionate about art.

Receiving her first easel at 2 years old, she loved painting with her artistic dad.

From youth until now, drawing and painting was what she chose to do with her free time.

Mays said she can't remember a time when she didn't draw.

The past eight years has been truly a huge growth period for her art, according to

Mays.

During a trip to El Salvador, Mays gave children the opportunity to use paints and create murals together. She also collaborated with a local artist to create a piece that would stay in El Salvador.

When Mays came back to her home in Charlevoix, she began painting the people that she had met.

"I fell in love with faces and painting portraits; people inspire me," she said.

Now, her "Eye Contact"

exhibit currently featured at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts has taken her in yet another direction.

"Making eye contact acknowledges another person's presence and humanity; another person's worth," Mays said.

In the "Eye Contact" series, Mays has painted people of different races, ages and situations.

She wants the portraits to look right into the viewer's eyes.

Mays said she wants viewers to have to make eye contact. In doing so, Kathy hopes for people to look through social boundaries to recognize common emotions.

The reaction to viewing this series has been phenomenal according to Mays.

The newly elected Charlevoix Circle of Arts president Kathryn Lobenherz said people cannot help but look back into the eyes of the paintings—whether it is the eyes of an African woman,

your neighbors or the autistic boy.

"This exhibit has evoked strong reactions from our viewers," she said. "You can't help but engage yourself and imagine the personalities behind the paintings."

Lobenherz said the Circle of Arts believes Mays' motivation in this series, which is her conviction that art in any form is valuable and something people need to enrich their lives.

To bring this passion and

conviction into action, Mays and the Circle of Arts plan to take this series into Michigan schools.

Working collaboratively, the goal is to provide youth with the opportunity to engage in art imaginatively.

The instructional series is designed to develop art appreciation and promote creative writing skills in our area's students.

The exhibit will run through April 4 at the Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St.

Robots to battle: Fun and learning with LEGOs

BENJAMIN GOHS

EDITOR

What more could a kid want than building his own remote controlled robot out of LEGOs?

Why, using that multi-colored mechanized automation to do battle, of course.

"They (children) are in for math and science and engineering with LEGOs," said Karen Bogoski, Michigan program director for All About Learning, the group presenting the LEGO Battle Bot program.

Founder and All About Learning president Dave Stackpole will instruct youth from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 21 at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Bogoski said participants will use advanced LEGO pieces unavailable for retail purchase to design, build and then do battle against the LEGO robots built by other children the same day.

"Mostly they're going to have fun," said Charlevoix Public Library director Valerie Meyerson.

"It's learning without knowing they're learning."

Meyerson added that, while there is no cost to attend, you must call 237-7350 to reserve your spot by March 20.

"Some of the concepts we teach are simple machines, forces in motion, electric motors and gearing ratios," Bogoski said. "The kids have a blast. It ranges from those who have never played with LEGOs to those self-proclaimed experts."

Students will learn to identify LEGO blocks, plates, beams, connector pegs and much more.

"In the battle bot program, they will build a basic chassis and then we give them five choices of bots they can turn that chassis into," Bogoski said. "They get to make like three different machines either using our design or they can experiment and come up with things on their own."

Each robot contains a simple motor capable of forward and reverse

The motor is connected to a battery/control box via wire.

The robots will be rammed into each other demolition derby style while students are advised to watch for their opponent's construction weaknesses.

Bogoski explained that, despite the apparent complexity of engineering their own robot, children generally retain much of what they learn.

"We don't lecture the kids," he said. "We certainly strive to teach them in the program, but it's more of a hands-on, exploratory learning, and that's the best kind of learning the kids can do."

Field trip programs such as battle bots, a video game creation workshop, crazy science and others are available in 20 states nationwide.

Contact All About Learning at (616) 328-3172 or karen@michiganlearning.com for more information about bringing one of their educational programs to your school or organization.



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What's happening at the Library this week?

Story Time
NO Story time March 19th
Resumes March 26th
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
For children 4 and under, songs, finger plays, crafts and more.

PAWS for a Story - Last Session of the Season!
Saturday, March 21, 10:30 - 1:30 pm
Spend some time reading and snuggling with a loving dog at the library. Back by popular demand, our certified therapy dogs are waiting to hear your stories!

Writers Group
Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
All writer's welcome - published, unpublished and novices. We support and gather new ideas with other writers.

Using the Computer for Genealogy Research
Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
This is an introductory class on how to use the computer for personal genealogy research. \$10 fee. Registration required. 237-7340.

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LEGO Battle Bots
Saturday, March 21, 10:30 - 1:30 pm
Ages 4 & up
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Managing Your Computer
Tuesday/Thursday, March 25 & 27, 10:30 - 11:30 am
Learn how to organize your files and keep your computer safe.

New Deal Film Festival Hope for the Future
Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
A film about the future of our planet.

Community Reads. Three Cups of Tea
Tuesday, April 14th, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Once you've read Three Cups of Tea, it's all you'll want to talk about! Join us for a community-wide discussion of Greg Mortenson's devotion and dedication to building schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

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OBITUARIES

Marian G. Beatty: December 8, 1913 - March 7, 2009

Marian G. Beatty, 95, of Charlevoix, died Saturday, March 7, 2009, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

She was born Dec. 8, 1913, in Lester, Wash. to Harry and Hazel (Kinch) Taylor.

Marian graduated from Central Michigan University, and earned a master's degree in Education from the Univer-

sity of Michigan.

On Sept. 24, 1936, she married Jackson K. Beatty in Phillips, W. Va.

They retired to Norwood (Charlevoix) in 1967, and Jack preceded her in death on March 29, 1992.

Marian was a member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, and she attended the Norwood United

Methodist Church.

She enjoyed painting in watercolor and quilting.

Marian is survived by her sons, Jackson Taylor (Rebecca) Beatty of Sherman Oaks, Calif., and Scott Turner (Kaye) Beatty of Charlevoix; granddaughter, Alison Beatty of Ann Arbor; grandson, Jesse (Jessi) Beatty of Clawson; great-grandson Turner Beatty;

and very dear friends, Ruth Hoppe and Yasmin Richmond of Norwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix.

A service will be held later this spring.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

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tains a phone number. No one returned a message left at the number by press time.



Gerard

"I believe, from what I've heard, it's a joke," said Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "I don't know any of the facts and, as far as I know, no one has come to the city and applied for any variances."

Michigan joined more than a dozen states last November when voters approved the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act.

According to the Michigan Medical Marijuana—spelled thusly in governmental literature for no apparent reason—Program Web site, you must be a Michigan resident who has an established relationship with your primary medical doctor and you must qualify as having at least one of the following debilitating medical conditions including, but not limited to: Cancer, glaucoma, HIV/AIDS, hepatitis C, Crohn's and Alzheimer's disease.

While the program will not go into effect until April 4, concerned inquiries to local government have spurred action.

"At this point, we haven't heard or seen anything about that (marijuana business) coming to the city, but we have been researching the legality of it and whether or not it could be controlled by zoning," said Charlevoix City Planner Mike Spencer. "I've heard rumors about this and ... somebody wanted me to look into it, so I did, and there's nothing to prevent putting a banner up inside a building."

He added, "If there is a lawful use under Michigan law, my initial opinion is it is something we could not prevent but, if

research indicates that type of store could be associated with increased crime, then maybe the city could do something about keeping it away from schools, churches and out of downtown."

Application forms and instructions are not available at this time but, now that the law has been passed, the Michigan Medical Marijuana Program will be overseen by the Bureau of Health Professions, Department of Community Health.

Patients under the age of 18 can get a prescription for medical marijuana for certain medical reasons as long as they have the consent of their parent or guardian.

Qualifying patients will be allowed to possess up to 2.5 ounces of marijuana or 12 plants—both of which must be kept in a secured location.

A \$100 application fee applies unless you can demonstrate financial need.

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Pastor: Michael Moore 536-2161

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283 E. Upright
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Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
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ANDY SNEDDON
NEWS-REVIEW SPORTS
EDITOR

Stop Hamlet, stop McBain,
right?

Tough task when there's two
of 'em.

Charlevoix managed to hold All-Stater Elizabeth Hamlet to 10 points Wednesday, but her sister, freshman guard Annemarie Hamlet, scored 20 and displayed poise and cool well beyond her years as McBain ended the Rayders' season in a Class C girls' basketball regional championship game, 53-47, at Inland Lakes High School.

"I'm so proud of those girls," said Charlevoix coach Bret Erskine after his team finished 21-4. "Tonight we came and competed for 32 minutes. ... And that was our big thing, compete for 32 minutes, and you can't ask for anything more than that."

The Ramblers, 24-1, will play Houghton, 24-1, in a state quarter-final game 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, at Petoskey High School.

For Charlevoix, the loss ended yet another outstanding season, one in which the Rayders reached the 20-win plateau for the second straight year, went undefeated en route to the Lake Michigan Conference championship, and won their fifth consecutive district title.

"You can't ask for anything more than that," Erskine said. "They're young kids, they're teenagers, they're trying to do the best they can and I thought



COURTESY PHOTO

First place in the Powerlifting Championships

The Charlevoix Football team took first place in the UP State Powerlifting Championships. The Rayders narrowly defeated Gaylord and Sault Ste. Marie to take the title. Several players received medals in their weight class including River Gauthier with a first, Jacob Roach with a first, Josh Wolletz with a second, Marc Durkee with a second, Jon Boss with a second, Isaac Hosper with a third, Casey Helstrom with a third, Justin Williams, Alex Foster with a fourth, Jake McClean with a fourth and Braden Knoop with a fourth. The team gave special thanks to Keith Carey, Steve Gauthier, Tom Rankl and Roger Knoop for helping make the trip possible. Pictured are (front, from left) coach Gauthier, Jacob Roach, Justin Williams (second row, from left) Ian Gauthier, Marc Durkee, Chris Waha, Corey Loucks, River Gauthier, Isaac Hosper, John Boss, Jake McClean, Coach Carey, Gunner Whitely, Clayton Mitchell, Casey Helstrom, Jake Rankl, Braden Knoop, Chris Kele, Josh Wolletz, Dylan Sladek, Alex Foster and Coach Jess.

they just did a tremendous job."

The Rayders employed a for nala of tenacious full-court pressure to wear down and eventually sink their teeth into opponents all season long. On Wednesday, they met their match in an outstanding team of solid athletes, led by Oakland University signee Elizabeth Hamlet and her sister who, though just a freshman, proved to be as skilled and heady as any point guard the Rayders have encountered this season.

"I'll tell you what, I give Charlevoix a lot of credit," said McBain coach Todd Hamlet, Annemarie's and Elizabeth's father. "I thought Bret had an excellent scheme tonight, triangle-and-two (defense), sagging in the middle, throwing our offense off a little."

"But I give our kids a lot of credit too. They overcame that and they worked it out and they

were tough down at the end."

The Rayders employed that defense to a certain degree of success against a McBain team that snapped a four-year streak of regional futility, capturing the school's first girls' basketball regional crown since 1994.

But try as they did, the Rayders simply didn't have an answer for the younger Hamlet, who scored 16 of her points in the second half, committed just four turnovers — none in the final two quarters — and knocked down nine of her 14 fourth-quarter free throw attempts to keep the Rayders at bay as they scrambled, ultimately in futility, to catch the Ramblers during crunch time.

"Annemarie had 16 (points) and zero turnovers in the second half against a press like Charlevoix's. I've got to lift her up on

that one," Todd Hamlet said.

McBain seized the lead early in a game that evolved into a knock-down drag-out brawl, the type of game Charlevoix typically excels at, particularly during tournament time.

But the Ramblers refused to back down, and they matched the Rayders blow for blow. "I give props to them because they played their guts out and they did a very nice job," said Elizabeth Hamlet, who, despite scoring well below her season average of 17 points per game, had 12 rebounds, six assists and six blocks. "Yeah, we expected it to be physical and our practices are just as physical as that. We've got girls beating each other up (in practice)."

Charlevoix, which never trailed by more than six points until very late in the fourth quarter, led just twice, both times by a point. The second and last time came 27 seconds into the final stanza when Tammy Potter nailed a 3-pointer for a 37-36 advantage.

"We took the lead in the fourth quarter, thought everything was going our way, and stuff happens," said Erskine, who led the Rayders to a 62-57 win over McBain in a regional semifinal game last season. "Last year it happened to them, this year it happened to us."

McBain then went on a 9-2 run to seize a 45-39 advantage with just under three minutes to play. With the Rayders scrambling to stop the clock, they sent

Annemarie Hamlet to the line and the freshman delivered, making nine charity tosses over the final 2:58 to ice it. She finished 11-for-16 from the line for the game, and also made six steals.

Charlevoix made four of its 14 field goal attempts in fourth quarter, including a pair of Erica Faust, 3-pointers that kept the game in doubt until the waning seconds. On top of that sub-par shooting performance, the Rayders turned the ball over on several occasions during crunch time, costing them precious scoring opportunities.

Mendith Rich scored 11 points to lead the Rayders, while Faust added nine, all on 3-pointers and Shauna Spenceley had eight KC McCary hauled down 16 rebounds for Charlevoix, while Potter added eight.

McBain center Jamie Geesman finished with 13 points, 12 rebounds and seven steals turning in an outstanding performance in the paint against the likes of Charlevoix's Potter and Mendith Rich.

"That girl (Geesman), we tell her she had to be a beast tonight in the middle because Charlevoix is tough," coach Hamlet said. "We knew that along this road there was going to be some ugly ones and some tough ones, and it was both tonight. You look at any (tournament) run and there's one gouge and scratch-your-eyes-out game and I hope that's it. Hopefully it's good preparation for us."

SPORTS reviewing the action

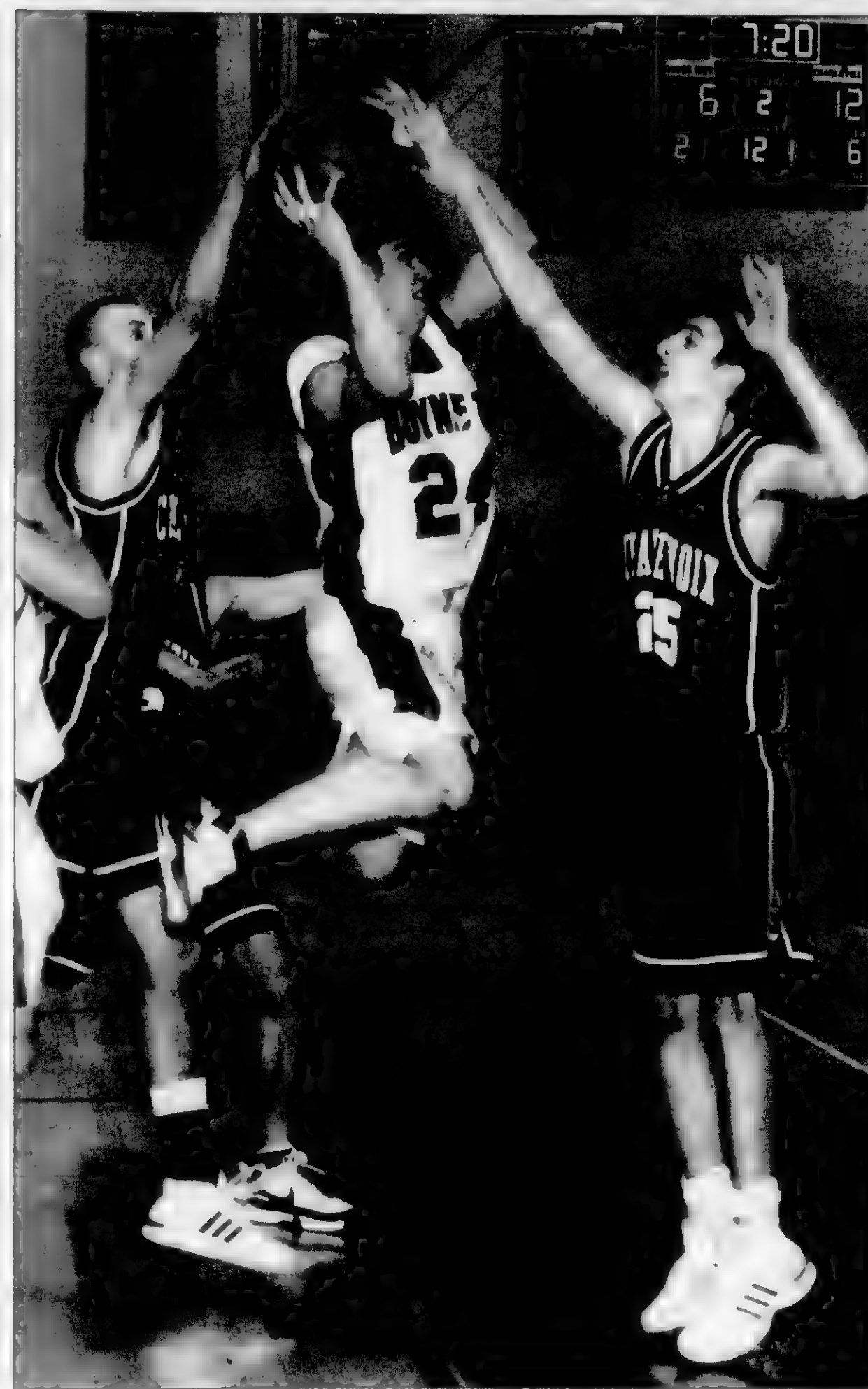


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Shut 'em down

The Charlevoix Rayder boys' varsity basketball team defeated Boyne City High School on Wednesday, March, 11. Seen here are number 25 Thomas Parrish and number 45 Tyler Jones of Charlevoix keeping tight defense on the shooting attempt of Boyne City's number 24. The Rayders went on to win the district game 45-38. See more pictures of the action at www.MChrisLeese.com.

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Big Grin

John Bradley wows the crowd with a near inverted jump off the big jump during Saturday's Big Grin ski and snowboard competition at Mt. McSaub.

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Charlevoix County, Eveline Township, T33N R67W Part Gov't Lots 1, 2, 3. Containing 41.53 acres, more or less.

The proposed direct sale of land is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the DNR Director. The next meeting of the NRC is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

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Dated: March 11, 2009
Ortans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 2009-2082

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert Simkovic and Susan Simkovic, husband and wife, to M&I Marshall and Isley Bank Mortgages, dated January 26, 2006 and recorded February 3, 2006 in Liber 729, Page 287 of Chardonin County, Georgia.

Under the power of sale conferred in said mortgage and the statute in such case made an

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Said premises are located in the Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL C-1 Commencing at a 1/2 inch rod at the North 1/4 corner of Section 13, Township 32 North, Range 7 West; thence along the North and South 1/4 line of said section South 00 degrees 16 minutes 41 seconds West 208.70 feet to a 1/2 inch rod, being the Point of Beginning; thence continuing along said 1/4 line South 00 degrees 16 minutes 41 seconds West 208.70 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 27 seconds West 21.17 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the West line of Behling Road; thence continuing South 89 degrees 55 minutes 27 seconds West 396.23



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sealed bids, in duplicate, for the work shall be received at the Marsh House by the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 609, Trenton, NJ 08646-0609, no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 31, 2006.

DOCUMENTS -Bidding documents for the Museum, beginning March 9, 2009.

DOCUMENTS—Copies of Bidding and mandatory pre bid meeting or Har- who have attended the Pre Bid scope of work must be directed, michelle@smaytrombley.com). writing via email and distributed

or bank draft equal to 5% of the bond executed by the Bidder & each proposal. Proposals shall be returned after the time set for receipt of

reserves the right to reject any regularities in the interest of the contract pending approval from the in part by a Michigan Lighthouse

administered through the State
Michigan Department of History, Arts
and Historic Sites. All work shall comply
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cal requirements. All work shall comply
with the assistance Program Grant agree-
ment. The Historical Society and the Michigan
Library Association and the Secretary of the
Library Association.

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County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THREE AND 14/100 DOLLARS (\$76,253.14) including interest at the rate of 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on March 27, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a 1/2 inch rod at the West Quarter corner of Section 34, Township 32 North, Range 7 West; thence along the West line of said section South 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds East 720 65 feet, being the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing along the last described course South 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds East 33 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on the East line of Waterman Road, thence continuing North 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds East 357 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds West 245 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on the East line of Waterman Road, thence continuing North 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds East 357 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on said road line; thence continuing South 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds West 33 00 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest quarter of Section 34 Township 32 North, Range 7 West, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated February 25, 2009

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a 1/2 inch rod at the West Quarter corner of Section 34, Township 32 North, Range 7 West; thence along the West line of said section South 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds East 720 65 feet, being the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing along the last described course South 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds East 33 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on the East line of Waterman Road, thence continuing North 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds East 357 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes 29 seconds West 245 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on the East line of Waterman Road, thence continuing North 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds East 357 00 feet to a 1/2 inch re rod on said road line; thence continuing South 88 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds West 33 00 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest quarter of Section 34 Township 32 North, Range 7 West, Charlevoix County Records.

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Said premises are situated in the City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

LOT 16, BLOCK 23 OF NICHOLL'S THIRD ADDITION TO VILLAGE OF SOUTH LAKE, NOW INCORPORATED IN THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 68 OF CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS.

612 East Main Street

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later.

Dated: February 25, 2009

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Our File No. 256 00055
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald Barker, a married man and Valerie Barker, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2004, and recorded on March 2, 2004 in Liber 800 on Page 777, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One And 46/100 Dollars (\$141,981.46), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

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Peace activists mark six years of war

Public welcome to event

For the sixth consecutive year, northern Michigan residents will join with individuals and peace advocates across the nation to protest the invasion that started the Iraq War and to call for an immediate end to the occupation.

Representatives of Northern Michigan People for Peace, Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom and Traverse City groups Veterans for Peace, Traverse for Peace and Justice, Neahawanta Center and MidEast: JustPeace will gather in their respective communities at 11 a.m., Saturday, March 21 to mark the war's sixth anniversary.

"In all of our previous demonstrations we said, 'Support the Troops, Bring Them Home Now!' We're still saying that," said NMP4P and LTLPF member Ellis Boal. "And, we're also saying we don't want our government to start any more wars like this."

Northern Michigan People for Peace will gather from 11 a.m. to noon in Petoskey, at the corner of Mitchell St. and U.S. 31.

Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom will gather from 11 a.m. to noon at Bridge Park in Charlevoix.

Traverse City area opponents of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars will meet at 11:30 a.m. directly across from the

Horizon Bookstore, near Front and Park streets, and walk through downtown to the Parkway.

"Look what has the war cost us," said LTLPF member Rachel Wright, of Charlevoix. "U.S. troops have suffered 4,255 casualties, 3,423 of these in combat. Counts of injured soldiers are unreliable; the official tally is 31,089, but most estimates exceed 100,000. It's estimated that 320,000 of our soldiers have suffered brain injuries. Among veterans, there are 18 suicides a day."

She added, "And, have we made life better for the Iraqi people? Millions have fled the country, and one million people, mostly women and children, are internally displaced, homeless and without a means of support."

"With the U.S. policy of 'We don't do body counts,' it's difficult to obtain exact figures of Iraqi civilians killed," said MidEast: JustPeace member Marian Kromkowski of Suttons Bay. "JustForeignPolicy.org estimates that more than 1.3 million Iraqi civilians have died since 2003. But even though Americans aren't counting, Iraqis are dying, and every victim has a name and a family. It is time to recognize that more war will not bring more peace."

Wright said Donald Rumsfeld scoffed at Lawrence Lindsey's prediction that the war would cost \$100 to \$200 billion, calling his estimate "baloney."

She added, "Six years later we're enmeshed in the second-longest war in U.S. history—after Vietnam—and the second-most expensive—after World War II—and estimates of total cost are now between \$1.5 and \$3 trillion. What could we have done instead with our money? We could have paid for universal health care and new schools across the country, and still had money left over to repair our crumbling roads and bridges."

Participants at each of the gatherings are asked to bring signs and banners.

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The Traverse City event will include a solemn reading of all the names of Michigan soldiers that have died in Iraq and Afghanistan by members of Veterans for Peace.

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Lewis, Clark and Indiana Jones

Charlevoix Elementary School students are seen here twweeting away on their recorders as they play the theme song to the Indiana Jones movies during the school's annual spring musical on Thursday, March 19.

City: Disparity in EMS/fire fees; rates could increase

BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

Charlevoix City's fire department and ambulance service is equitable, at least for some.

According to officials, the city taxpayers are funding more than their fair share for fire and ambulance emergency medical service (EMS) services provided by the city.

"It appears, at this point, the City of Charlevoix residents are subsidizing some of the fire/EMS services for

at least one township, and we want to bring some parity to the cost of those services," said Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel.

A portion of the cost of an ambulance runs is paid for by one of two medical insurance companies: Medicaid; and Blue Cross/Blue Shield, the latter of which pays \$407.23 for basic life support services which includes ambulance services from treating a sprained ankle to transporting a patient from one place to another.

and \$483.23 for advanced life support which includes the administering of drugs, starting an IV and critical care.

The rest of the funding must come from public coffers.

Since Charlevoix City Fire Department is the only provider of emergency medical service in the immediate vicinity, surrounding townships including Charlevoix, Marion, Norwood, Eveline

See EMS, page 21



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Charlevoix Township Fire Chief Curt Thompson shows off one of his newer pieces of equipment outside the northside fire hall on Waller Road. Thompson said recent assertions by the City of Charlevoix that consolidation of the two fire departments could be a boon to taxpayers would not likely help township residents who are already well served by his department.

See STIMULUS, page 21

Stimulus funds for Cvx schools? Administration, union officials differ

BY NOAH FOWLE NEWS-REVIEW

Although evidence of stimulus money has shown up in communities throughout northern Michigan, Charlevoix Superintendent Chet Janik is reticent to count on any federal money in next year's budget.

"The process hasn't been finalized. It'd be nice to know if we're going to get any funds," said Janik.

Anne Marie Conway, a negotiator with the local chapter of Michigan Education Association and Charlevoix

High School teacher, said the union recently sent out a postcard purporting the local school system is scheduled to see \$600,000 from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

She cited an early Senate Fiscal Agency report for proof of the funding.

"There is a lot of doom and gloom out there and that will only scare people away," said Conway. "But this is good news."

But, Janik said, "We're not anticipating the federal money. We've been reducing

staff for the last five to six years and we're anticipating 40 to 45 less students next year."

Working on a tight budget is nothing new for Janik, who, like most of the state's school districts, is witnessing a decline in enrollment.

"Every time we lose a student, we lose \$8,424," Janik said.

Conway countered that more energy needs to be put towards allocating funding more efficiently, and said

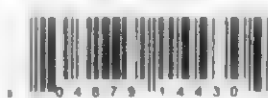
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BIRTHS

Gabriella Grace Dimario weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces was born March 12 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Nick and Nushie Dimario of Central Lake. Her grandparents are Joann Jabkowski of Charlevoix, Gene Jabkowski of Philadelphia, Penn., Paul Dimario and Barb Dimario both from Aston, Penn.

Alexus Clover Brown weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces was born at Charlevoix Area Hospital March 12, to Misty McQueen of Bellaire. Her sibling is Mackenzie Lynn Brown. Her grandparents are Roger McQueen and Charlotte Perrine both of Bellaire. Her great-grandparents are Phyllis McQueen and Sandy Baker both of Bellaire.

Isabella Marie Miltello weighing 7 pounds, 14

ounces was born March 13 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Eric and Andrea Miltello of Wisconsin. Her grandparents are Mike Briggs, Bob and Barb Miltello and Debbie Becker all from Wisconsin. Her great-grandparents are Roger and Darlene Briggs, and Joan Miltello, from Wisconsin and Shirley and Jerry Bray from Illinois.

BREAKING & ENTERING

On March 22, Charlevoix City Police officers responded to a complaint of breaking and entering at a home on the south side of Charlevoix. At least five handguns were reportedly stolen while the homeowner was away during the last week.

Evidence from the scene was recovered and is being processed. Anyone with information on

the incident is asked to contact the city police at 547-3258.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan.

Steven James Launstein Jr., 26, Boyne City. Operating while license suspended/revoked/allow. Pay \$500 in fines and costs or serve 40 days in jail.

John Henry Robert Aimesbury, 20, East Jordan. Minor in possession of alcohol, second offense. Serve 60 hours of community service work; to attend Impact weekend; \$300 in fines and costs.

Cody Daniel Pratt, 23, Charlevoix. Open intoxicant, motor vehicle driver. Credit for two days in jail; to serve four days in jail; \$200 in fines and costs.

Anyone with information on

Amy R. Bowe, 32, Elkhart, Ind. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$260 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Wayne Leroy Pardee, 51, Ellsworth. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$800 in fines and costs; to serve 15 days in jail.

Roger Anthony Bearss, 40, Boyne Falls. Driving while impaired; attempted fleeing and eluding. Credit for one day in jail; 159 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$300 in fines and costs.

Clayton Randall Peck, 22, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Pay \$125 in

fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Shelly Marie Brogan, 40, East Jordan. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$800 in fines and costs.

Douglas Michael Porter Jr., 28, Alanson. Open intoxicant, motor vehicle driver. Pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Kayla Marie Chapman-Mekian, 19, Boyne Falls. Minor in possession, second offense. Serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$300 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix

County Clerk's office: ADW Services, 5419 Marion Center Road, by Tony Warchol.

Jordan Valley Detailing, 450 Griffin Road, P.O. Box 96, East Jordan, by Scott Skop.

Seeger Tax Service, 511 West Upright, Charlevoix, by Linda J. Seeger.

Charlevoix Rocks, 13222 North Forest Drive, Charlevoix, by Rochelle J. Roerig.

Dharma & Grace, P.O. Box 128 Charlevoix, by Mark White.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Travis Cody VanNorman, 19, and Melissa Gail Smith, 18, both of Charlevoix.

Tapawingo closes after 25 years

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The gray house-turned-restaurant on seven acres near the shores of St. Clair Lake in Ellsworth known as Tapawingo is no more.

Mobil Travel Guide called it "Michigan's most acclaimed restaurant" and celebrity chefs like Mario Batali and Emeril Lagasse even had guest chef stints at the eatery, but according to owner Harlan Peterson the current economy has forced him to close the doors.

"This has been a very, very difficult decision," Peterson said. "The numbers had been diminishing as the economy has been diminishing, and it just becomes harder and harder to maintain the standards that we want to be known for."

He added, "There is a lot I will miss, as I was very proud of the restaurant and the style and identity of the restaurant."

Located at 9502 Lake

Street, the restaurant for 25 years offered dishes ranging from pumpkin gnocchi and pheasant sausage to bacon-wrapped rabbit loin with creamy spaetzle.

"We called it American modern," Peterson said. "It was relatively specialty dining where everything from the bread on up was from scratch, and never frozen—and never a deep fat fryer."

Peterson got his start in the food business working at the Rowe Inn, another of Ellsworth's culinary mainstays.

"I took a little cooking class in Paris (France) and it turned me on to being a food professional," he said. "I was an automotive designer for Ford Motor Company for about 10 years and I'd always loved to cook—that brief class kind of pushed me into the restaurant business."

Peterson thanked his many customers for their quarter-century of support.

"Our public announcement went out to our mailing list yesterday to about 4,000 addresses, and I've been reading e-mails all last evening and all today," he said. "Sometimes they've been coming in faster than I can read."

Peterson added, "We were quite a bit like family because our staff became known to these people—so this has been emotional."

The business will now be placed for sale.

"It is my fondest hope ... and with the right game plan, that it could continue to be a seasonal restaurant," Peterson said.



PHOTO BY NOAH FOWLE, NEWS-REVIEW

Tapawingo no more

After more than 25 years offering thousands of customers upscale dining in Ellsworth, Tapawingo has closed its door for the last time. Owner Harlan Peterson said he will now seek a buyer, and he plans to spend more time working with Northern Michigan College in Traverse City with the culinary program.

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Medical marijuana store a hoax
Local man behind sign

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The red sign stating a medical marijuana store would soon open on Antrim Street was a prank.

Charlevoix resident John Haggard admitted to posting the sign nearly six weeks ago.

"I wanted to see if there was any reaction from the voters to see if the voters really knew what they (had) approved," he said. "It wasn't a protest. I just put it up with the idea that, whoever drew the proposal up

didn't have any concept of what the ramifications were going to be when they tried to implement what they were trying to do."

In addition to posting the sign, Haggard also sent a check for \$100 and a request to the Michigan Department of Community Health to see if they would grant him a license to grow and sell medical marijuana.

"I've had quite a few people want to invest when, and if, I could get a license," Haggard said.

Haggard received a response in a letter dated March 13 from Celeste Clarkson, manager of the compliance section of the health regulatory division of the bureau of health professionals at the Michigan Department of Community Health.

"Specifically, the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act does not provide a certification process to allow for facilities, to grow and sell marijuana," Clarkson stated. "The ... act is a registry program for patients with certain, identified debilitating medical conditions, and for the patients' designated

caregiver."

Haggard's check was returned, uncashed.

"That just goes to show there are a lot of questions in this issue that have not been answered," said Charlevoix City Police Chief Gerard Doan.

During a March 23 phone interview, Clarkson would not say how many requests similar to Haggard's have been made.

"I can't speak specifically to your situation, but, at this point, we have had very limited request because the program is not up and running," she said.

Under the marijuana act, approved by voters in November, 2008, Michigan citizens will be able to begin receiving marijuana registration cards on April 6.

"The act does not provide for the state to provide or endorse a (marijuana) provider," Clarkson said. "This act provides for a registry program for patients and their caregivers."

Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said he sees nothing wrong with Haggard's practical joke.

"It's just something to stimulate conversation and trying

to get different opinions out there," he said. "On any issue there's always those for it and those against it."

Carlson added, "Obviously the people voted to approve that proposal, but that does not mean everyone is always going to agree with it."

Carlson preferred not to opine on Michigan's Medical Marijuana Act.

And Haggard, a cancer survivor, closed by saying, "In all my years I've never indulged (smoking marijuana)—even when I was in the service."

Sister cities meet: Islanders, city heads talk flight

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The March 18 meeting between Beaver Islanders and Charlevoix's mayor, city manager and airport manager was apparently a productive one.

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said the meeting reinforced his position that he intends to recommend that Charlevoix City Council not levy the proposed \$1 per person boarding fee.

"It was a pretty good turnout and I think we answered most of the questions they (islanders) had," Carlson said of the nearly 30 people who attended the gathering at Beaver Island's new community center.

Island resident and director of the Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce, Steve West, said he felt as though the city officials were interested in the concerns of his fellow islanders.

"The Island-Charlevoix relationship is good; the meeting helped improve it," he stated in an e-mailed response to questions.

West said Carlson's decision to not to recommend the proposed fee, which was expected to have raised \$15,000 if levied, was an important step toward helping taxpayers already suffering from a struggling economy.

"At this moment in economic time we should be looking for every possible way to lower taxes and fees,

not raise them," he stated. "I think it is important for readers to understand that a huge chunk of Charlevoix airport's funds come from the FAA and the federal government because there are over 10,000 commercial departures a year from Charlevoix."

West added, "Those departures are not to Ireland but to America's Emerald Isle. In short, the air traffic to Beaver Island is a key reason Charlevoix has the money for such a fine facility."

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel said the trip strengthened relations between the cities by allowing both sides to voice concerns and answer each other's questions.

"I think we shed a lot of light on the overall financial conditions of the airport," he said. "And, I think that the Beaver Island residents have a lot clearer picture of the cost of services and revenues that come into the airport and what we're ultimately

trying to achieve with our long-range plans with the airport."

Carlson could present city council with his proposal to not pursue the flight fee and seek alternative sources of revenue generation at the 7 p.m., April 6, council meeting.

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Irish Delights

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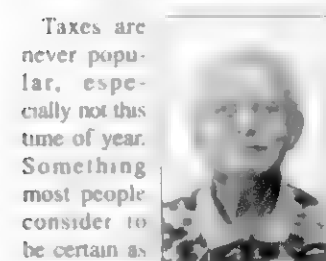
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Taxes are never popular



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

Taxes are never popular, especially not this time of year. Something most people consider to be certain as death is not likely to be on anyone's top 10 favorites list.

Few political candidates achieve office by promising to raise taxes for everyone. Although promising to tax those who make a lot of money is more popular.

I've read varying reports of what proportion of each person's total income we ordinary citizens pay in taxes.

The figure runs from 30% to 50% or more, depending on which commentator you listen to.

That includes sales taxes, social security taxes, taxes on gas, line, tobacco, liquor and a host of other smaller categories, in addition to the income taxes that are

on our minds this time of year. Precise numbers are hard to come by, since what counts as a tax differs from one situation to another.

We are sometimes encouraged to believe that the government—federal, state and local—is taking our hard-earned money from us and squandering it on worthless projects that favor only a few.

We currently hear questions like: why are our tax dollars being given to huge financial institutions and major auto companies? why do I have to pay taxes to support projects I don't approve of?—such as stem cell research, abortion or welfare; why should I pay taxes to support schools when I don't plan to ever have any children who would attend them?; and why should I support the military if I am a pacifist?

The question finally must be what we get for the taxes we pay. The easiest answer to what we get is, in one word: "community." A community being a place where everyone, to a greater or lesser extent, helps support the other members of the community and thus doesn't have to expend all that extra energy standing alone. That support includes roads, bridges, schools, public buildings, clean water, waste disposal and help for people temporarily out of work or without food or housing.

A few years ago a very conservative friend—yes, some of my best friends are conservatives—said that the government had no right to take his hard-earned money away from him. I suggested that, without that much-despised government, there wouldn't be any money,

and we probably owed them a little something for that. Case in point: I have in my desk drawer a two dollar bill issued by the Bank of Washtenaw in southern Michigan in 1854. It looks like money, it has an appropriate serial number and is signed by both the cashier and president of the bank. It is, of course, worthless, except as a curiosity. It is good to have a stable monetary system, backed by "the full faith and credit" of the U.S. government.

Taxes make that stable system possible, even for people or corporations who don't pay any taxes.

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Biological communities—plants, animals and microorganisms occupying the same location—have been the subject matter of ecologists for nearly a century, and researchers have learned a few things about how they work. For nearly all communities—there are some deep sea exceptions—energy and substance are the mediums of exchange, kind of like money in human communities.

Plants acquire energy from the sunlight and substance from the earth, and make it into suitable food for all those things that eat plants. And those plant-eaters pass their energy and substance along to meat eaters. Every organism in the community eventually dies and its parts and molecules are recycled by still other organisms. The system works well and has for hundreds of millions of years.

What does this have to do with taxes? For each of those diverse plant or animal community members, there is a cost for being a part of the community. Each individual organism in a community grows less well than it might if given unlimited resources of

energy and substance, but the whole community grows better, more certainly and remains more stable through time. Taxes are the cost of living in a human community.

It is worthwhile to argue about just how much tax should be paid and exactly what they are spent for, but taxes as an idea needs to be supported by anyone who does not wish to live alone on an isolated mountain top without a cell phone.

If we want the advantages that

communities provide, we should be pleased to pay enough taxes to support those structures and activities. The whole community needs schools, police, and all the other amenities.

Just like the many plant and animal parts of a biological community, we humans are necessarily dependent on one another. Taxes are the mechanism by which that dependency is addressed.

Contact Roger Knutson by e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com

WEEKLY POLL

Do you support a medical marijuana store opening up shop in Charlevoix?

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This week's poll question: What are the chances Charlevoix City and Township Fire Departments will ever consolidate?

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Concerned with cannabis



THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohe

Oh, how I do like me some pot. Let me begin this by saying I'm not going to debate the right, wrong or indifference about Michigan's Medical Marijuana Act. I think

we, as a whole, are an overmedicated people. Pain, depression, anxiety and other effects of disease has its place.

With the admission by a local

prankster (see MARIJUANA, page 3) that the medical marijuana store purported to be coming soon was little more than a hoax, I am left with a few questions and concerns.

My first concern is how undereducated people are on the new law. And we're not just talking Joe Meatloaf, here. We're talking about law enforcement, legislators and other public officials.

My second concern with the new law comes in how ridiculously the law was written: If you are a labeled as a qualifying patient—meaning you have cancer

or AIDS or some other disease which is not responsive to treatment, you would be relieved of nausea, lack of hunger, pain, etcetera—then you may legally possess the

seeds, stems, leaves and bud of the pot plants; and you or a designated caregiver may grow up to 12 pot plants, but the law does not provide for a place to obtain the seeds and plants.

That's right, while it has become legal in the state of Michigan for a cancer patient to smoke marijuana, they cannot legally obtain it.

Sure, there are Web sites like www.canaseed.com which are cleaning houses for the many marijuana distributors in a handful of countries where pot is legal.

And, you could track down an old Chevy van in hopes of finding some 1960s throwback willing to sell you a "My Little Pot-head" home-starter kit, but

don't let your employer find out.

That's right, in addition to the legalized use of medical marijuana still being illegal to buy and sell, your employer can fire you for testing positive for marijuana.

We don't even have time to get into the hypocrisy of firing cancer Bob for smoking pot in his off time when his coworker Joe is hopped up on OxyContin, Quaaludes, Jack Daniel's and Pall Mall cigarettes—and all that before lunch.

Not only that, but the federal government can still haul your ass because marijuana is a schedule I narcotic—that's fancy talk for illegal drug.

And the best part of this giant mess—the old man had a better

phrase, but, well, you know—is that, right now, the guys making bongos out of pumpkins and drinking gallons of pickle juice before they meet with their PO are thinking that their sweet Mary is one step closer to being legal, but it ain't.

Take a look around at all the other drugs labeled "medicine" and you will find them locked up behind the pharmacists' 12-foot counter.

There is no movement to legalize methadone or morphine. Hell, you have to sign a permission slip just to get your three boxes of snort pills because the government is afraid you might mix it with Dran-O and goats blood and sell it on the local playground.

Nearly as hysterical is the predicament public officials and the tax-funded public service announcement creators are now faced with. Ever since the 1930s and Harry Anslinger's congressional fight to label marijuana as the herb, if not root, of all evils, popular propaganda has told us the drug causes everything from mental derangement and hyperactive sex drive to an unquenchable thirst for crack cocaine, heroin and Roger Cornman movies.

Now granddad keeps a nickel sack in his sock drawer to help him cope with his glaucoma.

Check out this site for more information: www.michigan-medicalmarijuana.org

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LETTERS to the editor

THANKS FOR MCSAUBA

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to thank all of the dedicated people who make Mt. McSaubia ski hill, sledding hill and ice rink such wonderful places to enjoy.

My kids are 2 and 4 years old and throughout this long cold winter we could always count on one of those three places for fun.

This last weekend made us all hopeful for spring.

We enjoyed a great day of skiing and sledding with perfect conditions both Saturday and Sunday, and many evenings at the ice rink during its season.

Thank you for providing a place where families can enjoy such fun activities for a low cost, if not free.

We are fortunate to have such well-cared-for recreational activities to get us through the winter.

Although I am very happy spring may have sprung, I look forward to spending more time next winter enjoying your labors of love.

Jen Vollmer

CHARLEVOIX BIDDING FOR THE BANKS?

Editor:

I am very disappointed that State Representative Kevin Elsenheimer voted against a bill that would allow homeowners about to have their homes foreclosed, a 90-day period to work out a payment plan with the bank.

With thousands of people in Northern Michigan

threatened with foreclosure, this is the kind of common sense legislation we need.

Instead of voting for it, Rep. Elsenheimer did the bidding of the banks and voted against it.

Rep. Elsenheimer needs to decide who he works for—us or the special interests in Lansing.

James McKimmy

Rapid City

SCHOOL BOARD NEEDS YOUR HELP

Editor:

To the parents and other residents of the Charlevoix school district:

You're probably aware that your school, like most others across the state, is dealing with a severe budget crisis. Faced with rising costs and anticipated cuts in state aid, the Charlevoix district is currently projecting a \$900,000 budget deficit for the fall semester.

What you might not know is that your school board, like many others across the state, wants to address part of the problem by purchasing less costly health insurance for teachers and support staff.

But the teachers' union is standing in the way, and the school board needs your help getting past that roadblock.

The Charlevoix district currently purchases health insurance from the Michigan Education Special Services Association (MESSA), which is owned and operated by the Michigan Education Association (MEA). The MEA, the largest teachers union in the state, is

also the parent union of the Charlevoix Education Association.

The school board wants to save an estimated \$230,000 per year by dumping MESSA insurance and purchasing an alternative plan from Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The proposed coverage would provide nearly as many benefits for employees, without costing them a cent.

But the teachers union has no interest in that very reasonable plan.

This situation is hardly unique to the Charlevoix district. Across Michigan, school boards that were forced to accept MESSA insurance during past contract negotiations with the union are scrambling to dump it for more affordable coverage.

Already school boards in Waterford, Gaylord, St. Clair Shores, Lakeview, Pinckney, Mendon, Centerville and Elkton-Pigeon Bayport have dumped MESSA, at great savings to their districts. The Waterford district, for instance, estimated saving approximately \$500,000 just two months after dropping MESSA coverage.

School boards in Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Cass City, Leslie, Caseville and Mayville are currently trying to dump MESSA, or at least cap the dollar amount they pay for the coverage.

But dumping MESSA is not easy to do.

That's because MESSA, a "not-for-profit" organization, makes a great deal of money every year and shares it with the MEA.

According to state insurance records, MESSA currently has a fund balance of more than \$350 million, and transferred more than \$4 million to the MEA in 2008.

So the MEA fights hard, and sometimes dirty, to keep MESSA coverage in every district possible.

In several districts, the MEA has initiated or encouraged recall campaigns school board members who vote to dump MESSA. In the Wayne-Westland district, the teachers actually staged an illegal strike last fall to preserve MESSA coverage.

Now the Charlevoix Education Association is carrying the MESSA torch in contract negotiations with the school board. Thankfully there's no current talk about recalls or strikes, but school administrators and residents would be wise to closely monitor the situation.

We at the Education Action Group (educationactiongroup.org) strongly encourage the Charlevoix school board to stay on course with its plan to find reasonably priced quality health coverage for teachers and support staff.

We also encourage the residents of Charlevoix to back their elected school board members as they battle to preserve precious dollars at the bargaining table. They need your support now more than ever, as they struggle to do the right thing for the district, its students and taxpayers.

Kyle Olson

Vice-president of Education Action Group, Muskegon

own graphics—with a factory sponsorship for one year.

Kudos to John Curtis for developing, maintaining and promoting the new ter

rain park at Mt. McSaubia, which is what this whole event was about—showcasing the best park in northern Michigan.

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Prevention specialist Kristen Fetting (far left) with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan offered information on the Substance Abuse Free Environment anti-drug program with student members Emily Mielke and Lynzie Gotshall during Charlevoix High School's first ever college night on Tuesday, March 17.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

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She shoots for a living Local lady turns army photographer

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

One local young woman is truly seeing the world... through the eye of the camera lens.

Now a United States Army Documentation and Production Specialist, Phoebe Allport is on a six-month tour taking pictures for Uncle Sam in Afghanistan.

"I do a lot of office work viewing, correcting and sending photos to the Pentagon where they decide whether they want to put the photos on their military Web sites, or just stick them in their massive archive for later use," Allport stated in an e-mailed response to Courier questions.

Allport, who has been stationed in Bagram, Afghanistan since January, graduated from the army's photojournalism school in April, 2008 and was stationed in Fort Meade with the 55th Signal Company, a combat camera outfit known as the

most active and most deployed camera unit in the world.

Allport's mother LuAnn Griffin said she was quite surprised when her daughter enlisted.

"It is still hard to believe that my only daughter has been through tear gas chamber and is now in a war zone on the other side of the world," she said. "She is confident, focused, I'm hoping the overall experience leaves her the same sweet, talented, gentle woman I knew before she enlisted."

While the change of ideas in occupation may have come recently, Allport's desire to serve has been around for a long time.

"I had been interested in the military as a little kid watching movies and hearing about real people that had served," she stated. "I originally wanted to join the Army Band, but they were looking for people that were higher educated in that field (with) master's degrees."

Allport was 18 years old



and had recently graduated from Northwest Academy in 2007 when she made the choice to enlist in the army.

"I went back through the list of jobs I could pick from and we came across the documentation and production specialist, which is the long term for combat camera," she stated.

Allport added that she has yet decided whether to leave the military when her six-year contract expires or remain.

"It just depends on the places I'm able to go and the job openings I can get as a

military photographer," she stated.

Allport said basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. from July through September 2007, was not exactly what she was expecting.

"You always see those movies where the training is all hard and muddy and yelling coming from everybody, but in reality it wasn't all that bad," she stated. "We did PT (physical training exercises) every morning for about two hours. Every day after PT was a different experience: We would do hand-to-hand combat training outside in the grassy areas; weapons training at the ranges; first aid training here and there; drill and ceremony whenever we could."

Following basic training, Allport attended advanced

individual training in Maryland at Fort Meade where she took a four-month class in both still photography and video documentation.

Allport is slated to come back to the United States in July, so long as the group set to relieve her team arrives on schedule.

"I try to talk to my family members by phone when ever I get the chance and I've been getting letters of support from family and friends back at home," she stated. "My husband, Evan Malkowicz, is back at Fort Meade living in a two-story unit with our three pets. He's also in the army as a combat medic... working at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research near the D.C. area."

Allport said she maintains

contact with her husband via cell phone and computer, her father, James Allport, lives in Boyne City.

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Becky Blissett and Patrick Mallon

The wedding will take place on May 24, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix.

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

More than a decade of drawing and painting has paid off for 13-year-old Pauline Sheets.

The seventh-grader was not only accepted to Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp in Twin Lake, but she also received a full scholarship to pay for it all.

"I'm really excited," Pauline said. "I've been doing this for as long as I can remember."

Pauline's mother Barb Sheets said her daughter began her art career by creating the family Christmas cards.

"She chooses the theme and designs the Christmas cards," Barb said. "She uses all sorts of mediums to draw and paint — she's just kind of exploring right now."

Pauline will spend two weeks in the middle of April at the 1,300-acre arts camp in Manistee National Forest.

"It's two weeks of art, music, dancing, acting and

they've got an orchestra and a band," Pauline said.

Barb said before Pauline was accepted and awarded the tuition, the middle-schooler had asked if she could pay for the camp herself.

"I'm very proud of her, and she's ecstatic," Barb said. "It's all we're hearing about; she cried when she found out she was accepted."

While Pauline enjoys drawing, she said painting with her grandmother was

most enjoyable.

"I like to do animals and landscapes," she said. "I go out with my grandma and paint the beach or in her garden."

Pauline enjoys art so much, she dropped hand so she could begin art classes one year early.

"I like it a lot — art class at school," she said. "It's a good way to get your feelings out."

For more information on the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp scholarship program call (800) 221-3796 or e-mail nickinger@bluelake.org



Pauline Sheets

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people

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New Deal Film Festival.

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OBITUARIES

Robert D. Paul: August 7, 1935 - March 15, 2009

Robert D. Paul, 73, of Charlevoix, died Sunday, March 15, 2009, at the Grand Traverse Band Charlevoix County Reservation.

He was born Aug. 7, 1935, in Mancelona, and has spent his life in northern Michigan.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

In 1995, Robert retired from Harbor Industries in Charlevoix after 31 years. He later worked as a greens-keeper for the Charlevoix Country Club.

Robert belonged to the Eagle Clan of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

He enjoyed fishing and camping and spending time in the outdoors.

He was a family man and loved his grandchildren.

Robert is survived by his daughter, Jacqueline Paul; step-daughter, Janet Stainbrook;

step sons, Elwood "Boj" Stainbrook all of the Grand Traverse Band Charlevoix County Reservation, Anthony Stainbrook of Boyne City; grandchildren, D.J., Rosie, Christopher, Joshua, Anthony, Jennifer, and Julia; sister, Mary (Philo) Garza of Charlevoix; brother, Stanley (Samantha) Sineway of Mt. Pleasant; and his partner in life, Helen Paul.

Funeral was 2 p.m., Thursday, March 19, at the Winchester Funeral Home, Joe Mitchell and the Medicine Lodge Drummers participated.

Visitation was from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Those wishing to make a contribution in Robert's memory may do so to any organization working toward bettering the lives of cancer victims, and to finding a cure.

Mary I. Towsley: August 22, 1919 - March 19, 2009

Mary I. Towsley, 89, of Charlevoix, died Thursday, March 19, 2009, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

Visitation will begin at noon on Monday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, followed by a funeral service at 2 p.m.

The Reverend Michael Feischer of the Bethany Lutheran Church will officiate.

Burial will take place later this spring in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Mary was born Aug. 22, 1919, in Newberry, the daughter of George and Mary L. (Devine) Perry.

On April 10, 1937, she married Wm. Harold Towsley in Charlevoix.

Mary was an active member of the Bethany Lutheran Church in Charlevoix where she served as church treasurer and taught Sunday School for many years.

She was a Licensed Practical Nurse and worked at Little Traverse Hospital in Petoskey.

After retiring, she continued to work as an in-home caregiver.

Mary loved being a mom and grandma.

She enjoyed singing and would make up songs about everyday life and things.

Mary is survived by her sons, Allan (Loretta) Towsley of Charlevoix, Roger (Betty) Towsley of Sand Lake, Stanley Towsley of Eckerman; fourteen grandchildren, twenty-four great-grandchildren; numerous step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Mary's husband Harold preceded her in death on March 7, 2008, and her daughter Vera on June 19, 2008.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

DEATH NOTICE

Mary Ellen Browe

Mary Ellen Browe, 72, of Mancelona, died Saturday, March 21 at Kalkaska Memorial Health Center. Visitation is 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 24.

Funeral is 11 a.m., March 25 at Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth; the Rev. David Baker officiating; Burial will be in Helena Township Cemetery.

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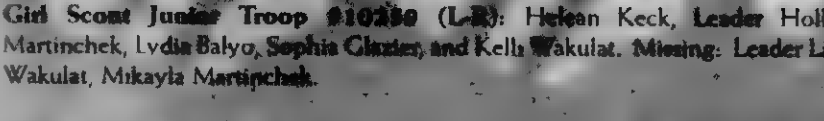
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix falls to McBain

STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

The Charlevoix boys' basketball team got a second chance at McBain on Wednesday.

Ironically, it would be second chances that would plague the Rayders throughout their Class C regional final.

McBain simply dominated on both ends of the glass and used multiple second chance opportunities to their advantage en route to claiming a second straight Class C regional title, 77-60, over Charlevoix at the Gaylord High School gym.

McBain, 22-3, ended Charlevoix's season for a second straight year.

"I have the utmost respect for (Charlevoix coach) Keith Haske and his team," McBain coach Bruce Koopman said. "I think the headline for our team was our team effort."

Wednesday's regional meeting was the sixth over the past eight seasons McBain and Charlevoix have met in the postseason, and with the win McBain evens the series at

3-3.

"We've been banged up all year, but our kids really stepped up tonight," said Koopman, who's team knocked out Charlevoix in a regional semifinal last season. "We know Charlevoix is usually going to get their little runs off their press and we had to make sure we didn't quit and we did a good job of doing that."

After building a 33-27 half-time advantage, McBain took firmer control of the game in the third quarter thanks largely to offensive rebounding.

Junior forward Ryan Hoekwater stuck an offensive put-back and sophomore forward Cody King added an inside shot as McBain's lead grew to 46-36 late in the third.

The Ramblers then outscored Charlevoix, 6-2, in the final minute as senior forward Garrett Sterk, who finished with a game-high 25 points, added another offensive put-back to make it 51-39 going into the fourth.

"When you play McBain, I know one thing and they're

going to shoot the ball up there and unless you don't put a body on people, they're going to beat you," Haske said.

"I thought in that third quarter, we were terrible as far as rebounding the ball goes," added Haske. "I think out of 10 baskets they had, eight of them were on second of third shots."

Charlevoix cut the deficit to 10 points, 51-41, early in the fourth, but couldn't get any closer as the Ramblers continued to dominate on the interior and put the game away at the free throw line.

Sterk shot 7-of-8 from the stripe in the fourth quarter, while Hoekwater was 5-of-8 from the line down the stretch as McBain outscored the Rayders, 26-21, the final eight minutes.

"This type of game was really tough on you because you're playing tough defense on them and forcing them into tough shots, but they're getting rewarded because they're crashing the boards," Haske

said.

Also for McBain, who finished 23-of-35 from the free throw line, senior point guard Caleb Sluter finished with 17 points, Hoekwater added 15, while King, playing in his first game in more than two weeks because of mononucleosis, provided a spark off the bench and finished with 10 points.

"I hate offense," joked Koopman. "Every year as a coach I feel I'm stupid when it comes to offense, but I love what we do defensively and I love what we do rebounding the ball."

"The guys off the bench were huge for us and we made some free throws," added Koopman. "We didn't shoot well from the line on Monday, but we put a nice orange dot at the center of the line here tonight and that helped us."

For Charlevoix, who closes a 19-5 season, senior point guard Thomas Parrish had a team-high 19 points and six assists, while senior forward Justin Frieke added 16 points and seven rebounds.

Also for the Rayders, senior guard Weston Bryan had 10 points, six rebounds, three assists and seven steals.

Charlevoix collected 16 total steals off their patented full-court press, but finished with just nine defensive rebounds.

"Actually, I felt great at halftime because we were getting the shots we wanted, but not a lot of them fell," Haske said. "They had a couple of threes that banked in and had some shots where I thought OK, they've had their deal and we'll come out in the second half strong like we have all tournament."

"But second shots killed us in the third quarter," Haske added. "We couldn't get anything going because they'd get the ball back and keep putting it back up."

The Rayders shot 9-of-24 (38 percent) from the floor in the second half and finished 21-of-58 (36 percent).

"If we could've made more shots and added more pressure, that mounts up," Haske said. "We just couldn't get to that point, especially in the first half."

The Rayders, who've won 10 district titles and six regional crowns since 1999, lose seven seniors to graduation in Parrish, Frieke, Bryan, Brock Yenglin, Jon Putman, Scott Silberhorn and Collin McDonough.

"It was a great group of guys and a tremendous group of kids to coach," Haske said. "The seniors especially. They're just great kids and the nicest group of kids to coach."

"I'm proud of what they've done and how they've represented the community well. They've kept the streak and tradition of Rayder basketball alive. I'll tremendously miss the seniors. They've been great over the years."

SPORTS reviewing the action



Charlevoix senior forward Justin Frieke (center) reacts on the bench after fouling out in the closing minutes of the Rayders' Class C regional final loss to McBain Wednesday at the Gaylord High School gym.

Give Your Investment Portfolio a Spring Cleaning

Ben Muladore
Financial Advisor

Spring is almost here — time to spruce up your house and get rid of your clutter. But this year, don't confine your spring cleaning to your home and yard. Why not "freshen up" your investment portfolio at the same time?

Of course, you can't just take a mop and broom to your brokerage statement. But some of the same principles that apply to your basic spring cleaning can work just as well when you tidy up your investments. Consider the following suggestions:

- Take an inventory of your belongings. If you're like most people, you've got some things lying around your house that have outlived their usefulness. It might be that lawn mower that died in 2004 or the toaster

that warmed its last slice during the Clinton Administration, but whatever it is, it's beyond repair — and it should go. And the same may be true of some of your investments. If one hasn't performed the way you had hoped or no longer fits into your long-term goals, this might be a good time to speak with a financial advisor.

- Dispose of your duplicates. If you went through your house carefully, you might be surprised at how many items you have that do the same thing. Do you really need two colanders? And how many radios can you listen to at one time? If you looked at your investment portfolio the same way, you might be surprised by some of the redundancies that pop up. For example, you may have several stocks issued by similar companies that make similar products. This might not be a concern when the stock market is booming, but it could be a definite problem if a downturn affects the industry to which these companies belong. Always look

for ways to diversify your holdings. While diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, it may help reduce the effects of market volatility.

- Put things back in order. Over time, and almost before you're aware of it, the spaces in your home can get "out of balance." Perhaps you have too many chairs in one corner, or maybe your new desk takes up too much space in your home office. With some rearranging, however, you can get things back in order. The same need for rearrangement may apply to your portfolio, which might have become unbalanced, with too much of one investment and too little of another. This situation could undermine your financial strategy, especially if the imbalance means you are taking on too much risk or, conversely, if your holdings have become too conservative to provide the growth you need. So, look for ways to restore your portfolio to its proper balance.

By giving your portfolio an annual spring cleaning, you can help make sure it's up-to-date, suited to your needs and well-positioned to help you make progress toward your key financial goals. And you can do it all without going near a dust cloth.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by Benjamin Muladore, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones located at 702 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. He can be reached at 547-2166 or e-mail him at ben.muladore@edwardjones.com.

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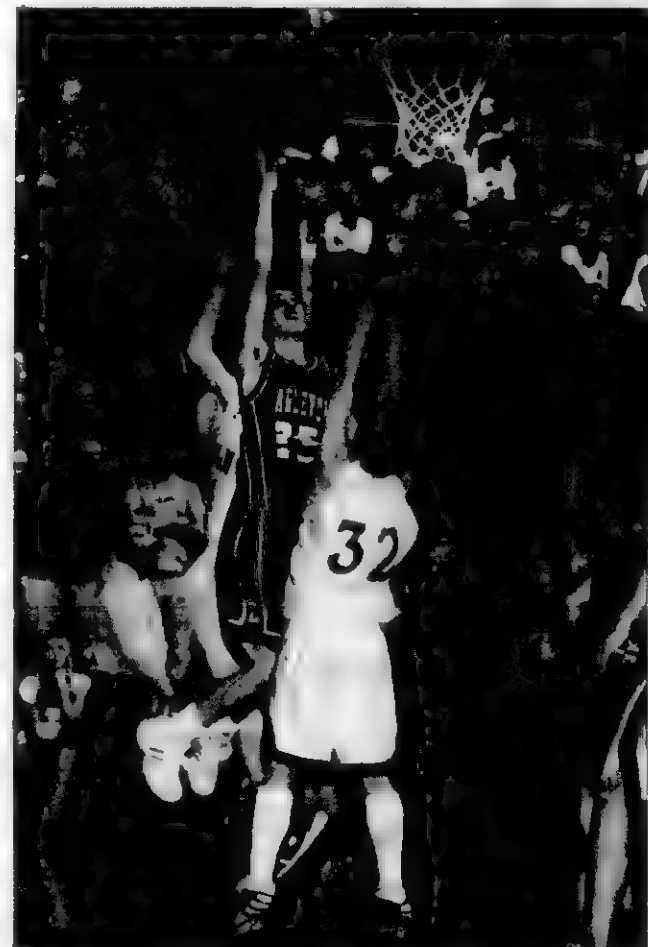


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Number 25 Thomas Parrish, a Charlevoix Rayder guard gets over a McBain defender during play on March 18. While Parrish was his team's high scorer that evening with 19 points, it wasn't enough to beat McBain, who took home the regional trophy. The final score was 77-60. See more pictures from the game at www.MChrisLeese.com.

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Artist Kathy Mays stands in front of her exhibit "Eye Contact" with her husband Jonathan at the Charlevoix Circle of the Arts at 109 Clinton St. in Charlevoix. The art exhibit runs now through April 4.



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Steven Lake and Alicia Whennen use a goose and a duckling to retell the story of the Little Red Hen during their readers' theater at Northwest Academy on Friday, March 13.

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A redcoat bearing a musket speaks to Charlevoix Elementary School students on March 20, outside the school. Third grade students were treated to an interactive presentation on Michigan History by reenactors from Fort Michilimackinac, in Mackinaw City. Students learned about fur trading and life in colonial times in Michigan. Students interacted in hands-on activities including trading furs, dressing in colonial costumes, starting a fire with flint, dancing and seeing a colonial-era musket shot.

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U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) announced that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has awarded a \$247,641 federal Community Health Center grant to the East Jordan Family Health Center.

"This funding will help the East Jordan Family Health Center continue to provide health services in Charlevoix and Antrim Counties," Stupak said. "I am pleased the Department of Health and Human Services has provided this funding to sustain vital health services in our communities at a time when they are needed most."

The East Jordan Family Health Center was created in 1976 to address the lack of local health service providers.

Initially serving the City of East Jordan and surrounding townships, the organization has grown to serve most of Charlevoix and Antrim Counties, with satellite offices in Bellaire and Central Lake.

More than 10,000 patients receive care at the center annually from six full-time physicians and four full-time physician assistants.

Nearly 40 clinical support and administrative employees are also employed by the center.

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Esperance Market to open restaurant Nine, world flavors on menu

ENJAMIN GOHS
DITOR

A thousand wines, house made pate and the relaxed floor plan of an old world cafe awaits you at Esperance Market and Restaurant. Step onto the slate floor and walk along the giant planters made of oak barrel slats lined with red from the wine they hold—and yes, all those ants are real. "The store is now just over eight years old and we're adding a new venue, a seasonal menu," said Pram Acharya who owns and operates Esperance with his wife Suzanne. As things become available locally, we'll be working with local produce farmers and products. He added, "Right now we have maple glazed duck, and

the maple syrup is from Currey Farms here in Charlevoix."

Seating for 50 is now available in either the cafe style tables or at the glass-topped, hardwood bar which contains photos and other memorabilia of the Acharya's, wine and food.

Ask what will be on the menu and things get a little tricky.

"We're exploring. It's going to be ever-changing, but we have fresh made spring rolls, empanadas—one of the salads is prosciutto and arugula—and we're doing shrimp with a fresh herb risotto," Suzanne said. "It's just a lighter, fresher approach. I think everybody's eating a little more health conscious and more and more as we've worked in the industry we've seen people want fresh ideas."

Market hours, beginning

with the April 14 grand opening, will remain 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday; cafe hours will be Noon to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and Saturdays Noon to 6 p.m., though if someone walks into Esperance at 10 a.m. and wants a cup of coffee and a piece of cheese, Pram and Suzanne will gladly oblige.

Reservations for lunch and dinner are suggested and group events are available, but call ahead for availability.

"It's all about the last bastion: Service," Pram said. "You can find everything everywhere these days online, but you won't get the service."

Esperance is located at 12853 US 31 North, Charlevoix.

Call 237-9300 for reservations or more information or visit esperancewine.com.



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Suzanne Acharya of Esperance Market and Cafe gets ready for the lunch rush during Esperance's preview opening on Thursday, March 19. The restaurant will officially open for business at noon on April 14.

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Michele Norling of Elk Rapids buys a bottle of olive oil to make a dipping sauce from Suzanne Acharya's oldest son and Esperance Market and Cafe manager Tim Tebeau. Esperance Owners Suzanne and Pram Acharya plan to open the market's new restaurant at noon on April 14.

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Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5, Block 16, Nicholls Second Addition to the Village of South Lake, now city of East Jordan except three (3) feet off entire South side of said Lot 5, Block 16.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 11, 2009

For more information, please call FC J 248 593 1311. Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys For Service 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525. File #250693F-01 (L-3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/01)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jesse D. Conklin a/k/a Jesse Conklin, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Countrywide Home Loans Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2003, and recorded on May 29, 2003 in Liber 543 on Page 171, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two And 62/100 Dollars (\$76,252.62), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 16 and 17, Block A, S. G. Isaman's Addition to the Village of South Lake, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 36, Charlevoix county records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 18, 2009

For more information, please call FC X 248 593 1302. Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys For Service 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525. File #220092F02 (L-3/18, 3/25, 4/01, 4/08)

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made December 31, 2005 by Michael R. Turcott II and Rebecca A. Turcott, husband and wife, as mortgagor, to St. Francis X. Federal Credit Union, as Mortgagee, and recorded on January 24, 2006, in Liber 727 and page 746, Charlevoix County Records and the entire balance secured by said mortgage having become due and payable to reason of the acceleration provisions contained in said mortgage and the note secured thereby, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice principal and interest in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Five and 85/100 (\$55,465.85), and no other legal or equitable proceeding have been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by the mortgages, and the power of sale contained in the mortgages having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, April 17, 2009 at 11 o'clock a.m., in the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, the premises described in the mortgages, situated in Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan and described as follows:

Lot 4, ROE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2, of Plats, Page 266

This sale is for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid on the mortgages, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including the attorney fees allowed by law and in the mortgages, and any sums subsequent to the date of this notice to protect its interest in the premises. The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from date of sale.

Dated: February 23, 2009
St. Francis X. Federal Credit Union
Mortgagee/Lender
224 State Street
Petoskey, MI 49770
Kurt M. Koblijak (P45297)
PENTUIK, COUVREUR & KOBILIAK, P.C.
Attorney for Mortgagee/Lender
PO Box 1748
Petoskey, MI 49770
(734) 261-7100
(L-3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by KELVIN G. JOHNECK and CINDY L. JOHNECK, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2007, and recorded on April 19, 2007, in Liber 800, on Page 268 and partial release of mortgage recorded in Liber 836, page 677 Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due

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at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Forty-Four Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$372,044.58), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

PARCEL "F" IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BAY, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEGINNING AT A T-IRON STAKE AT SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF CHURCH ROAD, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST 526.70 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 549.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST 750.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE EAST 1/8 LINE OF SAID SECTION, AS MONUMENTED; THENCE ALONG SAID 1/8 LINE NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 742.34 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE SOUTH 1/8 LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE ALONG SAID 1/8 LINE NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 1269.11 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE WEST LINE OF BAY NORTH ROAD; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID 1/8 LINE NORTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE ALONG SAID SECTION LINE, ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST 1328.05 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM

IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BAY, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT A T-IRON STAKE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION, NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 57 SECONDS WEST 581.99 FEET, BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION, NORTH 0 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE WEST LINE OF BAY NORTH ROAD (A/K/A HORTON BAY ROAD); THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SOUTH EIGHTH LINE, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST 33.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE EAST EIGHTH

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 5, 2009

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450 Southfield, MI 48075 (L-3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/01)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S ESTATE

FILE NO. 09-011345-DE

Estate of Sally Ann King Bennett Date of Birth: August 13, 1930

THE DECEDENT, Sally Ann King Bennett, died October 27, 2007. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Thomas A. Bennett, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State St., Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 03/18/2009 Scott T. Beatty (P24202) 111 State St. Ste. 1 Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231)547-4059

Thomas A. Bennett 409 W. Garfield Street Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231)237-7844 (L-1)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S ESTATE

FILE NO. 09-0113-20-DE

Estate of Elizabeth J. Pressprich, deceased DOB: 03/14/1926 TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Elizabeth J. Pressprich, who lived at 14223 Patty Berg Drive Fort Myers, Florida, 33919, died September 06, 2007. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to William A. Pressprich, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: March 25, 2009 Thomas M. Schraw (P46540) 116 Water Street Boyne City, MI 49712 (231)582-2252

William A. Pressprich 14223 Patty Berg Drive Fort Myers, FL 33919 (231)675-7774 (L-3/25)

STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FAMILY DIVISION CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NOTICE OF HEARING TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

FILE NO: 09-001122-AY

In the matter of Aleena Michelle Kline, adoptee, To: Andre Scott Kline, 16980 Old Joe Moran Road, Kilm, Mississippi 39556. TAKE NOTICE: On April 15th, 2009 at 1:30, in the 7th Probate court room, County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI before Freder-

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ick Mulhauser, Circuit Court Judge Family Division, a hearing will be held on the PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS. The law provides that you should be notified of this hearing. If you fail to appear at this hearing YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS MAY BE TERMINATED.

DATED: March 25, 2009

Tracy Hellebuyck 2405 Rogers Road East Jordan, MI 49727 (231)582-6466 (L-3/25)

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and a portion of Hayes each pay an annual one-tenth of a mill millage to pay for EMS; and Marion, Norwood and Eveline Townships each pay four-tenths of a mill annually for fire fighting services.

A financial statement by Charlevoix City Fire Chief Paul Ivan shows the City of Charlevoix pays 70.4 percent of the costs not paid for by insurance companies, but the city only constitutes 40.6 percent of the ambulance runs.

Conversely, Charlevoix Township — based on 2008 numbers — accounts for 35.5 percent of ambulance runs, but pays 12.5 percent of the costs not covered by medical insurance.

This apparent disparity among end users and those who pay for the services has prompted Straebel and Ivan to work on proposals, not only to combine fire services with Charlevoix Township, but to also consider raising EMS rates.

"The question is: How

do you logically spread the cost so those who are using the services are paying for them?" Ivan said. "We haven't re-negotiated the contracts yet because we were reluctant to negotiate before we looked at the possibility of a consolidation effort."

Charlevoix Township Fire Chief Curt Thompson said his fire department and the township officials might be more willing to consider consolidation if there were any potential positives for them.

"This is why the board (Charlevoix Township) sent a letter to the city saying they were not interested in participating in a study to combine the two depart-

ments," Thompson said. "Charlevoix Township doesn't have a problem with what they're spending on their fire department and ambulance services."

He added, "Somebody is going to have to show Charlevoix Township how it would benefit them. It would benefit the city, but it would just cost the township more money for no better coverage than what they have already."

Ivan said the sharing of equipment would save the city and township thousands of dollars each year.

The matter is expected to be discussed at either the 7 p.m. April 6 or April 20 city council meeting.

March is Colorectal Cancer Screening Month

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560 W. Mitchell St. M-40, Petoskey, MI 49770 231-487-2391

Your colonoscopy can be scheduled at Northern Michigan Hospital as well as Otsego Memorial Hospital. Call Today!

Official Notice

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SYNOPSIS

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 - 9:30 a.m.

Commissioners Room 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. All Commissioners were present.

• Motion approved the minutes of the February 25, 2009 minutes as presented.

• Motion approved adoption of the Emergency Plan for the County Building Effective in May or June.

• Motion approved Charlevoix County pulling out of S.A.N.E. if Eric Kiser is chosen by the S.A.N.E. Board as special prosecutor.

• Motion approved Civil Counsel to proceed with the feral swine matter.

• Motion approved Resolution #09-023: Approve County Expenses for February.

• Motion approved Resolution #09-024: Amend Animal Control Capital Outlay Budget and authorized the Clerk to amend the budget accordingly.

• Motion approved Resolution #09-025: Property Classify Alcopops as a Mixed Spirit Drink and End the Sale of Energy Drinks Premixed with Alcohol.

• Motion adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

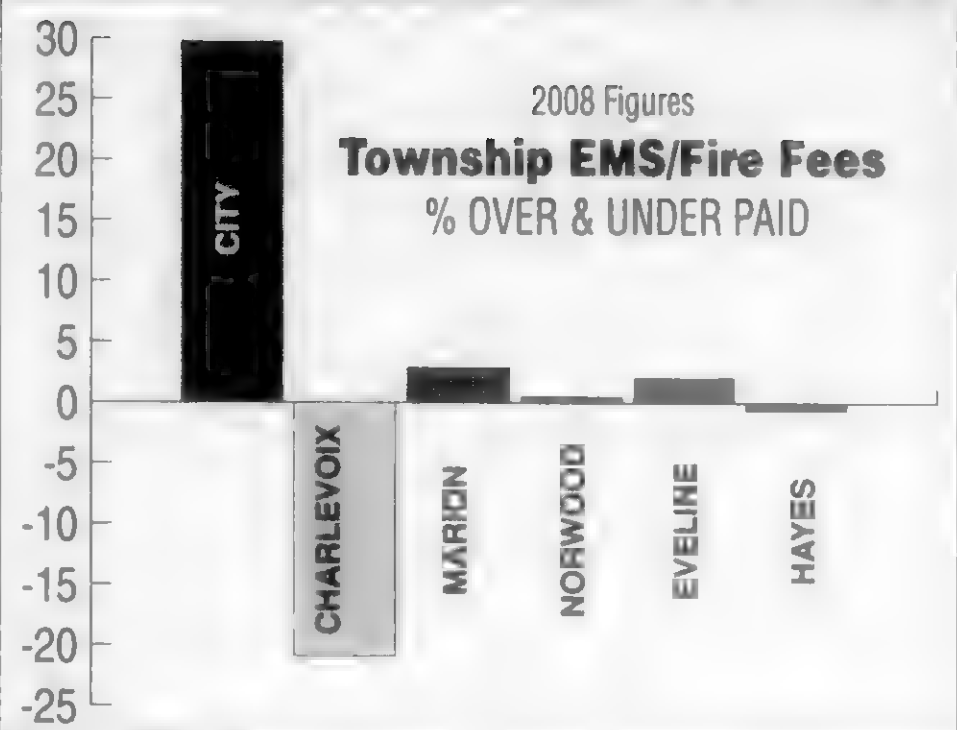
Cheryl Potter Browne, County Clerk

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Official Notice

Summary of Charlevoix Township Phragmites Ordinance The Township of Charlevoix Ordains: Ordinance No. 1.75 of 2009

Legislative Finding and Purpose of Ordinance.

Phragmites is an invasive species whose spread is not halted by traditional legal boundaries between parcels. Although Phragmites seeds can cause a small amount of spread, most reproduction is accomplished through runners growing along the ground. A single stand of Phragmites can spread 30-50 feet per year through these runners. If left unchecked dense Phragmites stands can block views of Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix and make beaches inaccessible, which can lead to a decline in tourism and property values. In addition, the spread of Phragmites can drive out native plant species thereby destroying beneficial wildlife habitat. As a result, the purpose of this Ordinance is to provide procedures intended to comply with federal and state due process requirements so that all property along the Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix shoreline with a Phragmites infestation can be included in a Phragmites eradication zone, and can receive effective Phragmites treatment. By including all property along the Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix shoreline with a Phragmites infestation in the Phragmites eradication zone, this Ordinance will help maximize the effectiveness of the Phragmites treatment, thereby eliminating or reducing the adverse impacts of a Phragmites infestation.

Phragmites Infestation; Written Report; Right to Access Property; Consent; Administrative Search Warrant.

Unless the Township Board directs otherwise, the Phragmites administrator shall annually conduct an inspection of all Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix shoreline property within the Township for the purposes of identifying all parcels on which a Phragmites infestation is present. The Phragmites administrator shall submit a written report of his or her findings to the Township Board no later than the Township Board's regular June meeting. The Phragmites administrator shall have the right to access all shoreline property within the Township for the purpose of conducting the Phragmites inspection. However, before entering onto a parcel to conduct the inspection the Phragmites administrator shall obtain written consent from the property owner for any such inspection. If the property owner fails to provide written consent to the Phragmites administrator of the physical inspection of the parcel, then the Phragmites administrator shall not enter onto the parcel unless authorized to do so by an administrative search warrant issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Phragmites Treatment; Cost.

Following the receipt of a permit from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) authorizing Phragmites treatment on the parcels within the Phragmites eradication zone, the Township shall engage the services of a professional authorized to engage in Phragmites treatment. The cost of the Phragmites treatment shall be paid for as determined by the Township Board.

The effective date of this ordinance shall be the day following its publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

A complete copy of the Ordinance is available at the Township Hall at 12491 Walter Rd.

Carol Martin, Clerk Charlevoix Township, 3-16-09

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Official Notice

LITTLE TRAVERSE TOWNSHIP ADVERTISEMENT FOR ASSESSOR

Little Traverse Township is seeking resumes for an Assessor. It is the intent of the Township to hire an at will employee, or contract with a qualified person, public agency, or private firm for the purpose of supplying the Township with the entire assessment function as prescribed in the General Property Tax Act.

Additionally, the Assessor may be required to review and make recommendations on Land Division applications as required in the Land Division Act, P.A. 288 of 1967 as amended.

The Township has approximately 2650 parcels, 5423,000,000 SEV, and contains approximately 18 sq. miles. A job description and further information is available by contacting the Township Office at 526-0351, or the Supervisor at 347-9686.

Resumes should be received by 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 31, 2009 at the Little Traverse Township Hall 8288 S. Pleasantview Road Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Little Traverse Township employment and contract practices are based on job qualifications without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, height, weight, disability, or any other classifications protected by applicable law.

William P. Dohm, Supervisor

(L-3/18, 3/19, 3/20, 3/25)

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.arcnlm.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: preventing disease transmission.

Hockey tryouts

Call the Traverse City North Stars Girls Travel Hockey team for registration and tryout information at (231) 218-0182 or visit www.tchockey.com.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Bolts show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarek and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to

create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix: Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at . Call 547-4221 for more information;

Fibromyalgia support group

11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International

ness Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

AAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Historical society museum winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

A statewide writing contest

Celebrating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday deadline is April 4. Full details are available at www.milcoln.org.

The essay themes are broken out into two categories: Grades 5-6: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (What President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Mean to Me) Grades 7-8 and 9-12: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (How President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Inspire Me Today)

For more information, contact the Michigan Commandery at (616) 827-3369 or patrioblu@yaboo.com.

All entries must be postmarked by April 4, 2009 and mailed to:

Lincoln Bicentennial Essays
MOLLUS Michigan Commandery
P.O. Box 888281
Grand Rapids, MI 49588
-East Jordan men's fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

• Using the Computer for Genealogy Research, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 24, \$10 fee. Registration required, 237-7340. This is an introductory class on how to use the computer for personal genealogy research.

• New Deal Film Festival

Hope for the Future, 2 p.m., March 25, Original film footage from the 1930s government project.

• Advanced Techniques in Genealogy Research, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 31, \$10 fee. Registration required, 237-7340. Learn to use the Internet's free and fee-based sites for family history research including research in other countries.

• New Deal Film Festival: Building the Safety Net, 2 p.m., April 1, Original film footage from the 1930s government project.

MARCH 26

El ambulance grant ceremony

The public is invited to attend the 11 a.m. loan/grant-handing ceremony of \$130,000 in U.S. Department of Agriculture monies to the City of East Jordan for purchase of a new ambulance on March 26 at East Jordan City Hall, 201 Main St., East Jordan.

MARCH 27

St. Mary fish fry
Come dine on fried or baked fish, fries or baked potatoes, coleslaw, lemonade, coffee or water and desert for \$8. Children's mac and cheese dinner for \$4. From 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Winter hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

• Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays

• Healing H'Arts - now through April 5

• Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18

• Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16

• Call for submissions for the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle show. Open to two or three dimensional artwork or furniture formed from recycled materials and artwork with an emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Call (231) 373-6033 for more information.

MARCH 21

Traveling to and from Canada by boat or car

The Tip of the Mitt Sail and Power Squadron is sponsoring a free seminar on the requirements needed to cross the US/Canadian border by boat and by land or friends or family who may be visiting you. Changes have been made, so this is your opportunity to learn about them and make your travels trouble free.

Personnel from the US Customs and Border Protection office in Sault Ste. Marie will present the requirements and answer questions at 1:30 p.m. in the community room of the Charlevoix Public Library on Saturday, March 28. This two-hour seminar is open to everyone. Reservations are requested by contacting Bob D'Alcorn at

547-2651

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

547-6901, or bjcharlevoix@chartermi.net.

MARCH 29

There will be a Buddhism meeting in at 11 a.m., March 29 in Charlevoix with refreshments following. Call Jeanne at 547-5593 or Donna at 675-1548 or visit www.sgi-usa.org for more information about the organization.

MARCH 29

Concert and potluck
At 7 p.m., March 29, Don Julin & The Neptune Trio will perform at 15794 Paddock Road, Charlevoix. Cost is \$10. Call 547-6945 for more information.

For more band info go to www.neptunequartet.com

MARCH 31 THROUGH MAY 31

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

• March 31 - "Kiss your Gas Goodbye - Living Well in the New Economy" from Richard Heinberg, America's foremost Peak Oil Educator. An informative look at energy transitions, substitution, and economic relocalization.

• April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours - A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

• May 26 - The COOLFUEL Road trip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great Family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Aus-

tralian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered-car and go bio-powered drag racing.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 2

Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and the movie Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Girl Scout cookies

Other order taking ends May 31. Cookie booth sales will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Kmart in Charlevoix from April 24 to May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsmists.org or call (866) 566-7434.

Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each package to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps.

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APRIL 9

Blood drive

Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Charlevoix High School in the gym. Call 547-3222, extension 2008 or e-mail gcherry@rayder.net to reserve a time or for more information.

APRIL 16, MAY 14

Swirl at CTAC

Meet new people, educate your palate and live up your Thursday evenings with Flavors of Portugal. Swirl mixes wine, music and art at Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m.; refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when available.

Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

APRIL 15

Plant sale

Whether you live on the waterfront or simply want to experiment with the use of native plants in your landscape, the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council's native plant sale offers six kits. Each kit is a collection of five different species with the same site requirements. Kits include 12 to 32 plants each and are priced at \$60 or \$80 per kit. Call 347-1181 to request a brochure or visit www.watershedcouncil.org for color photos and descriptions and order forms. Orders must be received by April 15. Plants will be available for pickup on June 6, 7, 13 and 14 at the Emmet County Fairgrounds.

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NWA Kindergarten round-up

From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 16 at Northwest Academy of Charlevoix, 115 West Hurbit, St., there will be a Kindergarten round-up for parents to en-

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190

Bergmann Center seeks donations

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Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an

appointment, call the church office at 547-6430

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant

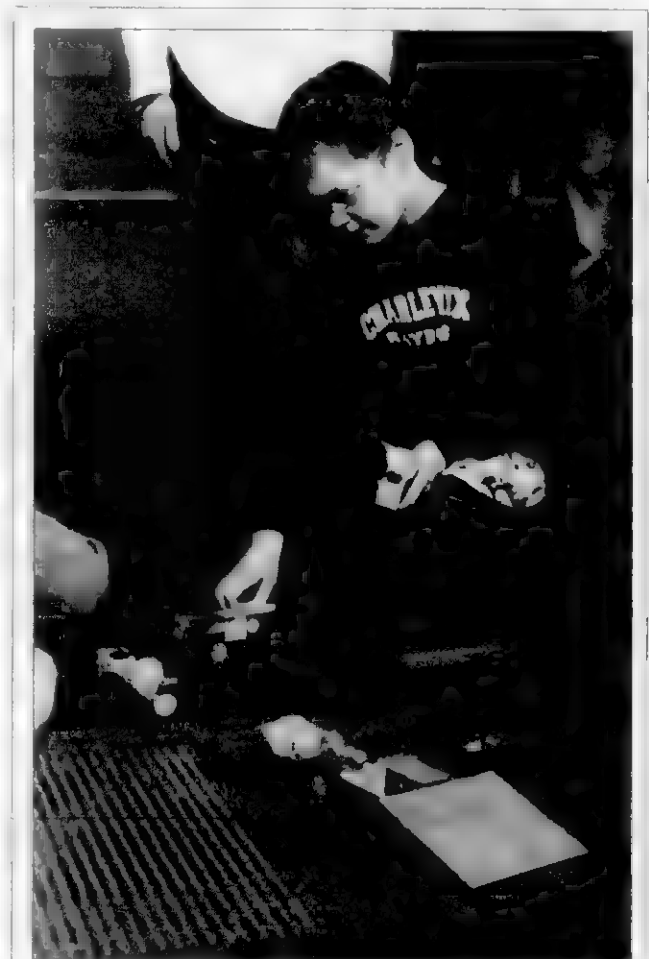


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LEGO Battle

Keon Taylor, a Charlevoix Elementary School third-grader pits his LEGO robot against two other contestants during the LEGO Battle Bot workshop hosted by educational group All About Learning on Saturday, March 21 at the Charlevoix Public Library. Response to the program was so overwhelming that additional time slots for youngsters to learn about, build and battle their LEGO robots were added throughout the day.

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, March 16, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present.

The following proceedings took place:

Motion passed awarding the 2009 power line tree trimming contract to Nelson Tree Service Inc.

Motion passed approving the purchase of a 2009 Crown Victoria Interceptor Pursuit vehicle from Signature Ford for \$21,153.

Motion passed adopting the Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy.

Motion passed approving the Seasonal Employee Handbook.

Resolution 2009-03-02 adopted Wave Launch/Parking Fees for the Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament.

Council also discussed informational kiosks and a community survey project with the City Planner.

Motion passed to enter into closed session at to discuss CWA union negotiations.

Council adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street

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Emergency food/shelter grants awarded

Char-Em United Way and the Local Board of the federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program just completed distribution of over \$80,000 in federal funds to support local food and shelter programs in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties.

United Way is the local administrator of the federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP).

The Local EFSP board met recently to review requests for funds and award grants. Emmet County agencies received a total of \$47,365 which will be distributed to the Women's Resource Center, Salvation Army, Manna Food Project, Brother

Dan's Food Pantry, Harbor Springs Community Food Pantry, and St. Francis Church.

In Charlevoix County \$32,672 has been awarded to the Women's Resource Center, Salvation Army, Manna Food Project, Good Samaritan Family Services, East Jordan Care and Share, and the Seventh Day Adventist Boyne City Community Service Center.

"We are grateful that we had nearly 14 percent more funds to distribute locally this year," said Martha Lancaster of United Way and Chair of the Local EFSP Board. "The funds to provide emergency shelter and food come from the Fed-

eral Emergency Management Agency and are distributed to counties based on unemployment rates. The good news is that more funds were available locally; the bad news is this confirms that our local unemployment rates have increased significantly."

The awards were made by a Local Board that is chaired by United Way and includes representatives from the Salvation Army, American Red Cross, Temple B'Nai Israel, Catholic Human Services, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians, both County Commissions, the Department of

Human Services, both Community Foundations, and the Nchemmah House.

"These funds will be used to expand the capacities of these local agencies to meet emergency needs for food and shelter," Lancaster said. "Demand on local pantries and agencies providing rent and utility assistance have increased as much as three-fold over the past year. The EFSP helps meet that need, and United Way is pleased to make this possible by administering the program."

For more information, contact United Way at 487-1006 or info@charunitedway.org.

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Sailor to see world

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

It isn't a dream, a wish or a hope. Sailing around the world will soon be reality for sailor Gary Dawson.

While the veteran charter boat captain and sailor isn't sure why he bought his first sailboat decades ago, he is certain that he must begin his upcoming seafaring adventure.

"It's not a huge decision," Dawson said of sailing around the world on a trip which could take as many as five years. "It's something I've always wanted to do — it was something I knew I was going to do."

He added, "There's an old saying: 'God laughs at men

who make plans.' But, the timing was just right, and something has been guiding me my whole life. Call it whatever you want, but things have just fallen into place. I can't even explain it — it's a beautiful thing, really."

Crew Dawson will make journey with his brother Mike and one other friend on a 55-foot South African-built boat named "Shellette."

The crew of three plan to set sail by leaving April 7 from Key Largo off the Florida Coast.

Shellette will then travel to the Panama Canal, possibly stopping off in Belize if there

is time, before heading to the Galapagos Islands, sailing through French Polynesia.

"Then, about the end of November, we'll head down to New Zealand to get out of hurricane season in the islands (Polynesia) and hang out in New Zealand for four to five months 'til hurricane season is over," Dawson said.

The crew will eventually sail to Australia, India and perhaps Japan and China.

"We'll spend four to five months in Australia, then work our way up the north end of Australia and then head to Indonesia, Malaysia, that whole region," Dawson said. "Our

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Country Club reopens, under new ownership

JULIE WITTHOFT
NEWS-REVIEW

The Charlevoix Country Club will once again be open to the public for dining and golf.

David Mocini, 53, who most recently spent five seasons as general manager and director of golf at True North Golf Club in Harbor Springs, purchased the 18-hole golf course and 13,000 square foot clubhouse with associated restaurant, tennis courts and pool amenities, on March 11 from the club's founders.

The founders maintain control of the residential properties and real estate.

"The location is great and the community is one anyone would like to spend time in," Mocini, a former Michigan Professional

Golfers Association (PGA) president, said. "These are tough economic times and we understand there are challenges everywhere and in particular in golf. Being in business in Michigan is a challenge. But northern Michigan remains a unique attraction."

Mocini plans to take the club in a new direction — opening the golf course and restaurant facility to non-members.

"And as we do that we will continue to provide for members and encourage them to utilize the facilities as much as they would like to. They are an important part of this operation," he said.

Mocini estimated current total membership at the Charlevoix Country Club to be around 150. He would like to see membership climb to around 200 by the

end of the coming summer season.

The award-winning Jerry Matthews, design championship golf course moved to private status in January 2007 in a decision former owner Kip Thomas said he made to better serve members.

"As a semi-private club, we were trying to serve a variety of constituents. As a private club we will be able to totally focus on improving the private club experience for our members," Thomas said in a previous interview.

In December 2008, just under two years after moving to a private model, under economic pressure, Thomas decided the property back to the club's founders, nine Charlevoix resi-

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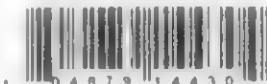
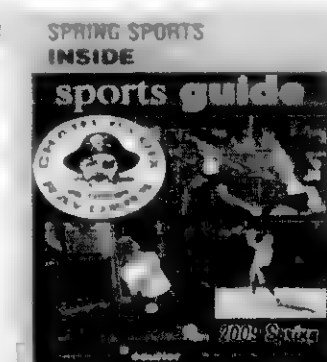
No joke

No, it's not an elaborate April Fool's joke, the Charlevoix Alano Club, Serenity House and home of various 12-step programs like Alcoholics Anonymous is moving meeting locations temporarily beginning after the noon meeting on April 1 for renovation. The temporary meeting location will be at the Beacon Center across the alley from the Alano Club's back building. Patrons are asked to help carry furniture and other items to the temporary location so renovation of the restrooms and kitchen can begin. The Alano Club, which nearly a year ago demolished the old two story house which for years housed meetings, will begin breaking ground this spring on a new facility at the same address. Call 547-9184 for more information.

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Cats and People Get Nine Lives



A LOOK
AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

when his blood sugars climbed past 700.

Some of us would already be in a coma with those numbers, but not Dale. This incident followed on the heels of a fall on the ice just the day before.

Still full of enthusiasm, and happy to have a listening ear, he began to share things of interest that occurred in brief time frame.

This past Fall he and his Model T took a hit from a car that pulled out in front of him. I

A cat has nine lives, or so they say. I wonder how many we have.

I pondered this question when I visited Dale Boss after his decision to visit the hospital.

There are numerous individuals in our community who are still very active in their senior years, I count myself among them.

For research sake I wanted to check the similarities that existed among those of us that were active.

It came down to this: knowing your sugar and/or cholesterol levels, getting regular massages and daily exercise even if for 15 minutes a day.

If you've not had a blood test in a while maybe its time to make that part of your spring regimen.

So simple to do and it follows the old adage, "an ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure." In Dale's case as with many of us, as we get older we may develop Type 2 diabetes which is really quite common.

Your body doesn't make or use insulin well.

Symptoms to look for are: fatigue, unquenchable thirst, weight loss and blurred vision. Knowing your number on this is important.

Nothing beats the need to move and flex those joints of ours, even if it's to walk down the street and back.

Health books have noted that farmer's and gardeners live longer and healthier because of their strenuous activity level. The next healthy exercising group is individuals who practice the art of Tai Chi as they experience fewer colds and flu symptoms.

I decided to ask my fellow gym mates why they use all the shiny equipment and walk for thirty

minutes going nowhere.

They responded with the following: Exercise increased their energy and metabolism plus improved their sense of well being, self-esteem and reduced stress. Sounds like pretty good reasons to be active to me but it might make for fewer counseling clients in my office.

Individuals who receive regularly scheduled massages never cease to amaze me.

Ask anyone who has a healthy parent 90 years plus and it may be from human touch.

The need for human touch has been documented for centuries.

Whether you hug members of your family, your friends or a furry pet at home, it can make the difference in your outlook and blood pressure.

For the widow or widower who may not get the frequent hand holding, hugging and closeness they experience in marriage a massage by a certified massage therapist will help release endorphins to quiet their pain of loss.

A massage helps maintain physical, mental and emotional

well being and calms the nervous system.

They also reduce tension, anxiety and improve blood circulation.

Therapeutic effects are cumulative, the more often you get one your body will respond positively.

Dad started getting them shortly after mom passed away.

When I moved him up here after he broke his neck, the general feel coming from his doctors on his time left here on earth was

under six months.

That was over two years ago. Jenn Evans, massage therapist extraordinaire, has given him no expiration date. He may forget what he had for breakfast but he never forgets which day he gets his massage.

So I have come to the conclusion that we do get nine lives and maybe more if we just follow all of this good advice. So to kitty cats everywhere I say, "Move over we've found out how you do it."

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LETTERS to the editor

ALANO APPRECIATIVE

Editor

In February 2006 members of the Serenity House-Alano Club of Charlevoix entered into a dialog with the city of Charlevoix to discuss plans for our property at 106 Mason St. The board of direc-

tors of the Alano Club had been considering options that would better serve the needs of the membership as well as the community at large.

Things remained stalled until City Manager Rob Straebel was hired in 2007.

In December 2007 The

Alano Club again met with Mr. Straebel as well as the mayor and DDA members to try to get things going on this project.

From that point on our city administration has been a model of helpful cooperation as we navigate the various committees and departments

necessary for a project like this. From city utilities to zoning to council and committee members, every person that we have dealt with has bent over backwards to aid us with this venture. Most notable among many has been City Planner Mike Spencer.

From researching existing zoning codes and historic precedent to waiving application fees for this non-profit (501c3), Mike has been our pilot through the often confusing maze of regulation.

Soon, with the blessing of the city council, The Se-

renity House-Alano Club of Charlevoix will move into a new home at 106 Mason St.

We would like to thank, in advance, all those who have helped us along the way.

Richard O'Leary
Board Chairman, Serenity House-Alano Club of Charlevoix

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MESSA has also received national recognition for the third consecutive year for the superior efficiency and performance of its East Lansing-based Member Service Center by The Center for Customer-Driven Quality™ at Purdue University and BenchmarkPortal.

MESSA plans often cost less than comparable plans. Many school groups have come to MESSA to save money on their health insurance.

Pinckney schools are going to save more than \$330,000 in the first six months of this year alone.

Like all Michigan citizens, educators have shared in the state's economic pain. Area school employees are making significant sacrifices to help districts balance budgets and preserve quality education.

They've bargained less-costly health plans and shouldered more costs, saving Michigan school districts more than \$500 million in the past four years.

MESSA has also done its part: Our average rate increase over the past three years has been under four percent. Many districts are paying less this year for health insurance than they were three years ago.

MESSA has also used more than \$140 million from its reserves to reduce rates for school districts.

If anything, MESSA's reserve levels are a sign of how quickly and drastically school employees have cut and sacrificed benefits to help their employers.

MESSA has its critics, like

recent Charlevoix Courier letter writer Kyle Olson. Olson's rants are a lot like Alabama Sen. Richard Shelby's recent attacks on Michigan's auto companies and workers. They are equally extremist and disrespectful to Michigan citizens and to MESSA.

MESSA is fully transparent. We share our annual report with the public and the media, including Charlevoix Courier editors, every year.

Amazingly, for all his carping, Olson hides his

funding sources.

He refuses to publicly disclose who is funding his activities.

It's no secret why area teachers are passionate and loyal to MESSA. We are the best value in the market.

But, most importantly, having a MESSA plan helps successful school districts recruit, retain and build strong, talented staffs.

Cynthia Williams,
MESSA Executive Director

Northern Michigan Reads Three Cups of Tea

Charlevoix Public Library, in conjunction with the Little Traverse League of Peace and Freedom (LTLFP), is sponsoring a community wide reading of Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin's book *Three Cups of Tea*.

The community discussion will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2009

in the library community rooms. Members of LTLFP will be on hand to offer suggestions for ways community groups and/or individuals can help support Mortenson's cause.

The Charlevoix Public Library proudly invites all members of the northern Michigan community to join in this worthwhile discussion.

For more information about this event, contact the library at 231.237.7340.

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Benjamin Gohs

"I have a bone to pick with you," my old mother would say when she was miffed over what ever nonsense I'd whipped up.

Well, after listening to a relatively new commercial on my favorite FM rock station over the last few days, I have my own bone to pick.

The commercial starts off by telling the listener they've probably heard about the shrink-

ing newspaper. The announcer goes on to say radio is far superior to newspaper when it comes to connecting with your audience—I'm not going to debate which medium is the best way to get your advertising message to the potential customer.

I've always believed that a good advertising campaign involves all forms of media: Radio, TV, newspaper, Internet and even word of mouth.

That being said, it wasn't so much that the station was hoping to capitalize on the decline of some small and large newspapers both near and far that bothered me. I think it was the gleeful tone with which he delivered his message of death that really got me steaming.

Hey, I get it. Some people love to see others fail. Case in

point: I was talking with a local business owner just last week who said while inventory was a little thin during winter, some customers asked if they were closing—again with a bit of glee in their voices.

The radio announcer went on to say that the small business Web site was the newspaper of the 21st Century. Really?

Knowing that TV is still the number one way to reach a broadcast audience, I understand radio's desperate hope to claw any revenue it can from what it hopes is an out-of-date product, but to try and convince the baker, mechanic, insurance salesman, T-shirt seller, landscaper, doctor, municipal worker, politician, school teacher, nurse and grocer that they have the time, or inclination to at-

tend county, township, city and committee meetings; that they have time at the end of their busy day to take pictures of school and community events; that they could or would want to live without opinions from local columnists, local sports coverage and a community bulletin board for events, wedding announcements, births and deaths?

I found the commercials insulting not only to me as someone in the news business, but also to our advertisers.

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Women's Resource Center planning for annual fundraiser

The Women's Resource Center will host its third annual fundraising luncheon on Wednesday, June 17 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. In preparation for the occasion, the Women Can/Women Do luncheon committee met recently at Castle Farms.

The event, the Women's Resource Center's major campaign in Charlevoix County, will feature the

work of up to 30 area designers, each responsible for the theme and decoration of a table for eight guests. Charlevoix County women who attended last year's luncheon raised \$28,000 for the WRC which serves women and families in need in five northwest Michigan counties. Luncheon guests donate a minimum of \$150 at the event catered by Grey Gables.

Anyone interested in attending the luncheon or hosting a table should contact the WRC office at (231) 347-0067 no later than April 15.

Table designers for the Charlevoix County luncheon include: Kathryn Lobenherz, Linda Boss, Charlevoix Circle of Arts; Kim Richelle; Chad Allen, Fabricator; Lois Williams, A Touch of Spring, Florist; Angela Savard, Angela Savard Interior Design; Leslie and Paul Neilson, ball living imports; Jan Phillips, Bartlett's Home Interiors; Megan McCormick, Boyne USA, Solace Spa; Jan Ruback, Boyne Valley Garden Club; Janelle Langmaack, Castle Farms; Rhea Dow, Margaret Heath, Linda Weston, Charlevoix Area Garden Club; Donna Looze, Charlevoix Area Hospital;

Marlene Grotfelty, Cycling Salamander Fine Art Gallery; Karen Brennan, Deer Creek Junk; Jill Rowley, Design Works; Nancy Suzor, Patty Stalker, Elements; Angie Mackie, Janice Pizii, Gold Mine Resale Shop and Gold Mine North; Sue Miller, Hearts to Holly; Julie Cross, Interior Design; Kay Seelye, Kilwin's of Charlevoix; Liz Glass, Lake Street Market; Gary Marvin, Marvin's Gardens; Kris Rundblad, MerryMakers; Lisa McCormack, Karl Davis, Petals; Robin Mauer, Rainbow Thrift

Shope; Cheri Leach, Raven Hill; Diane Dupert, Round Lake Book Store; Judy Wagner-Worgess, The Backdoor, flowers and gifts; Jennifer Aenis, The Inner Structure Interior Design.

Charlevoix County Women Can/Women Do Luncheon Committee members include: Kathy Lame, chairperson, Jean Van Dam; Carole Vial; Nancy Porter; Trish Wright; Pat Poinneau; Chris Kempton; Brandy Malpass; Denise Schlitt; Jan Mancinelli and Deb Smith of the Women's Resource Center.



Photo by Benjamin Gohs

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Tips to help get your free event coverage

Ensure your press release gets to the top of the pile by adhering to the following formatting:

- Submit all photos and press releases to the Courier office or via e-mail by no later than noon, the Friday before publication.

- Keep information brief and to the point.
- Avoid submitting information in all capitals.
- Time, date and place of event must be in that order: Event name at 7 p.m., Feb. 12, at the place event was or will be held.
- The earlier you submit releases, photos or story ideas, the better the chance those items will appear in a timely manner.

Charlevoix Courier seeks to continue working with and serving the community by publishing information about community events.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Wang - Moore

Ronald and Linda Moore of Charlevoix announce the engagement of their son, Eric Moore, of Kaohsiung, Taiwan and Charlevoix, to Chen-Yun Wang of Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

The groom-elect is the daughter of Dong-Chi and Mong-Er Wang of Kaohsiung. She is a graduate of Fortune Junior College and Foo-Yin University, and is employed as a trainer

and materials developer for American Magazine Company, Taiwan.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Charlevoix High School and Michigan State University. He is employed by several entities as an ESL educator, trainer and presenter.

The couple have set a wedding date of Sept. 5, 2009, at the groom's parents' residence in Norwood Township.



Chen-Yun Wang and Eric Moore



Matt Bosio and Beth Arnold

Arnold - Bosio

Margaret and Rick Arnold of Charlevoix, and David and Margie Bosio of Wausau, Wisc. are announcing the engagement of daughter Beth Arnold and son Matt Bosio.

The couple plans to wed at Antrim Dells Golf Club in early June.

The bride-elect is a 2002 Charlevoix High School graduate and a 2002 graduate of the Institute of Natural Therapies Massage in the Profes-

sional Therapist Program. She is self-employed and a part-time employee of Lifespa of Lifetime Fitness.

The fiancée is a 2000 graduate of Wausau East High School and a 2008 graduate of University of Minnesota at summa cum laude with a B.S. degree in computer science. He is employed as a software engineer by Beckman Coulter, a clinical diagnostics and biomedical research company.

Are you ready for Park Ave' Prowl?

Charlevoix's Alcove Café owner Rachel Wright did extensive historical research over the past few years on the corner of Bridge Street and Park Avenue where her business is located.

This led to further research up and down Park Avenue that resulted in both a Web site and a walking brochure that describes her discover-

ies. Rachel will be presenting a program on what has become known as the Park Avenue Prowl for the Charlevoix Historical Society at 7 p.m., April 7, at the depot on Depot Beach. Assisted by Georganna Monk, she will describe how she went about her research and relate the stories she

uncovered about the buildings and people encountered along the way.

Light refreshments will be served.

Donations toward the Society's program fund will be appreciated.

For more information call 547-0373 or visit the prow! Web site at www.charlevoix-parkavenue.com.



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Pictured (on left) is the Morris J. Stockman house, built 1869, and the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix at State Street, both of which are part of the Park Avenue Prowl.

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Ask the Tech Guy
Thursday, April 2, 10:00 - noon
Bring your laptop and questions for assistance from the tech guy - volunteer assistant, Roger Gowell

Story Time
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Books with a Bite
Tuesday/Thursday, April 7 & 9, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Learn the basic functions of this word processing program.

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Saturdays @ the Movies:

Free Willy
Saturday, April 11, 2:00 pm
Come with your friends and family, eat popcorn and enjoy a family favorite. Free Willy!

Northern Michigan Reads
Three Cups of Tea
Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 pm
Community wide discussion of Greg Mortenson's widely acclaimed story of his life's mission to build schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

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TAG
Thursday, April 14, 1:00 pm
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OBITUARIES

Charlotte I. Kline: March 8, 1930 - March 27, 2009

Charlotte I. Kline, 79, of Charlevoix, died Friday, March 27, 2009 at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

She was born on March 8, 1930 in Detroit, the daughter of Lewis and Grace (Green) Ingram. She graduated from Redford High School in 1948 and Michigan State University in 1952.

Charlotte volunteered at the Rainbow Shoppe in Charlevoix and the Women's Resource Center in Petoskey. She was the Volunteer Spouse

Abuse Coordinator for the Women's Resource Center Safe House. She also taught women Divorce Adjustment classes. Charlotte was a member of the Charlevoix Women Bridge Club.

Charlotte loved fast cars, traveling, gardening, cooking, photography and entertaining. She loved and enjoyed her sons, grandchildren, great grandchildren and friends. She was known for her philanthropy.

She is survived by two sons, Richard H. Kline, III

and Lewis Ingram Kline, both of Charlevoix; four grandchildren, Jessica Covell and her husband, Ryan, of Northville, Adam Richard Kline and his wife, Jill, of Charleston, South Carolina, Trevor Lewis Kline of Charleston, South Carolina and Logan Weston Kline of Charlevoix; three great grandchildren, Sean Covell, Marley Covell and Tristen Richard Kline; and one sister, Grace Lucille Ingram of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Funeral services will be

held on Friday, April 3, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Father Jerry Hunko of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix will officiate. Entombment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit, Michigan.

The family will receive friends on Thursday from 5:00 to 9:00 P.M. at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Memorials may be given to the Women's Resource Center Safe House or the Alano Club in Charlevoix.

Commission on Aging progress report

The Commission on Aging (COA) Board has conducted an organization and program review to determine progress made since the 2007 assessment was conducted by outside consultants.

The detailed reviews, which included a comprehensive report compiled by the COA staff, addressed performance and accountability throughout the COA operations. The findings were presented to the County Commissioners on March 18.

The report consisted of three parts: An organization review of internal processes including human resource systems, administrative processes and measuring, tracking and analyzing programs; a programs and services review of accomplishments and issues for each program offered by the COA; and a

board review of achievements and concerns. It is the first annual report of COA performance, which was identified as a COA board responsibility during work last summer with David Emmel, the organization development consultant.

Highlights of the report include many accomplishments over the past two years including: hiring of a full-time in-home coordinator to oversee training and scheduling of direct care workers; conversion of several part-time workers to full-time; partnering with the Preservation Association of Beaver Island to provide senior center meals and activities on the island; establishment of an overall client satisfaction survey which is tracking at 98 to 100 percent satisfaction with COA services; expansion

of adult day services from three to five days a week; and major improvements in the Boyne Area and County (East Jordan) senior centers. The COA and Charlevoix Senior Center boards have established a positive working relationship in our joint effort to provide senior center services in the Charlevoix area. A new volunteer program has just been approved with a full-time volunteer coordinator.

Units of service have increased from 49,968 at the end of fiscal year 2005 to 86,628 at the end of fiscal year 2008 - a 74 percent increase. Currently there are 344 in-home clients that receive services including meals on wheels, personal care and homemaking. Staff has increased by 32 percent to 26 part-time and 11 full-

time today

Efforts are underway to better measure programs and client satisfaction through improved information management.

A marketing plan is being developed to include marketing research, media planning and marketing strategy. Some organization restructuring will allow for improved performance management and communications.

A strategic plan is presently under development to establish timetable program and spending plans that take into account expected revenue over the short and long term. Effective execution of plans will be carried out with the COA's new mindset for looking beyond local practices, programs and minimum standards for achieving the highest quality outcomes.

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

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Sunday School & Child Care Provided 10:00 a.m.
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Brothers compete in Jr. Olympics

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

How do you get from Mt. McSaubia to Winter Park, Colo.?

Practice, practice, practice.

"I was 2 years old the first time I skied," said Charlevoix's 13-year-old Gunnar Lundteigen who recently competed in the Junior Olympics in Colorado. "I just really love it and it was really cool."

Though Gunnar fell a couple of times while racing down the super giant slalom, he managed to finish in 12th place out of 113 athletes from around the country.

"I met a lot of nice people and really enjoyed the experience," Gunnar said.

Gunnar's brother, 11-year-old Garret also competed in ski competition at this year's Junior Olympics.

"I finished 81 out of a hundred," Garret said. "I wasn't really ready for how fast the hill was."

He added, "I got some experience out on the hill and it was fun for me because there were so many kids out there."

The boys' mother Michele Lundteigen said, while she is proud of her sons' accomplishments, they had a humble start.

"Both boys started on our septic tank in the backyard when they were 2," she said. "Since then they've been pretty active at Mt. McSaubia ski hill here."

The boys' father Erik Lundteigen said it is nice to see his boys excel in a sport he has loved for many years.

"When I grew up, I did a lot of skiing and ski racing," said Erik Lundteigen. "Skiing is something you can do all your life—it's really a family thing."

Competition occurred from March 17 to 21.

"There were a lot of great skiers there who were focused and determined, and you just know these racers have been out in the cold and bitter days and missed school dances and went home to do homework," Michele said. "This is what our future is and that's what I was excited about."

Garret said he hopes to qualify for the event next year.



Garret Lundteigen's older brother Gunnar is pictured competing in the giant slalom race where he placed seventh against more than 100 skiers from around the country during the 2009 Junior Olympics in Colorado.

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Gunnar said he will continue working toward his goal of competing in the adult Olympics some day.

"Just try it. Do your best and practice a lot," Garret said to any kids who have never tried skiing.

Erik said he is very proud of his kids for qualifying and working so hard to make it to Colorado.

He added, "I just can't say enough about Mt. McSaubia—I love that place to train; it's the greatest; you're up and down the hill and getting a lot of practice runs."



Garret Lundteigen of Charlevoix rushes down the slalom hill at Winter Park, Colo. during this year's Junior Olympics event. Lundteigen placed 73rd in what was his first time at the event. Courtesy photo

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Lady Rayder goes to Taylor

Lauren Mielke (front, far right) recently signed with Taylor University in Upland, Ind. where she received a softball scholarship. Mielke, a long-time Rayder athlete will be playing catcher and third base. Mielke plans to major in science education and minor in math at this NAIA Division I school. Pictured with Lauren are (front, left) her mother Martha, and (back, from left) Charlevoix schools athletic director Ann Gorney, varsity softball coaches Tony Zimmerman and Ken Hoffman, Taylor

coach Robin Lockridge and Lauren's father Tom. Lauren has enjoyed the sport since her seventh-grade year at Harbor Light Christian.

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BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A thousand wines, house made pate and the relaxed floor plan of an old world cafe awaits you at Esperance Market and Restaurant.

Step onto the slate floor and walk along the giant planter box made of oak barrel staves stained red from the wine they once held—and yes, all those plants are real.

"The store is now just over eight years old and we're adding a new venue, a seasonal fresh menu," said Pram Acharya who owns and operates Esperance with his wife Suzanne. "As things become available locally, we'll be working with local produce farmers and products."

He added, "Right now we have maple glazed duck, and

the maple syrup is from Currey Farms here in Charlevoix."

Seating for 50 is now available in either the cafe style tables or at the glass-topped, hardwood bar which contains photos and other memorabilia of the Acharya's, wine and food.

Ask what will be on the menu and things get a little tricky

"We're exploring. It's going to be ever-changing, but we have fresh made spring rolls, empanadas—one of the salads is prosciutto and arugula—and we're doing shrimp with a fresh herb risotto," Suzanne said. "It's just a lighter, fresher approach. I think everybody's eating a little more health conscious and more and more as we've worked in the industry we've seen people want fresh ideas."

Market hours, beginning with the April 14 grand open-

ing, will remain 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday; cafe hours will be Noon to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and Saturdays Noon to 6 p.m., though if someone walks into Esperance at 10 a.m. and wants a cup of coffee and a piece of cheese, Pram and Suzanne will gladly oblige.

Reservations for lunch and dinner are suggested and group events are available, but call ahead for availability.

"It's all about the last bastion: Service," Pram said. "You can find everything everywhere these days online, but you won't get the service."

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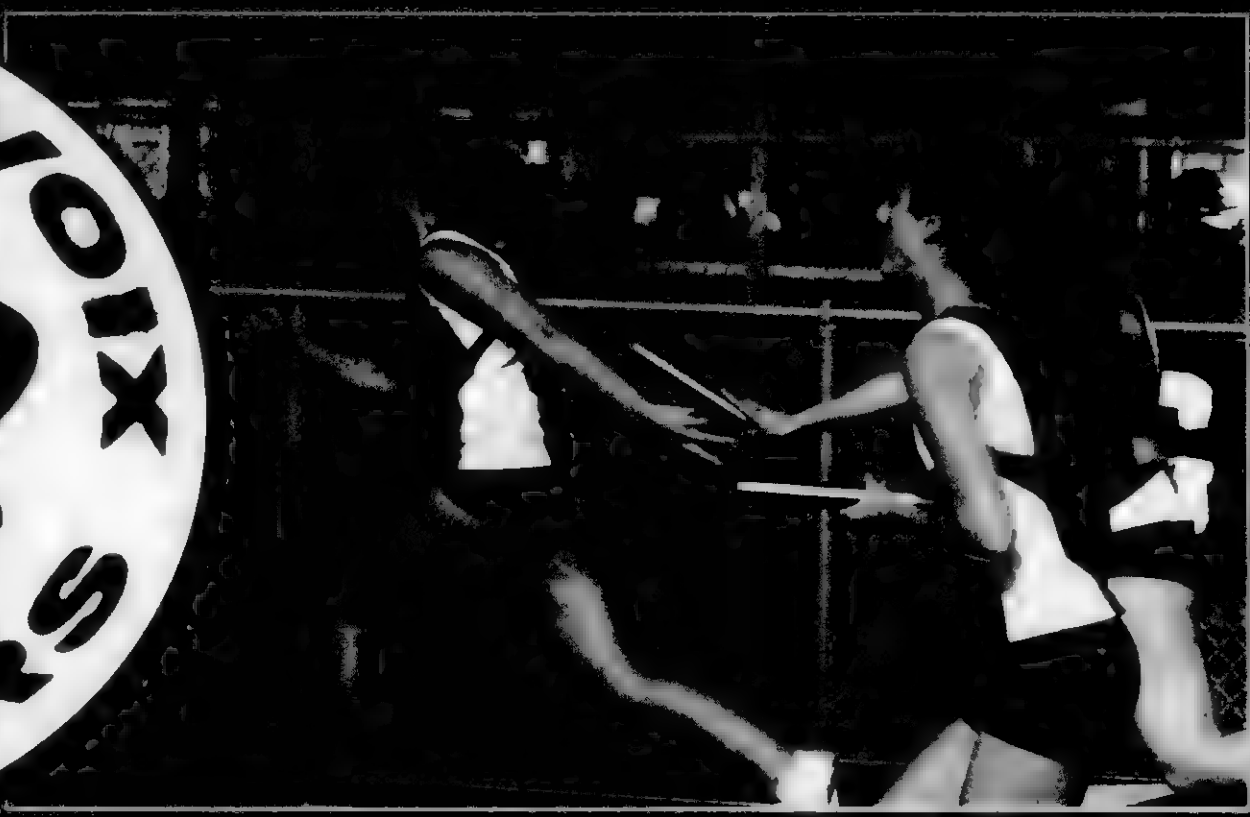
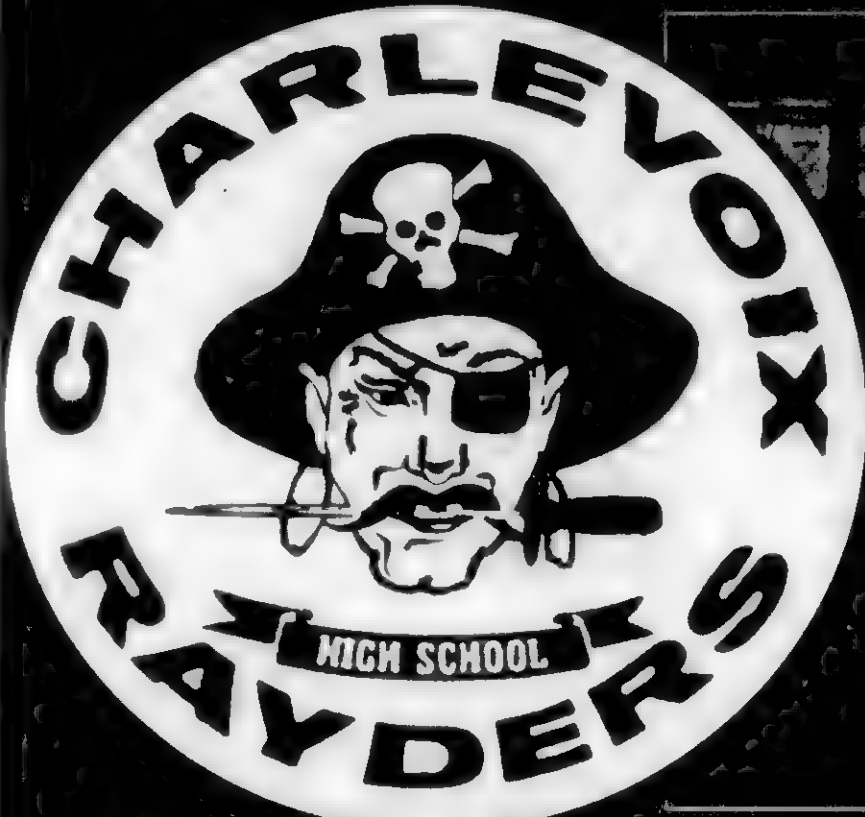
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Suzanne Achary of Esperance Market and Cafe gets ready for the lunch rush during Esperance's preview opening on Thursday, March 19. The restaurant will officially open for business at noon on April 14.

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varsity **BASEBALL**

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With no JV, varsity baseball deeper than ever

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With the majority of players in their first season on varsity, baseball coach Alan Telgenhof's team is green, but eager. "We have nine freshmen so much of our team is very young," Telgenhof said. "We have four seniors: Michael Heckendorn, Jon Putman, Drew Largent and Mike

Kras."

But, he added, "This will be the first full season on varsity for 14 of our 19 players."

Last year, Telgenhof's team finished 16-18 overall and 6-8 in the conference.

"It will be an interesting season for us with the mix of solid, very experienced players returning and all of the youth on the team," he said. "Senior

leadership will be a key for us. We have an opportunity to have a very good season, beginning with our spring trip to Tennessee."

Telgenhof added, "I am very happy that 14 of our guys are able to go, that should be a good bonding experience for the team and the warm weather will give us a great opportunity for extra practice."

Telgenhof will be assisted by Rob Harris and Matt Teuscher.

"We will be a very aggressive team on the base paths with a lot of team speed. We will shake things up for our opponents," Telgenhof said.

"Michael Heckendorn has received all-conference and all-district honors the past two seasons. Jon Putman is beginning his fourth season

on the varsity and was previously named all-conference. Clayton Mitchell was also all-conference and all-district previously."

Rayder baseball began with play on March 30 in Charlevoix, Ind. Their first home game is April 14 against Harbor Springs.

"We are playing a very challenging schedule this year

with baseball powers like Traverse City Central, Harbor Light who is ranked number one pre-season in Division 4 and Frankfort who went to the state semifinals last season," Telgenhof said. "In our league, East Jordan is always tough, coming off a great season and is highly ranked in the pre-season."

The Rayder boys' varsity baseball team is pictured (front, from left) Michael Heckendorn, Andrew Largent, Mike Kras (second row, from left) Jesse Drost, Morgan Stewart, Isaac Klooster, Andrew Potter, Will Jeakle (back row, from

left) coach Rob Harris, Josh Hogan, Jordan Farmer, Alex Waha, Coby Herriman, C.J. Kunkle and coach Allen Telgenhof. Missing from the picture are Alex Foster and coach Matt Teuscher.

varsity **SOFTBALL**

Photo by M. Chris Leese, Courier

Girls' softball hopes to make conference again

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With their second place finish in the Lake Michigan Conference now a memory, the girls' varsity softball team looks to season some young players.

Head softball coach Tony Zimmerman, associate head coach Ken Hoffman and assistant coach Courtney Kemp will work with 16 varsity players because there was not

enough interest to field a junior varsity squad.

"This season looks to be promising. It really is going to depend on how quickly the new players adapt to the speed of the game and get used to our system," Zimmerman said. "If they can get with the veteran players it is going to be a fun and exciting year—if we can't have some bumps in the road."

He added, "They are a great

group of student athletes. They work hard and we are all excited to get the season started."

Some of the team's star players include sophomore pitcher Hannah Hybl, senior four-year varsity outfielder Amber Hoffman, four-year varsity and Taylor University soigneur catcher Lauren Mielke and junior shortstop Sarah Potter.

"Our strengths are our returning varsity players. They

know the system and know what is expected of them," Zimmerman said. "The weakness will be just getting everyone on the same page."

The team has four returning seniors this season.

"All of them have solid varsity experience and we will look to them to lead the younger players throughout the season," Zimmerman said.

"We have seven freshmen on the squad this year—the most

we have had in the four seasons I have been here."

He added, "There are three that we hope will have an immediate impact for us and they are pitcher/outfielder Kristin Mielke catcher/first base Chelsie Hoffman and short stop/second base Madison Zimmerman. The other newcomers look promising and we are excited to have them on the squad."

The girls' varsity softball

team will have their first game on April 7, with their first home game against Harbor Springs.

"The toughest competition will be from East Jordan," Zimmerman said. "They have a solid group of returning players and are very experienced and as always will be Kalkaska, they are a very quality program and are a very quality program."

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Crop of seniors could help girls' soccer

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With six team members returning as seniors and five new members, the girls varsity soccer team may have found the perfect balance.

According to varsity girls' soccer coach Carol Madison, she has 16 members on her varsity and 15 on her junior varsity.

"The numbers should allow everyone to get plenty of playing time and game experience while ensuring we will be competitive," Madison said. "We are returning six starters on varsity along with five other letter winners who also saw game experience last year."

The returning starters are senior Tammy Potter in goal, who has made first team all-state; senior Meridith Rich, second team all-state at center back; senior KC McCary, third team all-state at center midfield; senior Olivia Catt at forward; senior Marnie Greene at outside back; and junior Madison Way at mid-field.

Other returning players are senior Bridget Peters, junior Caroline Dupuis, sophomore Hannah Doan, sophomore Abbey Barnes and sophomore Taylor Smith.

Madison will be aided this year by assistant varsity coach Tom Conlan, junior varsity

coach Laura Nitchman and junior varsity assistant coach Casey Wilcox.

"We lost in the state semifinals to Kalamazoo Christian who went on to repeat as state champs," Madison said of last year's season. "We had won conference for the fourth year in a row, districts for the second time, and regionals for the first time."

Madison said she is looking forward to the upcoming season. "We have a great nucleus in KC, Meridith, Olivia, and Tammy," Madison said.

"These four girls know how to win games and really came up big for us in the tournament

last season. I think they will really inspire the other girls to work hard and improve their skills."

She added, "We have great team chemistry, speed and good technical skill."

The lady Rayders soccer team will likely find tough competition from Elk Rapids and Traverse City St. Francis, but added, "in our conference you really can't overlook anyone. We also have some games with Petoskey, Gaylord, Suttons Bay and Marquette which will definitely be challenging."

The girls will kick their way into the new season on April 7.

The Charlevoix Rayder girls' varsity soccer team is pictured (back, from left) coach Carol Madison, Abbey Barnes, Tammy Potter, Meridith Rich, KC McCary, Bridget Peters, Madison Way, Bobbie Motter, assistant coach Tom Conlan, (front, from left) Rachel Boss, Carolyn Dupuis, Olivia Catt, Marnie Greene, Lacey Greene, Taylor Smith, Hailey Bills, Elisabeth Drost and Hannah Doan.



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The Rayder girls' junior varsity soccer team is pictured (front, from left) Jane Balasz, Kelly Greyerblehl, Savannah Joseph, Sarah MacKenzie, (back, from left) coach Nitchman, Megan Peters, Bekah Posten, Christine Cole, Addy Loper, Amanda Broman, Christina Russell, Lauren Bartling and, missing from the picture are Whitney Drost, Tanesha Rogers, Lily Left and Lynzie Gotshall.

varsity **TENNIS**

Photo by M. Chris Leese, Courier

Will big numbers mean big talent on clay?

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With 28 girls on her tennis team, coach Vinnie Klooster hopes to find some great talent.

The numbers are up significantly from the last two years, Klooster said.

"Large numbers means lots of interest and that is always

good for the team," she said of her four returning players now seniors and 15 new players.

Klooster, whose team finished with a record of 3-6 and won conference at number four singles, will be assisted by coach Neil Turner.

"I'm excited that so many girls came out for the team,"

she said. "Many of them are not experienced players, but that's OK."

Klooster added, "We should be able to make a good showing at the first and second singles and doubles positions, and we have some good athletes who will round out our third and fourth positions."

Some of Klooster's team leaders include Kimber Wager and Christina Miller, both singles players last year.

"They will make a tough number one doubles team this year," Klooster said. "Amy Pelon and Sam Sell are two new players we expect to play strong at our top singles

positions.

She added, "We have a good core of girls that have played on the team for two or three years now, and their experience will help our strength as a team."

The girls' first match is April 9 against the Petoskey junior varsity.

"We consider all our competition tough," Klooster said. "Since we are the newest team in the Lake Michigan Conference, we are always playing against more experienced players, but the girls do a great job of rising to the challenge."

The Charlevoix Rayder girls' tennis team is pictured (lying in the foreground) Kimber Wager and Christina Miller, (first row, from left) Bailey Chamberlain, Amanda Fritsch, Rachel Gilmore, Julia Hordsworth, Alyssa McCormack, Kelsey Way, Katie Mays, (second row, from left)

Ashly Louiselle, Madison Sayward, Joordyn Fassett, Allison Hankins, Hillary Lutz, Ally Telgenhof, (back row, from left) Lizzie Whitney, Alexandra Lobenherz, Kelsey Decoster, Megan Menosky, Rachel Cyr, Morgan McCarthy, Amy Pelon, Cassidy Stebe and Amy Waldron.

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Track, field look to 'talented rookies'

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Half of his 36-man track and field team is new.

With so many young athletes on this year's team, coach Ken Plude is hoping his new talent will perform.

"We're young and inexperienced," Plude said. "There are some very talented rookies. We'll have to see how they develop."

But, Plude added, his team is starting out about the same as they did last season.

"We were conference champs last year and we finished fourth at regionals out of 16," he said.

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will be assisting Plude this season.

Some of the teams stronger runners include senior Alex Buday, sophomore Eric Buday who made all-state last year.

Plude's only other returning senior is Bill Foley.

The Rayder varsity track and field team's strengths, Plude said, are the middle distance 800-meter, and longer distance 1600-meter and 3200-meter events.

Tough competition, the coach said, will likely come from Traverse City St. Francis and Harbor Springs in the conference and Kingsley at regional competition.

Plude's first meet was March 25 at Lake Superior State University.

The Charlevoix Rayders boys' track and field team are (in no particular order) K. Acharya, S. Belfy, Russ Bolt, John Boss, Alex Buday, Eric Buday, M. Carey, A. Devries, A. Edick, River Gauthier, Alex Gooch, Ty Haller, I. Hosper, Chris Kele, J. Kelly, B. Knoop, W. Larson, J. McLean, T. Sobleski, D. Reynolds, J. Roach, N. Salisbury, B. Shutler, L. Smith, V. Von Lou, Brock Yanglin and D. Young and missing from the picture are Matthew Batdorff, Mathew Brown, B. Foley, J. Gray, C. Hallstrom, Bill Ivan, K. LaBianco, C. Mitchell, Andrew Plude, J. Putman and J. Williams.

varsity GOLF



The Rayder golf team is pictured (front, from left) Austin Lobenherz, Chase Hall, Ty Wilhelm, Trent Bradley, Ryan Wimmer, Mike Kras, Thomas Ruel, (back, from left) Beau Boss, Connor Boss, Nick Brandt, Ty Jones, Gunner Whitley, Wyatt Drost and coach Doug Drenth.

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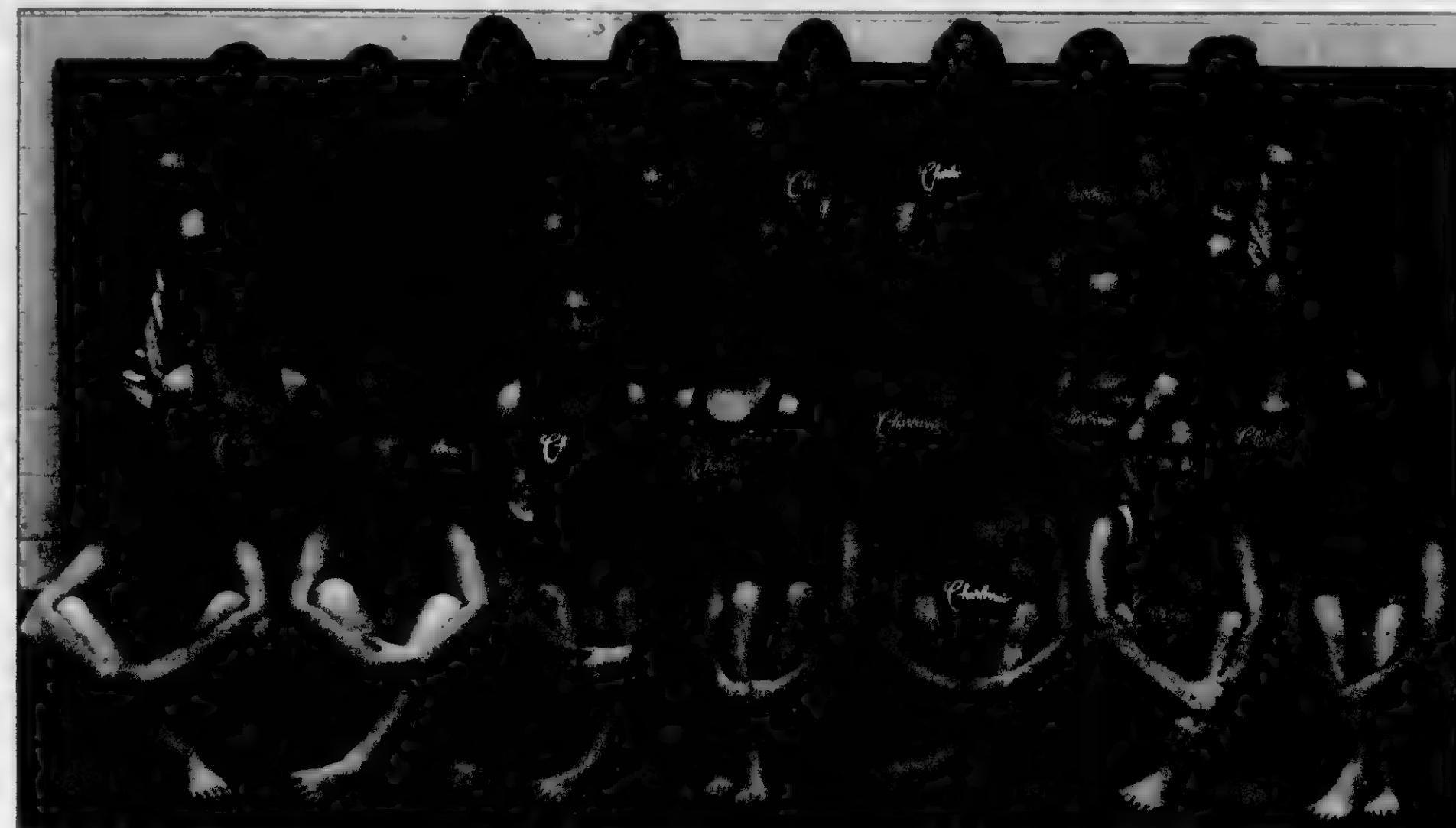


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Girls' track, field looking for third championship

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With 16 new, and 17 returning runners for a total of 33 runners, the girls' varsity track team is relatively large.

According to coach Mary Plude, those big numbers, which include six returning seniors, will only help her team's chances of winning yet another championship.

"This is the largest team for the girls in at least a decade," Plude said. "We are up by eight

girls from last year."

She added, "This will be a wonderful bonus for the team as we will be able to fill out all 17 events."

Plude will be assisted by Hal Evans, Pat Rajewski, Adam Wood, Kris Way and Becki Wimmer.

Coming off winning conference championships two years in a row and coming in fourth at regionals, Plude is confident her team leaders can help the new talent across the finish

line.

"There is a great core of seniors: Alyssa Smith, sprints, high jump and long jump; Elise Smolenyak, 200, 400-meter dash and relays; Shauna Spencley and Alyssa Belfy in pole vault; Tanya Wynkoop in the hurdles; Chantel Novotny, 200 and sprint relays; and junior Taylor Storm, sprints, relays and long jump," Plude said.

"I have a very positive attitude about this group of girls. Besides the great senior leadership, there is a strong experienced returning group of underclassmen. We have a nicely balanced team when you add in the new freshman talent."

She added, "We have at least one or two strong competitors in each event."

Plude said her challenge will be in finding the depth to fill in the third opening in each event.

The Charlevoix Rayder girls' track and field team are pictured (front, from left) Chantel Novotny, Elise Smolenyak, Shauna Spencley, Alyssa Smith, Tanya Wynkoop, Alyssa Belfy, Alyssa McCormack (second row, from left) Annie Dipert, Linnea Jelinek, Margy Bolt, Rachel Titus, Bethany Whittaker, Maddie Alden, Kristina Alden (third row, from back) Hilary Way, Andrea

Rizzo, Natalie Mussel, Alena Purvis, Stirling Witthoft, Francesca Surnam, Makenzi Kage, Karrine Smolenyak (back row, from left) Sara Wilkinson, Krista Pischnee, Madeline Jeakie, Sherry Boss, Shauna Bradley, Abby Wilhelm, Kathryn Sell, Molly Jeakie and, missing from the picture, Jenna Way, Taylor Storm and Ella Kilgore.

"We will need to work on developing the new athletes to step up to the varsity level if we are to reach our team goals," she said. "Our toughest competition will be Harbor Springs, Traverse City St. Francis and Boyne City in the conference."

Plude added, "They all come in with very balanced teams and the numbers to compete in

all events. Reigning regional champs Benzie Central and then Kingsley in the regional come with strong track traditions of winning and the athletes have very competitive spirits."

The girls' varsity track team had their first competition on March 25 at Lake Superior State University.

Good Luck Rayders!

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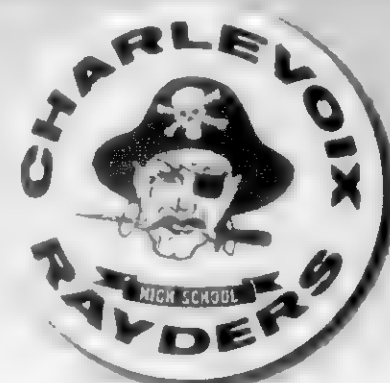
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BOYS' VARSITY BASEBALL

March 30	Monday	TBA	AT Charlestown, IN
April 7	Tuesday	4:00pm	AT TC Central
April 8	Wednesday	4:30pm	AT Leland
April 14	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE Harbor Springs
April 17	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Kalkaska
April 18	Saturday	10:00am	HERE Charlevoix Invitational
April 20	Monday	4:15pm	HERE Roscommon
April 21	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT TC St. Francis
April 24	Friday	4:30pm	AT Pellston
April 28	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Boyne City
April 30	Thursday	4:30pm	AT Elk Rapids
May 1	Friday	6:00pm	AT Clio (scrimmage)
May 2	Saturday	10:00am	AT Birch Run Middle
May 5	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Grayling
May 8	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Harbor Light Christian
May 11	Monday	4:30pm	HERE TC Christian
May 13	Wednesday	4:30pm	HERE East Jordan
May 15	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Frankfort
May 19	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE LMC League Make-up
May 21	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Gaylord
May 23	Saturday	10:00am	AT Alpena Invitational
May 26	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Pre-District
May 30	Saturday	10:00am	AT DISTRICTS
June 8	Monday	TBA	AT REGIONALS

BOYS' JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL

April 14	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Harbor Springs
April 17	Friday	4:30pm	AT Kalkaska
April 20	Monday	4:00pm	AT Roscommon
April 21	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE T.C. St. Francis
April 28	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE Boyne City
April 30	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Elk Rapids
May 7	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE TC Central
May 8	Tuesday	6:00pm	AT Mancelona
May 12	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT East Jordan
May 19	Tuesday	TBA	AT LMC League Make-up
May 21	Thursday	4:30pm	AT Gaylord

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March 25	Wednesday	TBA	AT LSSU
April 13	Monday	4:00pm	AT East Jordan
April 17	Friday	4:00pm	AT Cadillac
April 20	Monday	4:00pm	HERE LMC Charlevoix
April 24	Friday	3:00pm	AT Clare Invitational
April 27	Monday	3:00pm	AT Belaire Invitational
May 1	Friday	12:00pm	AT TC Central
May 4	Monday	4:00pm	AT Kalkaska
May 7	Thursday	3:00pm	AT East Jordan
May 16	Saturday	TBA	AT REGIONALS
May 20	Wednesday	TBA	AT Boyne City
May 23	Saturday	TBA	AT MITCA
May 26	Tuesday	TBA	AT Gaylord
May 30	Saturday	TBA	AT STATE FINALS

GIRLS' VARSITY SOCCER

April 7	Tuesday	5:00pm	AT East Jordan
April 9	Thursday	5:00pm	HERE Harbor Springs
April 14	Tuesday	5:00pm	AT Grayling
April 16	Thursday	5:00pm	AT Kalkaska
April 17	Friday	5:00pm	HERE Gaylord
April 20	Monday	5:00pm	HERE TC St. Francis
April 23	Thursday	5:00pm	HERE Boyne City
April 24	Friday	5:00pm	HERE Petoskey
April 27	Monday	7:00pm	AT Elk Rapids
April 30	Thursday	5:00pm	HERE East Jordan
May 4	Monday	5:00pm	AT Harbor Springs
May 6	Wednesday	5:00pm	AT Suttons Bay
May 7	Thursday	5:00pm	AT Grayling
May 11	Monday	5:00pm	HERE Kalkaska
May 13	Wednesday	5:00pm	AT TC St. Francis
May 14	Thursday	5:00pm	HERE Marquette
May 18	Monday	5:00pm	AT Boyne City
May 20	Wednesday	5:00pm	HERE Elk Rapids

GIRLS' JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER

April 14	Tuesday	4:00pm	AT TC West
April 17	Friday	5:00pm	HERE Gaylord
April 22	Wednesday	4:00pm	AT Cheboygan area
April 24	Friday	5:00pm	HERE Petoskey
April 27	Monday	5:00pm	AT Elk Rapids
April 28	Tuesday	5:00pm	AT NM Christian Acad.
May 5	Tuesday	5:00pm	HERE Cheboygan area
May 6	Wednesday	4:00pm	AT Suttons Bay
May 8	Friday	5:00pm	AT TC Central (CG Field)
May 11	Monday	5:00pm	HERE Gaylord
May 14	Thursday	5:00pm	HERE Marquette
May 20	Wednesday	5:00pm	HERE Elk Rapids

BOYS' VARSITY GOLF

April 16	Thursday	4:00pm	AT Inland Lakes
April 18	Saturday	12:00pm	AT Inland Lakes Bulldog Invit.
April 20	Monday	4:30pm	AT LMC TCSF @ GT Resort
April 22	Wednesday	4:30pm	AT LMC Boyne @ Boyne ML
April 27	Monday	4:30pm	AT LMC Harbor Springs
April 29	Wednesday	4:30pm	AT LMC East Jordan @ Mallard
May 2	Monday	4:30pm	AT Harbor Springs
May 4	Monday	4:30pm	AT Elk Rapids @ A-ga-ming
May 6	Wednesday	TBA	HERE Rayder Invit. @ Belvedere
May 7	Thursday	9:00am	AT Petoskey
May 11	Monday	4:30pm	AT Kalkaska @ Grandview
May 12	Tuesday	9:30am	AT Gaylord
May 15	Friday	2:00pm	AT LMC Championship
May 21	Thursday	9:00am	Grayling @ Antrim Dells
			HERE DISTRICTS

GIRLS' VARSITY SOFTBALL

April 8	Wednesday	4:30pm	AT Leland
April 14	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE Harbor Springs
April 17	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Kalkaska
April 18	Saturday	10:00am	HERE Charlevoix Invitational
April 20	Monday	4:15pm	HERE Roscommon
April 21	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT TC St. Francis
April 24	Friday	4:30pm	AT Pellston
April 28	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Boyne City
April 30	Thursday	4:30pm	AT Elk Rapids
May 2	Saturday	10:00am	AT Ellsworth
May 5	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Grayling
May 7	Thursday	4:30pm	AT TC Central
May 8	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Harbor Light Christian
May 13	Wednesday	4:30pm	HERE East Jordan
May 15	Friday	4:30pm	HERE Frankfort
May 16	Saturday	10:00am	AT Harbor Light (Waterfront)
May 19	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE LMC League Make-up
May 20	Wednesday	4:30pm	HERE TC West
May 21	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Gaylord
May 26	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Pre-District
May 30	Saturday	10:00am	AT DISTRICTS
June 8	Monday	TBA	AT REGIONALS

GIRLS' JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL

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April 30	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Elk Rapids
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May 12	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT East Jordan
May 19	Tuesday	TBA	AT LMC League Make-up
May 20	Wednesday	4:30pm	HERE TC West
May 21	Thursday	4:30pm	AT Gaylord

GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS

April 9	Thursday	4:00pm	HERE Petoskey
April 14	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT TC St. Francis
April 16	Thursday	4:30pm	AT Harbor Springs
April 22	Wednesday	4:30pm	AT Boyne City
April 23	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Elk Rapids
April 24	Friday	TBA	AT Boyne City
April 28	Tuesday	4:30pm	AT Elk Rapids
May 7	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE Harbor Springs
May 12	Thursday	4:30pm	HERE Boyne City
May 18	Tuesday	4:30pm	HERE TC Christian
May 20	Monday	4:00pm	AT Petoskey
May 29	Wednesday	TBA	AT LMC Championships TCSF
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David and Christine reside in Traverse City.

David has 18 years of automotive industry experience, 15 of which were spent at a family-owned manufacturing business.

Christine, formerly a teacher, is a homemaker currently pursuing her master's degree in family life ministry at Concordia University.

David and Christine attend and volunteer at New Hope Community Church.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Shaun M. MacMillan, a single man and Rachel A. Pop, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2006, and recorded on April 18, 2006 in Liber 741 on Page 815, and assigned by said Mortgage to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-OPT5, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-OPT5 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen and 80/100 Dollars (\$109,319.80), including interest at 5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a P.K. nail over an iron stake at the South 1/4 corner of Section 10, Township 34 North, Range 7 West; thence along the North and South 1/4 line of said Section, 1326.44 feet to a 7/8 inch iron stake on the South 1/4 line of said Section; thence continuing along the North and South 1/4 line North 0 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds East 335.00 feet to an iron stake and the place of beginning, thence parallel with the East and West 1/4 line North 0 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds East 335.00 feet to an iron stake and the place of beginning, thence parallel with the North and South 1/4 line North 0 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds East 335.00 feet to an iron stake and the place of beginning, thence parallel with the East and West 1/4 line North 0 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds East 335.00 feet to an iron stake and the place of beginning, thence parallel with the North and South 1/4 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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald Barker, a married man and Valerie Barker, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc. Mortgage dated February 9, 2004, and recorded on March 2, 2004 in Liber 600 on Page 777, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One And 48/100 Dollars (\$141,981.46), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Boyne Valley, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL F: Commencing at a railroad spike at the Southwest corner of Section 30 Township 32 North, Range 5 West; thence along the West line of said Section, also being the centerline of Korthorse Road North 0 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds East 509.39 feet to the point of beginning of this description, thence continuing along said Section line, and said centerline North 0 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds East 200.02 feet, thence South 88 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds East 33.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the East line of said road, thence continuing South 88 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds East 357.68 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence South 0 degrees 22 minutes 51 seconds West 200.05 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence North 88 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds West 359.37 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the East line of said road, thence continuing North 88 degrees 23 minutes 13 seconds West 33.00 feet to the point of beginning being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 5 West.

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Dated March 11, 2009

For more information, please call FC 248 593 1309
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Susan Ann Weaver a/k/a Susan A. Weaver, A Single Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated March 28, 2007, and recorded on May 24, 2007 in Liber 804 on Page 381, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on February 13, 2009 in Liber 0876 on Page 0211, and assigned by said Mortgage to National City Real Estate Services LLC successor by merger to National City Mortgage, Inc. d/b/a National City Mortgage Co. as assignee as documented by a Mortgage in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Five And 85/100 Dollars (\$124,324.85), including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Boyne Valley, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 89 The Reserve Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 689 on Pages 038 through 118, inclusive, and any amendments thereto, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 152 together with rights in common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Act of 1978, as amended.

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Dated March 11, 2009

For more information, please call FC 248 593 1313
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 24, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 68, McIntire's Addition to Boyne, according to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

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Dated March 25, 2009

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Dated April 9, 2009

Mortgagee: Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, a Michigan Banking Corporation.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 09-011356-DE

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Dated: April 1, 2009
Thomas M. Schraw (P46540)
116 Water Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231)582-2252

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Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey P. Trauben and Lorrie Trauben ("Mortgagor") to Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, having its principal office at 111 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 ("Mortgagee"), which mort-

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jesse D. Conklin a/k/a Jesse Conklin, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Countywide Home Loans Inc., Mortgage, dated May 23, 2003, and recorded on May 29, 2003 in Liber 543 on Page 171, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Countywide Home Loans Inc., Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Two Hundred and Two And 2/100 Dollars (\$76,252.02), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

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Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be 6 months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a. In which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated April 9, 2009

Mortgagee: Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, a Michigan Banking Corporation.

Prepared by and for more information, please call:
Attorneys For Mortgagee:
Jelenc, Bila and Snabes, PLLC
Dennis W. Bila (P39975)
321 Spring Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
(231)838-5678

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 09-011356-DE

Estate of Ray N. Bird, deceased DOB: 03/17/1937
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Ray N. Bird, who lived at 3248 Glenwood Beach Drive, Boyne City, Michigan died August 28, 2008. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Christina Bird-Walker, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: April 1, 2009
Thomas M. Schraw (P46540)
116 Water Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231)582-2252

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.arcnlm.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens; preventing disease transmission.

Hockey tryouts

Call the Traverse City North Stars Girls Travel Hockey team for registration and tryout information at (231) 218-0182 or visit www.tchockey.com.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health channel

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Bolts show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarczyk and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 is sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church

in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix:
Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at . Call 547-4221 for more information;

Fibromyalgia support group

11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Museum winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum will reopen 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays in March.

A statewide writing contest

Celebrating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday dead line is April 4. Full details are

available at www.milincoll.org.

The essay themes are broken out into two categories:
Grades 5-6: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (What President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Mean to Me)
Grades 7-8 and 9-12: Lincoln's Leadership - Then and Now (How President Lincoln's Life and Leadership Inspire Me Today)

For more information, contact the Michigan Commandery at (616) 827-3369 or petrioblue1@yahoo.com.

All entries must be postmarked by April 4, 2009 and mailed to:
Lincoln Bicentennial Essays
MOLLUS Michigan Commandery
P.O. Box 888281
Grand Rapids, MI 49588

East Jordan men's fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

• Using the Computer for Genealogy Research, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 24, \$10 fee. Registration required, 237-7340. This is an introductory class on how to use the computer for personal genealogy research.

• New Deal Film Festival: Building the Safety Net, 2 p.m., April 1, Original film footage from the 1930s government project.

APRIL 2

Traveling art show

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• Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18

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Beaver Island Film Fans

At 7:30 p.m. on the following nights, the Beaver Island Film Fans movie club will air movies in the new Beaver Island Community Center for a cost of \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Join the film fans for free popcorn and the movie Cry Freedom on April 2.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 19

Art scholarships and show

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Applications have been sent to Art Educators and Counselors at Antrim and Charlevoix schools. Applications are also available on-line at www.jordanriverarts.com. The deadline to submit applications is April 19.

The Scholarship show will open at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, at the Jordan River Arts Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan.

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Fire destroys home

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The April 4 house fire that left five people homeless remains under investigation.

While former 300 Meech St. renter Jennifer Haight and three children stay with family, her husband Cory is lodged in the Charlevoix County Jail on what Charlevoix City Police are calling an "unrelated matter."

The 28-year-old Cory pleaded guilty in district court on April 7 to retail fraud, third degree, for a shoplifting incident in Boyne City and he pleaded guilty in circuit court the same day for violating a personal protection order held by his wife for being at the 300 Meech St. residence.

"It's still under investigation and the state police fire investigators have been called in," said Charlevoix City Fire Chief Paul Ivan.

Cory is currently serving the remaining 12 days of a 15 day sentence relating to his two guilty pleas.

The fire, which had engulfed the home by 50 percent when firefighters arrived around 1:40 p.m. last Saturday, took approxi-



COURTESY PHOTO

This picture of Saturday's house fire at 300 Meech St. was taken by Charlevoix Courier reader Ron Abfalter. The picture, taken at 2:11 p.m. on April 4, shows City of Charlevoix firefighters battling the blaze which took nearly 45 minutes to contain and more than three hours to put out.

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Jennifer and her children were not at home when the fire began.

"My mother-in-law told me my house was on fire and to get over there," she said.

Jennifer said her husband was at home at the time of the fire.

"He got very minor burns to his fingers," she said.

Police would not say why Cory was arrested.

According to Charlevoix 90th District Court, Cory was expected to be arraigned at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 7.

"I didn't even see my husband," Jennifer said. "I just wanted to know he was all right."

Jennifer said she was told her husband had a warrant for his arrest, but nothing more.

"I have no idea. I'm still trying to figure that out," she added.

The Haight had been renting the house, owned by Richard Binstadt of Cincinnati, Ohio, since April.

Jennifer said this is the second house fire she has endured in her



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

City of Charlevoix firefighter Winfield Scott looks for hot spots in the 300 Meech St. house which burned on Saturday, April 4. No residents or firefighters were seriously injured. The fire remains under investigation and the Michigan State Police fire investigator has been contacted to look into the cause of the fire.

lifetime.
"When I was about 10 years old me and my family lost everything at our house in Oden,"

she said.
Anyone wishing to help Jennifer's family may call (989) 370-4460

Jury trial for Norwood mine owner

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Former Norwood Township Supervisor Wayne Wynkoop was arraigned on one count of violating the public trust, a 90-day, \$500 misdemeanor.

Wynkoop allegedly violated a Michigan law which apparently prevents public servants

from entering into contracts with the entities they serve when he sold gravel from his mine to the Charlevoix County Road Commission which later used some of his gravel to do roadwork on Norwood's Lakeshore Road.

"Lakeshore Road project was an ongoing issue. When I came into office that was the

first thing I was approached on in 2004," Wynkoop said. "I didn't vote on it. It's amazing, two members of the board lived on Lakeshore Road should they have recused themselves from the vote?"

Wynkoop, who did not receive his special use permit to operate his gravel pit until July 9, 2007, said the road com-

mission contacted him two to three months after the board voted to approve Lakeshore roadwork to see if he would sell them gravel. He submitted his bid to sell them gravel in March of that year.

Minutes from the May 21, 2007 Norwood Township Board meeting show Wynkoop recused himself from the vote

to approve Tri-County Excavating do the grading, ditching and culverts on Lakeshore Road with gravel work to be done by the county road commission.

However, it is alleged in Michigan State Police investigation documents that Wynkoop never disclosed to the public that he had bid and won

a contract to sell \$21,606.80 in gravel to the Charlevoix County Road Commission.

According to the transcript from the May 21, 2007 township board meeting, Wynkoop told the board he was recusing himself from the vote and discussion on the roadwork pro-

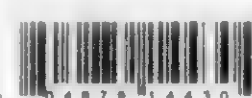
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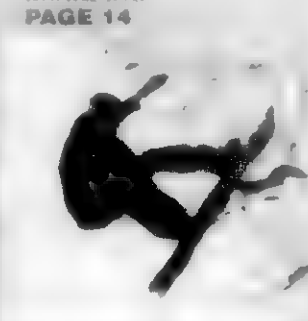
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BIRTHS

Wyatt John Mattson, was born to Trina Holm and Brian Mattson of Sault Ste. Marie, on Oct. 20, 2008, at War Memorial Hospital. Wyatt weighed five pounds, 11 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long at birth. Grandparents are Ed and Mary Jo Holm of Charlevoix, and Bill and Patti Mattson of Sault Ste. Marie. Great-grandparents are Harold Holm, now deceased, of Charlevoix, and Harold Burgess of Sault Ste. Marie.

Lillian Elizabeth Jean Brewer weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces was born March 25, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Candace Hildebrand and Ryan Brewer of Mancelona. Her siblings are Autumn Marie and Summer Elaine. Her grandparents are Debora and Dave Piechocki of East Jordan, Alice Hildebrand and David Hildebrand both of Mancelona.

Easton Charles Hills weighing 8 pounds, 9 ounces was born March 21, 2009 to Jay and Kathryn Hills of Cedarville. His brother is Eli. His grandparents are Jay and Sharon Hills of Lake Orion, Mich., and Ron and Cindy Johnson of Fort Myers, Fla. His great grandparents are David and Lois Hills of Clarkston, Mich., Donna Barnett and Rudy Barnett from Fountain Hills, Ariz., Frank and Betty Johnson from Barrington, Iowa. His great great-grandparents are Charles and Kathy Crowther of Sunset Beach, N.C.

Jaiden Nicole Mulligan weighing 7 pounds, 4 ounces was born May 20 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jessica Potter and John Mulligan of Central Lake. Her grandparents are Nick Potter Sr. of East Jordan, Gen Potter, Freda Knight, both from Central Lake, and John Mulligan Jr. from Rainsville, Ala. Her great-grandparents are Gloria and Donald Robbins of Rainsville, Ala.

ACCIDENT

At approximately 9:15 a.m., Monday, March 30, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's

Office responded to a one-vehicle personal injury accident on Barnard Road.

The Buick Park Avenue driven by Yvonne Engler, 67, of Charlevoix, was traveling southbound on Barnard Road when it hit a snow drift and lost control striking a utility pole.

Both Engler and her minor passenger were transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Both individuals were wearing their seat belts.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Charlevoix city EMS.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Cletus George Kwagshken, 19, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol, third or subsequent offense. Serve 50 hours of community service work; to serve six months on probation; \$400 in fines and costs.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Dale Scott McMahan, 45, Boyne City. Controlled substance - use. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 120 days in jail; to serve two years on probation; \$830 in fines and costs.

Donna Lynne Idolski, 43, Boyne City. Controlled substance - delivery/manufacture schedule 1, 2, 3 except marijuana. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 180 days in jail; \$160 in fines and costs.

Andrew Mark Kechn, 19, Charlevoix. Assault/assault and battery. Pay \$70 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office.

Design Tech Construction LLC, 19658 Gennett Road, Nottawa in Steven I. Roze ma.

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Road Runner Septic Pumping, 07323 Pincherry Road.

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The Boyne Citizen, 440 Hemlock, Boyne City, by Hugh Conklin.

Sportsfisherman Tackle, 1799 Jenkins Road, Boyne Falls, by Patrick C. Mitchell.

PDQ Powdercoating, 1799 Jenkins Road, Boyne Falls, by Patrick C. Mitchell.

Complete Car, 06807 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, by Richard R. Simmons.

Caverly Construction, 623 Maple St., East Jordan, by Isaac Caverly.

NG Ink, 00156 Magee Road, Boyne Falls, by Nicole Grohaski.

Rustik Wooden Creations, 00251 South M75, Boyne City, by Lorina L. Richards.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted a Council focused on energy issues by BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR.

Determined to stay abreast of an issue which affects every one, Charlevoix City Council's recent meeting focused mainly



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Pat Hayden, owner of the Dairy Grille in Charlevoix took a moment from his busy lunch rush on opening day, to show off the fresh meat patties which, he said, keep the customers coming back.

on utilities. Council members voted unanimously to purchase more cost efficient blocks of energy in addition to setting public hearings on both their energy optimization and cross connection plans.

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Community conversation could steer policy

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

In what founder Phil Power calls an "engagement campaign" Michigan's Defining Moment seeks to involve 10,000 Michiganders in shaping the state's future.

Determined not to waste any of the hours on a beach in Florida after his 2005 retirement from the news business, Power set off on a campaign of community conversations which involve a wide cross-section of the population.

"Michigan's Defining Moment is ... designed to ignite and fan a citizen movement to develop, from the bottom

up, a common sense, common ground agenda for Michigan's transformation," Power said. "We hope to bring citizens into the policy making process in a way that they have not been involved before."

Power said, while organized labor and various businesses contribute to politicians in hope of gaining political favor, the process largely leaves ordinary citizens "out in the cold."

"One thing we've learned is that the public has no lobbyists," he said. "The second thing we learned is most policy comes from the top down rather than bottom up."

Power said, "Groups start with a view of the world they're

poised to inflict on ordinary people and the political process. We do it the other way around."

Michigan's Defining Moment consists of community conversations like the one on Thursday, April 17 at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Though the event is not open to walk-ins, upwards of 100 Charlevoix area citizens have been invited to attend.

Both Charlevoix County Republican Party Chairman Tim Boyko and Charlevoix County Democrat Chairman Bill Lovett are each inviting 50 people.

"As the representative of the Republican Party in the county, I did try to make that representa-

tion with the group," Boyko said. "I tried to primarily get people that identified with the Republican Party."

But, he added, "There was an overlap in our lists and these people (the overlap) generally were very community involved, but maybe not in a partisan manner. What we probably found is the independent voter."

"We hold community conversations and invite people to define the kind of Michigan they want in the future and develop action steps to get there," Power said. "We are a think and do tank: Thinking without doing is pointless and doing without thinking ... gets you

into trouble."

The resultant information culled from the meetings will then be used to create action groups which will focus on the subjects most important to them. From those meetings "policy planks" will be developed and then sent to policy makers in the government.

Power said the 2010 political season will be a "watershed election" because the seats of governor, attorney general, secretary of state and many other state level political positions will be filled with new names and faces.

The best case scenario to come from these community conversations, Power said, "A

prosperous, thriving, vibrant Michigan."

To see a report on the 180 community conversations which have been held all across Michigan, visit www.thecenterformichigan.net.

"I will be interested to find out about the issues that everyone agrees on so we can work and explore and investigate the issues we don't agree on," Boyko said. "My goal for this forum is to find commonality and areas of difference, and then we can begin to understand issues we don't really need to expend a lot of energy debating."

Lovett could not be reached by press time.

Job fair draws 300 job seekers

RYAN BENTLEY
NEWS-REVIEW

CHARLEVOIX — About 300 job seekers turned out Tuesday to explore the employment possibilities available at a job fair Northwest Michigan Works! hosted at Castle Farms.

Employers in fields ranging from manufacturing to local government to hospitality — numbering about 20 in all — were on hand to seek applicants for employment.

"I was pleased with the turnout (as far as) applicants and employers," said Bill Woodrow, operations manager for the Michigan Works! service center in Petoskey.

This was the second year in which the workforce services agency arranged a chance for job seekers to interact with multiple prospective employers in one setting. Last spring's job fair drew about 400 people in search of employment.

And with two fairs scheduled in this area this year, the second is set for Tuesday, April 7, in Petoskey — Michigan Works! is on pace to see a larger number of job seekers than in 2008.

Given the area's rise in unemployment during the past year, this was a trend that agency staff expected beforehand.

While the resort industry that's a key part of the local economy has plenty of seasonal openings again this year, Woodrow noted that entry-level positions in manufacturing — which traditionally has been another mainstay for the area — have become fewer and farther between as companies have shut down local operations.

Charlevoix's Wojan Window & Door Corp. was among the employers at the job fair with positions to fill. Patrick Babin, vice president for sales and marketing at the manufacturing company, noted that the firm is seeking candidates for a marketing/communications assistant, structural/design engineer and sales manager.

Babin noted that he saw a steady flow of inquiries through the early part of the job fair, and identified a couple of promising leads for job

candidates.

"We've seen a little of everything," he said, noting that applicants showed a wide range of work backgrounds. "If anything, it's just a clear reflection of the situation with the economy."

David Marvin, business manager for Stafford's Hospitality, noted that his company is looking to fill about 60 seasonal slots at its four hotel and restaurant properties around Emmet and Charlevoix counties, along with one full-time lead housekeeping position.

During Tuesday's job fair, he said the firm made contact with a handful of promising candidates for the full-time opening, and got a "good start" fielding applicants for the seasonal ones.

"I thought it was a great turnout," he said.

Scott Redman, whose work background is in quality assurance, was among the job seekers who dropped in for Tuesday's fair. Laid off from his last position about four months ago as a result of slowing sales, he's hoping to stay in Northwest Michigan.

The Petoskey resident said seasonal positions seemed more plentiful Tuesday than the full-time work he'd most like to obtain, but he did see a handful of openings — both short- and long-term — in communications and manufacturing that he plans to follow up on.

"I'm someone who's looking for a full-time position, but as we all know with the



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Prospective employees mingle with dozens of job providers during the Tuesday, March 31, job fair at Castle Farms of Charlevoix.

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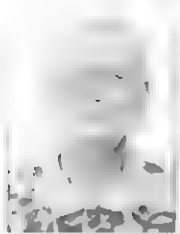
Stephen Guthrie

Next week I reach one of those milestones. I'm turning 62.

I have been up and down the career ladder, and I have been in the federal government for 16 years.

Now, let me put on the record that in my mind I am still about 42. After all, I have a daughter in the fourth grade, so technically I'm not allowed to think, feel, or act "old."

Funny comes in 'ha-ha' and 'strange'



FAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

Some thing about the current political circumstances reminds me of the old joke about the two cannibals who were eating a comedian.

think there is something funny going on, in both senses of that word.

Part of it is that comedians are more and more in charge of what we hear and believe.

I understand that for many young people the major source of political news on TV is the Daily Show, presented by Jon Stewart, and the Colbert Report from Steven Colbert.

Both of those comic geniuses are part of a long American tradition of poking fun at politicians and public figures.

Most people are aware of the political humor of Will Rogers, but the tradition goes

back all the way to the Civil War when Orpheus C. Kerr was making joyous fun of an inept government and military.

Petroleum V. Nasby wrote of a presidential trip to Detroit in 1866, and Finley Peter Dunne skewered the inflated political balloons of folks like William Jennings Bryan at about the same time that Mark Twain was having fun with the famous.

Our own time has continued the tradition with a particular boost during the 1960's from the likes of the Smothers Brothers, who helped compatriot Pat Paulson on two un-

successful tries at presidential election.

Mort Sahl, Dick Gregory, Richard Pryor and George Carlin were often more commentators than comedians. If they did not completely alter the political climate of their time, they at least enlivened it.

They were able to say things that real political figures never could say and were able to make us laugh at the same time.

The commentator-comedian by now has a firm place in the American political scene.

In addition to Jon Stewart and Steven Colbert, people

disappointed over the choices I'd made.

Out of nowhere I found myself wishing I'd understood earlier the difference between the urgent and the important, and opted more often for quality instead of quantity. I began to daydream how much money I'd have today if I'd learned earlier how to acquire without the need to acquire.

I found myself disappointed in having spent so much of myself making a living that I'd somehow gotten sidetracked on making a life. And suddenly I was deeply regretful over the people I'd shored or offended along the way to upward mobility.

In short, I found myself wishing I'd known then what I know now, for I would have stopped striving and started living long before I finally did.

The Bible authors struggled with the paradoxical futility of life, too.

David writes of the blink of an eye that is our years on earth, sixty years, or seventy if we're lucky, and compares it to the flower that blossoms, then withers with age, and disappears so that its place remembers it no more.

WEEKLY POLL

Do you support the construction of a non-motorized trail from Bayview-Carleton Place to the Detroit Zoo?

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This week's poll question: Will Michigan's Defining Moment community conversations help shape the political landscape in the state legislature in coming years?

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Solomon takes two chapters of Ecclesiastes to enumerate his great wealth and accomplishments, then dismisses it all as futile vanity. He bemoans the striving of man, laboring in the sun, his mind troubled, only to pass it all on to heirs who did not work for it.

And Solomon, in all his wisdom, concludes that there is no point to all that striving except that a man should enjoy to the fullest the life that God

has given him, regarding it as a gracious gift from a benevolent Father.

In the face of apparent pointlessness, Solomon opted for a life of grateful rejoicing and doing good with the days we are granted.

I think maybe he's on to something there.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix. Counseling and healing prayer by appointment at 231.675.4682.

OPINIONS yours & ours

LETTERS to the editor

MISMANAGEMENT OF FUNDS

Editor:

Due to the recent bail-out and the blatant mismanagement of funds occurring in the private sector as well as the public sector, the idea of government transparency has recently received a great deal of attention. New organizations and websites have been created purely to provide information regarding our government's bottom line.

Citizens have started blogs to track spending not only in Washington, D.C. but in Lansing and other state capitals around the nation. What's clear is that the potential for open and obvious government has never been so ripe. It's an insult that government does not provide this information in an affordable, easy-to-use manner.

In an effort to push back the curtain on at least part of the Michigan House of Representatives, I have published on my online office the budget allotment for my office as well as my staff's salaries. According to the Michigan House of Representatives Financial and Business office, I am the very first lawmaker in Lansing to post such information on-line.

I hope others will follow.

Why is this important you might ask? Well, let me tell you. Last year, after it became certain the Legislature wasn't going to return the \$352 million in excess tax dollars the state over-collected in 2007, talks quickly turned to spending the surplus on such things as \$14 million to the Detroit Zoo, the Detroit Institute of the Arts and the Detroit Historical Society.

Perhaps public disclosure of the state's spending habits will help guide some accountability and transparency in government. If nothing else, it will provide an avenue for taxpayers to find out how government is spending their money. Is that really too much to ask?

It's no secret that Michigan is in terrible economic shape however it does seem that our executive branch would like to keep the secret of state spending. Recently, I asked the Governor to create an easy-to-use Web site where people can see exactly how their taxpayer dollars are being spent.

The Governor's administration claims the cost of creating a Web site is exorbitant. However states like Oklahoma built a Web site for as little as \$8,000.

in software plus staff time and it took me less than two clicks of a mouse to post my expenses on-line. I find it hard to believe that our state cannot afford a system similar to Oklahoma's when the benefits of such a system would only equal more effective spending.

In a time where every penny counts, it is no longer acceptable to make it difficult for citizens to see where their money is going. I hope you will take the opportunity to access my office's financial information by visiting www.gophouse.com/cisenheimer.htm and clicking on the Government Transparency link.

Kevin Elsenheimer
State Representative
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PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT ACT

Editor:

In a recent letter to the editor, Charlevoix resident John Haggard is quick to criticize my vote on S. 22, the Omnibus

Public Lands Management Act of 2009, but failed to obtain the most recent information before firing off his letter.

If Mr. Haggard had bothered to research the legislation he would have found that an amendment was added to S. 22 by the House to protect hunting on public lands. The amendment provided for the protection of recreational activities otherwise allowed by law or regulation on public lands, including hunting, fishing and trapping, and also clarifies states' authority to manage fish and wildlife populations. Inclusion of the amendment led to the NRA's endorsement of the legislation.

I voted in support of S. 22 but it failed by two votes in the House. The legislation will soon be reconsidered and I expect it will also contain protections for Americans' gun rights.

Bart Stupak
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Cancer survivors strong and fashionable

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Circle of Strength cancer support group's annual fashion show will feature spring fashions and a luncheon.

Organizers hope the show, with fashions modeled mainly by cancer survivors and their family members, will entertain as well as educate people on the pervasiveness of the many types of cancer.

"It's just a fun day to raise awareness," said Circle of Strength volunteer and co-founder Kim Stevens.

Tickets for the noon to 3 p.m., Saturday, April 18 show cost \$10. Both the luncheon and fashion show will occur in the Charlevoix Public Library's community room.

Tickets are available by calling 547-8950 or visiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital's gift shop.

Stevens, a cancer survivor herself, said supporting the Circle of Strength support group is one of her highest priorities.

"I found one (support

group) in Petoskey after I was diagnosed in April 2000, because there wasn't one in Charlevoix," she said. "Diane Gorkiewicz came to me and wanted to start a program and since we have continued to grow — we are now with the community education program through the hospital."

Gorkiewicz, a fellow cancer survivor and co-founder of the group said dealing with something as devastating as cancer would be even tougher without support.

"The benefits are amazing," she said. "The problem is we are taught to keep our own business private and not everybody is in that place — sometimes people get so scared they don't access help."

Gorkiewicz added, "We don't know all the answers yet, but this helps people in their ability to cope and gives them access to resources and books and sometimes it's just having someone call and check on you to see how you are doing."

In addition to providing educational materials, the

Circle of Strength offers rides to oncology appointments, help with cancer patients struggling to pay their bills and even a person to join you at an appointment if necessary.

"It would be nice if we could work together and make it all go away, but in the meantime we're working together to get people through it," Gorkiewicz said.

The Circle of Strength currently hosts two regular support groups: One from 10:30 a.m. to noon, the first Wednesday of each month; the second is 7 p.m., the first Tuesday of each month at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

"It's really important to have a partner or family member who is supportive," Stevens said. "Also, talking to women who have been through it and knowing you're not alone, that someone has been through similar circumstances, that's kind of what led me to where I am now: I did get help and now I feel I have to reach out and help women with cancer diagnoses."



FILE PHOTO
Kim Stevens in the 2008 Circle of Strength fundraiser fashion show shows off her spring outfit. This year's fashion show, which will feature cancer survivors as models, begins at noon on Saturday April 18 in the Charlevoix Public Library's community room. Cost to attend is \$10 and tickets are available at the Charlevoix Area Hospital gift shop.

COMMUNITY Charlevoix people

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Jacob Mitchell takes Honorable Mention in statewide Severe Weather Poster Contest

Jacob Mitchell, a student at Charlevoix Elementary School in Charlevoix, was awarded Honorable Mention in the 2009 statewide Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest, sponsored by the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness.

Mitchell was honored at a ceremony at the State Capitol in Lansing on March 31, 2009.

Jacob is the son of

Charles and Ann Smalley of

Charlevoix.

The contest, open to students

enrolled in fourth or

fifth grade, is a project of a coalition formed in 1991 to coordinate public information efforts regarding flood, tornado and winter safety. Posters were judged on their illustration of the importance of preparedness in the event of severe weather.

First, second and third place as well as an honorable mention winner were selected from the more than 670 posters submitted. The awards ceremony will be held in conjunction with Michigan Severe Weather Awareness Week as declared

by Governor Jennifer Granholm.

"Although there were many quality posters submitted to the contest, Jacob demonstrated the importance of being prepared in his creative artwork and message," Lori Conarton, coalition member representing the Insurance Institute of Michigan said.

The Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness is comprised of the following organizations: Insurance Institute of Michigan,

National Weather Service, Michigan Emergency Management & Homeland Security, WDIV-TV, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Michigan Earth Science Teachers Association, American Red Cross, Michigan Emergency Managers Association, Michigan Sheriffs' Association and State Farm Insurance.

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Weather wiz'

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Story Time
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!
Saturdays @ the Movies:
Free Willy
Saturday, April 11, 2:00 pm
Come with your friends and family, eat popcorn and enjoy a family favorite: Free Willy!
Computer Boot Camp
Mondays in April, 10:30 - 11:30 am
If you have the basics down, but still feel like a beginner, stop in to our computer camp on Monday mornings for the support and encouragement you need to master using a computer.
Northern Michigan Reads
Three Cups of Tea
Tuesday, April 14, 6:00 pm
Community wide discussion of Greg Mortenson's widely acclaimed story of his life's mission to build schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Co-sponsored by the Little Traverse League of Peace and Freedom.
Price Your Antiques & Collectibles
Wednesdays April 15, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Find current selling prices using one of the library's tools.
Fiber Group
Wednesdays April 15, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Join this monthly group for discussion and support for your fiber project.
TAG
Thursday, April 14, 3:30 pm
If you spend a lot of time in the Teen Lounge, come and help shape the collection, and programming to better meet your needs.
What to Read Next
Thursday, April 16, 7:30 pm
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OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICE

Mary E. Gibbard

Mary E. Gibbard, 88, formerly of East Jordan, passed away March 31, at her home in Ionia. Burial will take place in Gratten Township.



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Pinewood champs

The overall champions of this year's Pinewood Derby are (from left) second-grade Wolf Caleb Pittman in fourth place, first-grade Tiger Cub Blaise Snabes in third place, fourth-grade Webelos 1 Tyler Fuchs in second place and third-grade Bear Colin Davis was the grand champion of the race.

Are you ready for Quiz Bowl?

The final round of the Charlevoix Ennet Intermediate School District Quiz Bowl Invitational will pit four teams against each other at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 13.

The event is open to the public.

Teams participating in the event to be held in the Charlevoix High School auditorium include Charlevoix, Concord Academy of Petoskey, East Jordan and Northwest Academy.

Organizer Barry Cole said the drawing for the competition is Charlevoix vs. Concord Academy, followed by Northwest Academy vs. East Jordan.

The winners of those two matches will meet in a final winner-takes-all competition. The

top team will receive a trophy honoring their accomplishment.

"This is a great chance for families, friends and the public to see their school's quiz bowl team in action at an evening event," Cole noted.

For more information about the Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl competition, contact Cole at 347-0656.

Think you've got what it takes? Play Texas Hold 'Em for charity

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

If you know when to hold them and fold them, buy your ticket now for the Charlevoix Elks' poker tournament.

Noticing the need of local food pantries and other area charities, the Elks decided to host this Texas Hold 'Em game night.

"The money is going to stay here," said Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856 member Christopher Jones. "It's not going to Petoskey, it's not going to Traverse City, it's going back out into the community."

The Texas hold 'Em tournament begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Leslie T. Shapton American Legion Post, 106 East Garfield Ave. in Charlevoix.

"If you think you're good, then come on out," Jones said. "If you are a beginner who's unsure about your skill level, come on out."

He added, "I think it's going to be a fun time for advanced players as well as beginners—there is obviously skill to it, but it's also about luck."

A minimum of 50 registered players is required to hold the event and the prize

purse will be half of the total buy-in and add-on chip sales.

Should 100 players register and purchase add-on chips, the prize purse will reach \$5,000 with \$2,500 for first place, \$1,500 for second, \$750 for third and \$250 for fourth. If 50 players are not registered, all tickets will be refunded. Players must be at least 21 years of age.

You may register the evening of the event from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. or buy your tickets in advance by calling (231) 330-6971 or e-mail chxels@yahoo.com.

A \$75 buy-in nets players \$2,500 in chips with an add-on of \$1,000 in chips available for purchase at registration for an additional \$25. Draft beer, wine, pop and appetizers are included with the initial buy-in.

"Proceeds will be distributed along the lines of who needs the money the most," Jones said. "If you want to have a good time and you could use a tax write-off, we'd be happy to help."

He added, "It's money well spent."

Visit www.elks.org for more information on how to join the Elks Lodge.

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Area Church Services

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Tuesday Intercession 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Church Office 547-4418

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Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
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8033 Church Road, Elmhurst
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Michael Maurer 536-2161

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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
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Pastor: Michael L. Leach 547-4444

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9585 M-66
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CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
106 State Street
Worship 10:30 a.m.
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State Street at Clinton
Sunday Holy Communion 10:00 a.m.
Church Office 547-4322

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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
1201 W. Huribut Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31)
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Pastor: Dean Lamer 547-5711

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202 W. Huribut
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES
203 E. Upright
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
M-66 across from Post Office
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Church Office 547-4121

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE BAY SHORE
US-31 North
Worship & Prayer Service 9:00 a.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
181 State St. (at Park Ave.)
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Church Office 547-4122

FREEDOM HOME
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Senior Center 237-0800

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Pastor: Rev. Louise Allen 547-1899

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Pastor: Timothy Wright 582-9262

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Pastor: Michael Smith 547-1088
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NORWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Newwood
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
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404 Howard Street
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Sunday Evening Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
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Bridge Street
Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
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Woman abducted over invisible children

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR



Valler

Alicia Valler will likely be abducted when she goes to Grand Rapids on April 25 ... and she is just fine with that.

Valler will join hundreds in Grand Rapids and thousands worldwide who will participate in mock abductions for the group Invisible Children to raise awareness about the theft of children in

Uganda who are then forced to fight in a 23-year-old war on the African continent.

We kind of live in a bubble here, and we don't see what these kids go through," said Valler, an 18-year-old Charlevoix Public School senior. "When I was 5, I was playing with Barbies. These kids are having sex and shooting people and seeing their parents killed in front of them."

The crisis originated in the mid-1980s when a group called the Lord's Resistance Army rebelled against the Ugandan government and began abducting children by the hundreds in order to fill

its military's ranks.

"Call whoever you can call, e-mail whoever you can e-mail, do whatever you can do to tell people about this," Valler said. "We will camp out all night and the only way to leave is to have someone abduct you and then have a member of the media come interview

you about it and then you're supposed to have a rescuer come rescue you."

Just last December, the Lord's Resistance Army in Uganda, headed by General Joseph Kony, murdered more than 600 people and abducted another nearly 160 children.

According to an INTER-

POL notice, Kony is wanted by the International Criminal Court on 12 counts of crimes against humanity and 21 counts of war crimes.

In addition to participating in "The Rescue of Joseph Kony's Child Soldiers" event in Grand Rapids, Valler has designed hats she hopes will be ready for sale

next week. Proceeds will go to help the Invisible Children organization.

Once they are ready, the hats will be available for sale for \$12 each in the Charlevoix High School lunchroom at lunchtime. Call 547-3222 for availability.

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Charlevoix High School senior Alicia Valler designed and will soon begin selling hats like this one in an attempt to raise awareness of the April 25 event to raise awareness about the Invisible Children project. Invisible Children is a group dedicated to ending the plight of Ugandan children who are abducted by the hundreds and thousands and forced to fight in the Lord's Resistance Army, a rebel group in Uganda.

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Alanson

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Pastor Kathy Cadarette

Palm Sunday, April 5, 9:00 a.m. worship

Holy Thursday, April 9
7:00 p.m., Holy Thursday celebration with communion at Harbor Springs United Methodist Church

Good Friday, April 10
7:00 p.m., community Good Friday service at Alanson Church of the Nazarene

Easter Sunrise Service, April 12
7:00 a.m., with Pastor Kathy and her husband, Pastor Dave Cadarette of Hilltop Fellowship of Petoskey, bringing a joint message. Service will be followed by potluck breakfast

Easter Service, April 12
9:00 a.m., worship service with Pastor Kathy's message "The Rest of the Story" and a cantata by the joint Alanson-Harbor Springs United Methodist Churches

ALANSON CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Corner of Mission Rd. & M-68, Alanson (231)548-5462

Palm Sunday, April 5
11:00 a.m. Celebrating the Triumphal Entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

Community Good Friday, April 10
7:00 p.m. The North Emmet County Clergy Cluster presents "The Wounds of Jesus" commemorating the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ and His death at Golgotha. Pie fellowship following the service

Easter Sunday, April 12
9:45 a.m. Breakfast Brunch followed by the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service. Soloist Mark Murphy will present the Easter message in song

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALANSON
7247 S US-31 Hwy., (231)548-5836

Easter Sunday, April 12
9:45 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt for Kids / Re
10:30 a.m. "He's Alive" Open Mic
11:00 a.m. Celebration Service!

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April 5, Mass, 8:00 a.m. at St. John Nepomucene
April 5, Mass 10:00 a.m. at St. Matthew

Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. at St. Matthew

Good Friday Services, April 10
1:00 p.m. at St. Matthew

Holy Saturday Services, April 11
Blessing Easter Baskets, 9:00 a.m. at St. Augustine

Easter Vigil, April 11, 9:00 p.m. at St. Matthew

Easter Sunday, April 12
Mass, 8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine
Mass, 10:00 a.m. at St. Matthew
Mass 12:00 a.m. at St. John Nepomucene

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
209 Main Street, Boyne City (231)582-5045

Maundy Thursday, April 9
Hand or Foot Washing Service, 6:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10, 12:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12
10:00 a.m. - Paschal Eucharist Service

Charlevoix

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
200 State Street, Charlevoix (231)547-6322
Fr. John David officiating

Palm Sunday, April 5, 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. Liturgy

Good Friday Service, April 10
Prayer & Meditation, 12:00-3:00 p.m. Liturgy 7 p.m.

Easter Service, April 12, 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Baptism

COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH
Corner of US 31 & Meech Street, Charlevoix
231-547-9482

Maundy Thursday, April 9, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Communion

Good Friday Service, April 10
12 p.m. at the Charlevoix First Congregational Church

COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH (CONT.)

Easter Service, April 12,
9:30 a.m. at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium, Pastor Chip's Sermon, "Death to Life"

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
101 State Street, Charlevoix, (231)547-9122

Community Good Friday Service, April 10
12:00 p.m. - "Seven Last Words of Christ"

Easter Sunrise Service, April 12,
7:00 a.m. at Depot Beach

Easter Brunch, April 12, 9:30 a.m. at Ransom Hall

Traditional Easter Worship,
in the sanctuary. Pastor Neil Wilson will share a message titled "Alfred of Easter?"

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

1005 Bridge Street, Charlevoix (231)547-6652

Holy Thursday, April 9
Mass will be offered at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10,
Stations of the Cross 12:00 p.m. with Service at 12:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass, April 11, Service will be at 9:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12, Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Ellsworth

ELLSWORTH WESLEYAN CHURCH
Corner of Park & Elm, Ellsworth
(231)588-7455 Chris Wallace, Pastor

Easter Sunday Worship Services, April 12
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. with a special choir presentation
10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Everyone welcome.

Harbor Springs

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HARBOR SPRINGS

7940 Cemetery Rd., Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-526-7332

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, April 12
7:00 a.m. - Graham Chapel, Boyne Highlands

10:00 a.m. - Easter Celebration

Easter Sunday Celebration Service, April 12
11:45 a.m. - Contemporary Service "The Bridge"

Easter Services

Harbor Springs

HARBOR SPRINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
343 E. Main Street (231)526-2414
Pastor Kathy Cadarette

Palm Sunday, April 5 11 a.m. worship

Holy Thursday, April 9, 7 p.m., Holy Thursday celebration with communion

Good Friday, April 10
7 p.m., community Good Friday service at Alanson Church of the Nazarene

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HOLY CHILDHOOD OF JESUS CHRIST
150 West Main Street (231) 526-2017

Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10, 1:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 11, 9:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Indian River

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Monday, April 6, 7:00 p.m. Communal Penance Service

Holy Thursday, April 9,
7:00 p.m., Celebration of the Lord's supper

Good Friday, April 10,
1:00 p.m., Celebration of the Lord's passion
7:00 p.m., Ecumenical Service

Easter Vigil, April 11, 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12
8:30 a.m. Mass and 10:30 a.m. Mass

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Holy Thursday Service, April 9, 6:00 p.m. communion

Easter Sunday Service, April 12
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Easter Vigil, April 11, 8:30 a.m. with Holy Communion

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7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy combined service at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

Easter Vigil, April 11, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Service, April 12, Rite 1, 8:00 a.m., Rite II, 10:00 a.m.

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Maundy Thursday, April 9, 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10,
12:30 p.m. at the Petoskey United Methodist Church
5:30 p.m. at the New Life Anglican Church

Easter Sunday, April 12, Easter Services, 10:00 a.m.

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6:00 p.m. soup dinner, 7:00 p.m. service,

Good Friday Community Service, April 10, 12:30 p.m.

Easter Services, April 12
7:00 a.m. Youth-led Sunrise Service with breakfast immediately following
8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship
10:00 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt for children
11:00 a.m. - Traditional Service

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Good Friday, April 10, 1:00 p.m. Lord's Passion

Blessing of Easter Food, April 11, 9:30 a.m.

Easter Vigil, April 11, 9:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Resurrection of the Lord
12:00 p.m. St. Francis Solanus in Bay Shore

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(231)535-2288 www.walloonchurch.com

Easter Sunday Service, April 12, 9:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

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Jury trial

NORWOOD
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posal due to possible conflict "on the material."

The law in question: MCL 15.323 - contracts of public servants with public entities states that, except with certain exceptions, a public servant must disclose any pecuniary interest in a contract to the official body that has power to approve said contract.

The complaint at the root of this issue came from the Norwood Township Citizens for Health and Safety's lawyer Karen Ferguson.

The Norwood citizens for health and safety is a group which has, for years, opposed Wynkoop's gravel mining operation.

The case goes to pre-trial at 10 a.m., April 21 in Charlevoix's 33rd District Court, but it will be handled by special

prosecutor James R. Linderman of Emmet County. Charlevoix County Prosecutor John Jarema requested the special prosecutor due to his close working relationship with 33rd Circuit Judge Richard Pajtas.

Pajtas a Wynkoop neighbor who was turned in to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources by Wynkoop in summer, 2008 for mowing a portion of

Fisherman's Island State Park and driving motor vehicles on the same.

Pajtas wife Dana, now a Norwood board member, has also been a staunch opponent of Wynkoop's mine.

Wynkoop asked Charlevoix's 90th District Judge Richard May step down from the case because Wynkoop planned to call his colleague judge Pajtas as a witness in his jury trial.

Wynkoop resigned as supervisor in November, 2007.

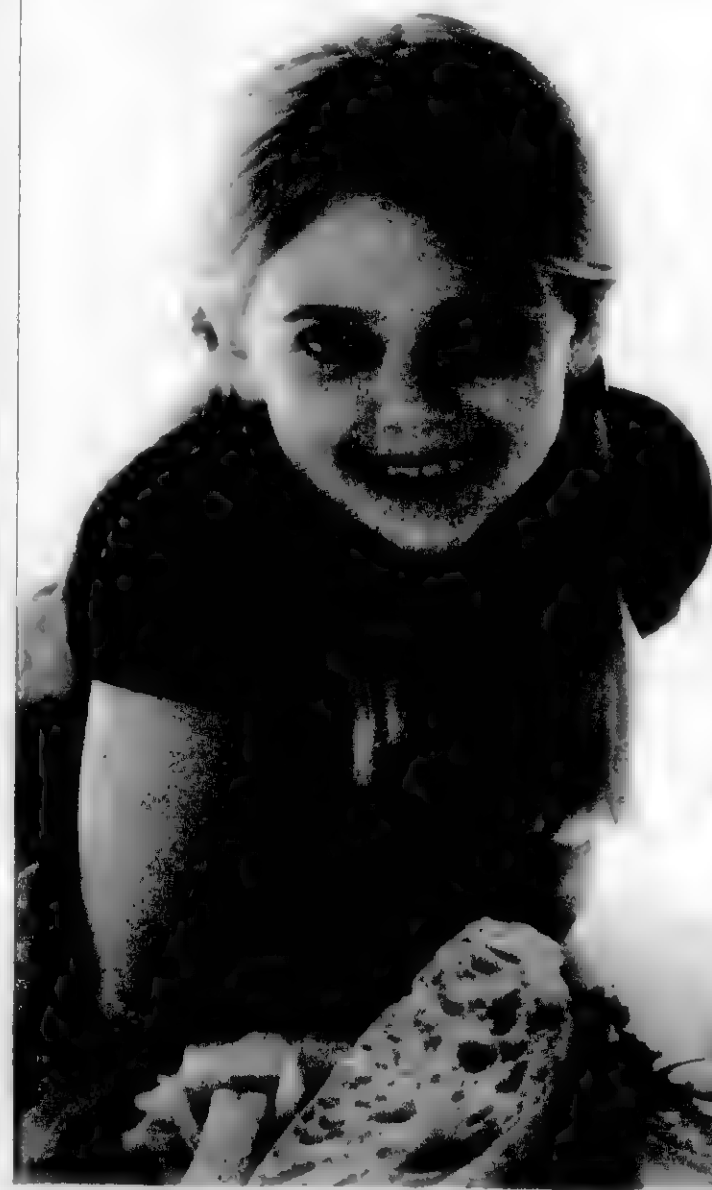


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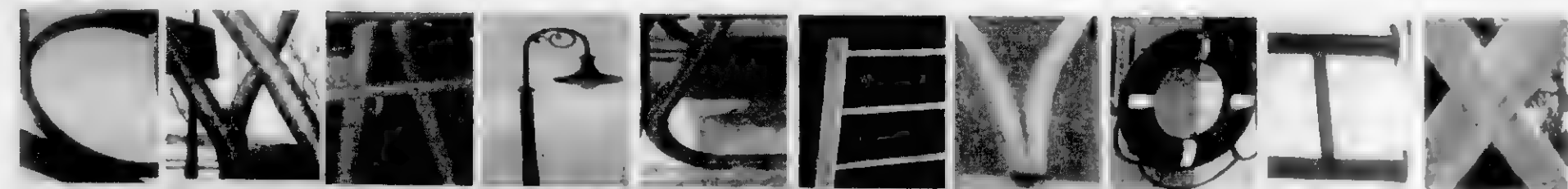


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From the Director's Desk Dear Neighbors,

Spring has arrived, and amidst the snow, rain and sun we can see change beginning to transform in front of us. For some, spring means cleaning closets, removing cob webs from little visited places, and swapping the winter gear for warmer weather items. As merchants and as consumers, can we not apply the same principles to transform our local economy?

Spring is, after all, about change. As we clean, we find things that are broken and need mending or replacing. We find a forgotten project or idea. Perhaps we completely abandon the current space for a newly renovated one. Perhaps transformation comes in the form of volunteering your spare time, or simply by hosting your far away friends for a weekend.



Erin Bemis

Clear out the cobwebs, and think fresh. Be the one to initiate change. Together, we CAN make a difference.

HR Bloopers

Many businesses do not see a value in human resources management as it relates to their bottom line until it is too late. Learn about some common mistakes managers make and how to avoid them to protect your profits at the Lunch & Learn on April 22nd, 11:30am to 1pm.

Presenting is Lisa Jessick, VP of Training, Services and Education for the PMP Corporation since 1992. Through the Personnel Services division, Lisa has offered many clients insight on how to save by managing their business' human resources.

Registration \$25 for members, general admission is \$35. Lunch is included. Call the Chamber to reserve your place at 547.2101.

Have a Blast at Business After Hours

Join the Chamber and your colleagues at Pointes North Inn for Business After Hours from 5 to 7pm on Thursday, April 9th. It is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission. Don't miss out on the fun! We hope to see you there!

Yoga at The Well Being Ribbon Cutting



On March 20th, Yoga at The Well Being opened its doors with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Pictured are Lauren Brumley, Jennifer Griggs, Lindsay Lewis (owner), Peggy Kusina, and Erin Bemis.

For a class schedule call
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Apr 9	Business After Hours; Pointes North Inn, 5 to 7pm
Apr 11	18th Annual Easter Egg Hunt; 2pm • 547.2101
Apr 16	POW; 8:30am at AmericInn • 547.2101
Apr 18	Raku Firing & Life Drawing Studio; 9am to 4pm • 547.3554
Apr 18	Circle of Strength Fashion Show; 12 to 3pm • 547.8906
Apr 23	Retail Committee Meeting; 8:45am • 547.2101
Apr 25	Earth Day: Be Water Wise • 237.7350
Apr 25	Knights of Columbus Cash Party; 6pm • 547.5125
Apr 26	Z-Tea for Elementary Girls at Library; 1 to 3pm • 547.4109
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Snowboarding for glory

BENJAMIN GOMS
EDITOR

Tackling Copper Mountain with a broken face?

Though still recuperating from recent injuries including a broken nose, black eyes and a concussion that he sustained while training at Boyne Mountain, Charlevoix veteran snowboarder John Curtis is on his way to compete in the USA Snowboarding Association games in Copper Mountain, Colo.

"I'm excited. It's a good chance to be seen and make connections in the industry," Curtis said. "And, I hear Colorado is getting pounded with powder, so I'm definitely excited about free-riding when I'm not competing."

Curtis began his journey to Copper Mountain April 3 but his road to national competition has been much longer.

"You have to compete in a regional series. In Northern Michigan we have a Middle Earth Snow Series," he said. "I did that in open class division and I won everyone besides one."

The Middle Earth Series occurred from January

through March and consisted of competition at hills including Boyne Mountain, Boyne Highlands, the Otsego Club and Nubs Nob.

Curtis will compete in the slop style event, which consists of a downhill course of rails, boxes and other features upon which he must ride and perform tricks.

"It's huge," he said. "There will be like 1,500 competitors of all age groups and probably like 13 or 14 features."

The competition begins April 5 and ends April 10.

Since Curtis has competed in events of similar size, he said it won't be the course which intimidates him, but the memory of his recent injury.

"Probably the second week of March I was up at Boyne Highlands training, learning new tricks and I hit this jump and over-rotated my spin backflip and just ended up smashing my face into the landing," he said. "I was wearing a helmet, and that saved my brain, but the gap from takeoff to landing is probably 20 feet and the momentum is what got me."

Curtis spent 14 days resting following the accident

"I just have to get back on my board and try to be on top of my game," he said. "I'm kind of scared, but I'm going to kind of push that out of my mind—it's kind of an honor to be invited to this stuff, so I need to go out there and forget about it."

If Curtis places well enough

in the competition, he could be invited to the coveted Winter XGames.

Curtis is currently ranked 22 in open class slopestyle.

For more on the event, visit www.usasa.org. For more on Curtis, visit www.gofilmcrew.com

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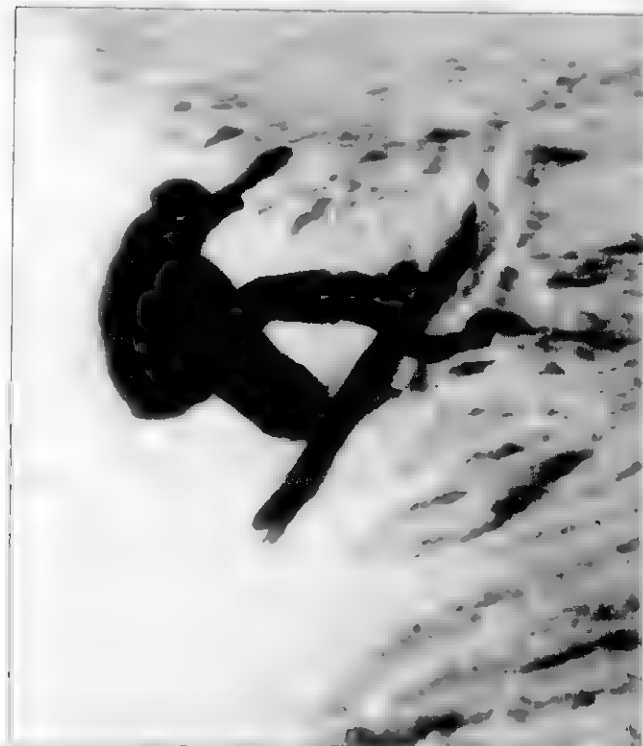
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On to Copper Mountain

Veteran snowboarder John Curtis of Charlevoix is seen here performing a hard turn which throws snow into the air—also known as a "slush"—while training on Saturday, March 28, at Boyne Mountain. Curtis leaves today, April 3, for Copper Mountain, Colo., for the USA Snowboarding Association games. If Curtis places high enough in the event, he could be invited to the holy grail of snowboarding, the Winter XGames.

SPORTS reviewing the action



COURTESY PHOTO

Soccer sign-up

The Charlevoix 4H Soccer sign-up for this season will be from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on May 5 and 7 at the Charlevoix Elementary School gym. Pictured from a game in fall, 2008, are Sawyer Golovich and Crystal Batdorff battling over a ball. More than 300 kids had the opportunity to play soccer through this program last season, and the whole program is run by community volunteers.

Rayder Baseball Golf Classic

The Charlevoix Rayder baseball team is hosting their 4th Annual Rayder Baseball Golf Classic.

The event will take place on Saturday, April 25, at Antrim Dells Golf Course. The fundraiser helps the Rayder Baseball team with equipment costs, travel costs and field upkeep.

Come join in the excitement. There will be games, prizes,

es, raffle, silent auction and your chance to win a car with a hole-in-one.

Player entry fee is \$70. The price includes golf, dinner and a tee gift.

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Your Tax Refund: Invest Today for Tomorrow's Goals

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The tax-filing deadline arrives next week. Will you be getting a refund? If so, take the time to consider how best to use it — because, when used wisely, your tax refund can give you a few added steps on the road toward achieving your financial goals.

Of course, if you filed your taxes weeks ago, you might have already received a refund. But given the current economic environment, you might have kept the money in a "holding place" while you waited for an uptick in the financial markets. At any rate, if you have access to a refund this year, you now have the opportunity to put that money to good use.

How? Here are a few ideas:

• Help fund your IRA. In 2008, the

average federal tax refund was \$2,429, according to the Internal Revenue Service. If you were to receive that amount, it would cover almost half of your IRA contribution for this year, as the annual limit is \$5,000. (You can put in \$6,000 if you're 50 or older). A traditional IRA grows tax deferred, while a Roth IRA grows tax free, provided you have held your account for at least five years and don't take withdrawals until you reach age 59-1/2. Your IRA may have taken a hit last year, but if you fund it with quality investments and avoid making withdrawals until retirement, you can take important steps to help rebuild your portfolio.

• Help build an emergency fund. You could use part of your refund for an IRA and part to help build an emergency fund. Ideally, you should have six to 12 months' worth of living expenses in a liquid account to help pay for unexpected costs, such as a major car repair, a new furnace or a costly medical bill. Without such an emergency fund,

you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments to pay for these costs — and that can hurt your progress toward your financial objectives.

• Help rebalance your portfolio. Based on your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals, you may have decided to put a certain percentage of your assets in "growth" vehicles and a certain percentage in income-oriented investments. At that point, your portfolio was in equilibrium. But during the long bear market, your portfolio may have sustained enough losses to become "unbalanced." In other words, some of your investments may have lost so much value that they no longer make up the percentage of your holdings that you had originally intended. Of course, you could wait for these investments to bounce back — and they may, given enough time — but if you wanted to speed up the rebalancing process, you could use your tax refund to add the right types of new investments to your mix.

Ironically as it may seem, there may not be a better year in which to invest your refund. You can find many quality investments at reasonable prices today, so your refund can help you add extra shares to your accounts — and the more shares you own, the better off you may be when the market turns around. So put your refund to work soon.

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Council focused on energy issues

EDITOR

Determined to stay abreast of an issue which affects everyone, Charlevoix City Council's recent meeting focused mainly on utilities.

Council members voted unanimously to purchase more cost-efficient blocks of energy in addition to setting public hearings on both their energy optimization and cross connection plans.

"Because of the economic downturn, the current prices for these blocks of energy are rela-

tively low," stated city electric and water department superintendent Don Swem in his presentation to council. "It would be to our advantage to obtain this low priced power before the prices go back up—if they do."

Until 2010, Charlevoix remains a member of the Michigan Public Power Agency, a group of municipalities which jointly own coal plants and a gas turbine generator in Kalkaska.

When the power agency ceases to exist, Charlevoix will have the

option to buy hours of electricity in so-called blocks of energy.

"At this point, the best plan we have is an interim plan to buy some blocks of energy that would be available from 2011 through 2015," Swem stated.

Swem added that it could take until 2015 before the municipalities agree on a replacement for the old power group.

Continuing with the theme of energy, council approved two public hearings to begin at 7 p.m., May 4 in council cham-

bers.

The first hearing will be on the city's energy optimization plan which is intended to "entice customers" to make purchases and take steps to reduce their energy use.

The energy optimization plan is a requirement since the Michigan legislature passed Public Act 295 in 2008.

Early projections are that the plan could save the city 64 megawatt hours or one percent of its retail sales.

Proposed motivators to the public could include incentives for those who buy compact fluorescent bulbs, recycling refrigerators and freezers, purchasing appliances with the Energy Star—meaning the appliance uses less energy than its counterparts—logo, and updating heating, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment.

The second hearing will be on the city's cross connection control plan.

The plan deals with ensuring water pipe systems are properly installed so "water of undesirable quality" does not reverse direction and end up in the fresh water supply.

Swem said the cross connection plan's paperwork is outdated and that this will merely be a housekeeping matter in updating some language.

To get a copy of either plan, call city clerk Carol Ochis at 547-3250.

Sign up for the 5th Annual TRI4Fun

Women's Non-competitive 5th Annual Triathlon for Fun on May 17.

The mandatory participant and volunteer pre-race meetings begin at 10 a.m. the day of the event for solo triathletes and volunteers, and at 10-15 a.m. for teams, single event participants, and 5K walkers.

Arrive 45 minutes early to check in at 220 W. Clinton St. The event includes a scenic 20K Bike, a 5K run/walk and indoor pool laps.

Registrations accepted on-line only before registration deadline: Tuesday May 12, at www.active.com.

The registration fees are

as follows: \$25 per event or \$75 for solo triathletes; 5K Walkers are \$25; team members \$25 each member/event; single participant/one event equals \$25, participant/two events \$50.

The actual triathlon event is open to any woman 14 years of age or older.

You don't have to have a team and can do one event.

Those participating can be swimmers who could be a nervous novice, newcomers will be allowed to swim during normal lap swim hours at the community pool the day before and get credit on Saturday May 16.

Event start times are 11 a.m. for solo triathletes, 11:15 a.m. for teams, single event participants and 11:30 a.m. for 5K Walkers.

Prizes to be awarded to: The solo/team/5K walk/run entry that raises the most money; The most "creatively dressed" participant; The "crazy volun-

teer" contest; The \$2000 Club for solo triathletes, 11:15 a.m. for teams, single event participants and 11:30 a.m. for 5K Walkers.

The proceeds to benefit local cancer support groups in Charlevoix/Emmet County and the Charlevoix Area Community Pool, Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders and Circle of Strength.

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INVITATION TO QUOTE

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The City of Charlevoix is accepting quotations for the exterior painting of the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Club, Club House Building at 400 Fairway Drive. A list of project specifications can be obtained by calling Tom Heid at 231-547-3269.

Sealed quotes are to be sent to: Charlevoix Golf Club, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720. The envelope is to be clearly marked "Painting Quote". The deadline in returning quotes will be April 24, 2009. Direct any questions pertaining to the project or to arrange a site visit contact Tom Heid at 231-547-3269. Contractors are to be licensed and insured.

The City of Charlevoix reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, waive irregularities and accept the proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Charlevoix. (B-4/08)

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Custodian (part-time): maintain overall appearance of facilities, including cleaning and light maintenance while projecting a courteous and positive image. Position requires 2 years relevant experience; knowledge of cleaning/maintenance materials, methods, machines and tools; strong communication and interpersonal skills; high school diploma or GED, valid driver's license.

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bucket with handle. \$45. (231)439-9862.

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\$25. 10-speed, like new, some extras. \$45. (231)47-6679.

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toddler bed. Excellent shape. \$30. Trav. stand. Very nice. \$25. 2 black end tables. \$15/each. (989)390-6498.(01)

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training collar, never used. \$70. (231)338-7408.

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refrigerator with ice maker. Good condition. \$75. (231)439-9862.

MOVING BOXES

17"x12"x12". \$1. 18"x18"x18". \$1.50. Clothing boxes. \$5. (989)939-8452.(04)

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1 year old, brown. \$45. (231)582-5074.

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electric dryer. \$100 takes both. (989)590-0857.(08)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 09-011352-DE

Estate of Rose Mary Warner McGee, DECEASED
Date of birth: 09/23/1928
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Rose Mary Warner McGee, who lived at 1111 Grant Street, Charlevoix, Michigan died February 10, 2009.
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jacquelyn M. Rozema, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.
Dated: April 8, 2009.
Robert L. Hoffman (P15046)
103 Belvedere Avenue
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231)547-9941
Jacquelyn M. Rozema
1898 Gennett Road
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231)547-2764
(L-4/08)

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on April 24, 2009.

Said

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581, Charlevoix County Records, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of Public Acts of 1978 as amended.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be 6 months from the date of sale, unless deemed abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 9, 2009

Mortgagee: Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, a Michigan Banking Corporation.

Prepared by and for more information, please call:
Attorneys for Mortgagee:
Jelinek, Bala and Snabes, PLLC
Dennis W. Bala II (P39975)
321 Spring Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
(231)838-5678

(L-4/8/4/08/4/15/4/22 4/29/5/06)

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jesse D Conklin a/k/a Jesse Conklin, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Countrywide Home Loans Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2003, and recorded on May 29, 2003 in Liber 543 on Page 171, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two And 62/100 Dollars (\$76,252.62), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as Lots 16 and 17, Block A, S. G. Leaman's Addition to the Village of South Arm, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plate, Page 36, Charlevoix county records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 18, 2009

For more information, please call:
FCX 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
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Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #220092F02
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael M Miller Jr., an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2006, and recorded on September 22, 2006 in Liber 767 on Page 100, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty And 75/100 Dollars (\$115,880.75), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on April 24, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 68, McIntire's Addition to Boyne, according to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 25, 2009

For more information, please call:
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Robert J. Zenelock, a single man, Mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., (MERS), Mortgagee, dated the 26th day of March, 2007 and recorded in the of

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ice of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of April, 2007 in Liber 799 of Charlevoix County Records, page 609, said Mortgage having been assigned to Sutton Funding LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty One & 89/100 (\$52,421.89), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of May, 2009 at 11:00 o'clock am Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 9.600% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the City of Boyne, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

The West 26 feet of Lot 1 and the East 23 feet of Lot 2 of Taylor's Addition to the City of Boyne, Charlevoix County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated 4/8/2009

Sutton Funding LLC
Mortgagee
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Attorney for Sutton Funding LLC
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800
Troy, MI 48068
(248)362-2600
(L-4/08/4/15/4/22,4/29)

2095 PUBLIC NOTICES

HAYES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CANCELLED MEETING NOTICE
09195 N. OLD US 31 CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720

The regular meeting of the Hayes Township Planning Commission will not be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. The regular meeting will be held Wednesday, April 22, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall, 09195 N. Old US 31, Charlevoix, MI.

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Notice is hereby given that on March 20, 2009 an application was filed the Federal Communications Commission seeking its consent to the transfer of control of Baraga Broadcasting, Inc. from its original board of directors to a new board of directors. Baraga Broadcasting, Inc. is the licensee on Non-Commercial Educational FM Broadcast Station WTCK, 90.5 MHz, Charlevoix, Michigan AM Broadcast Station WIDG, 940 kHz, St. Ignace, Michigan and FM Translator Stations W237CF, 95.3 MHz, Mackinaw City, Michigan and W221CA, 92.1 MHz, Gaylord, Michigan, both of which rebroadcast the signal of WTCK (FM).

The original board of directors consisted of: Rev. Ronald W. "Harry" Speckman; James Conboy; Ronald Berg; Tom McMahon; and the Most Rev. Patrick Cooney. The new board of directors will consist of: Rev. Ronald W. "Harry" Speckman; Jay Fennell; Ronald Berg; Tom McMahon; the Most Rev. Patrick Cooney; the Most Rev. Alexander K. Sample; Jack Wingate; and William DeLyon. A copy of this application, together with any amendments or related materials, is available for public inspection during regular business hours weekdays at the studios of WTCK, 7078 Highway M-68, Indian River, MI 49749.

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SYNOPSIS MARCH 25, 2009

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. in Boyne City. All Commissioners were present. Chairman Christensen thanked Boyne City for hosting the meeting. Motion approved the minutes of the March 11, 2009 minutes as corrected. Motion approved the minutes of the March 12th special joint meeting. Motion approved a motion to waive the rules and act upon the following resolution. Motion approved Resolution #09-026 Boyne City to US-31 Non Motorized Trail Grant. Motion approved Resolution #09-027 Section 5311 Operating Authorization. Motion approved Resolution #09-028, MSU Extension Support. Motion approved Resolution #09-029, Rescind Resolution #96-063. Motion approved Resolution #09-030, Purchase Delinquent Taxes. Motion approved Resolution #09-031, Cops Hiring Recovery Program Grant. Motion adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Cheryl Potter Browe, County Clerk (L-4/08)

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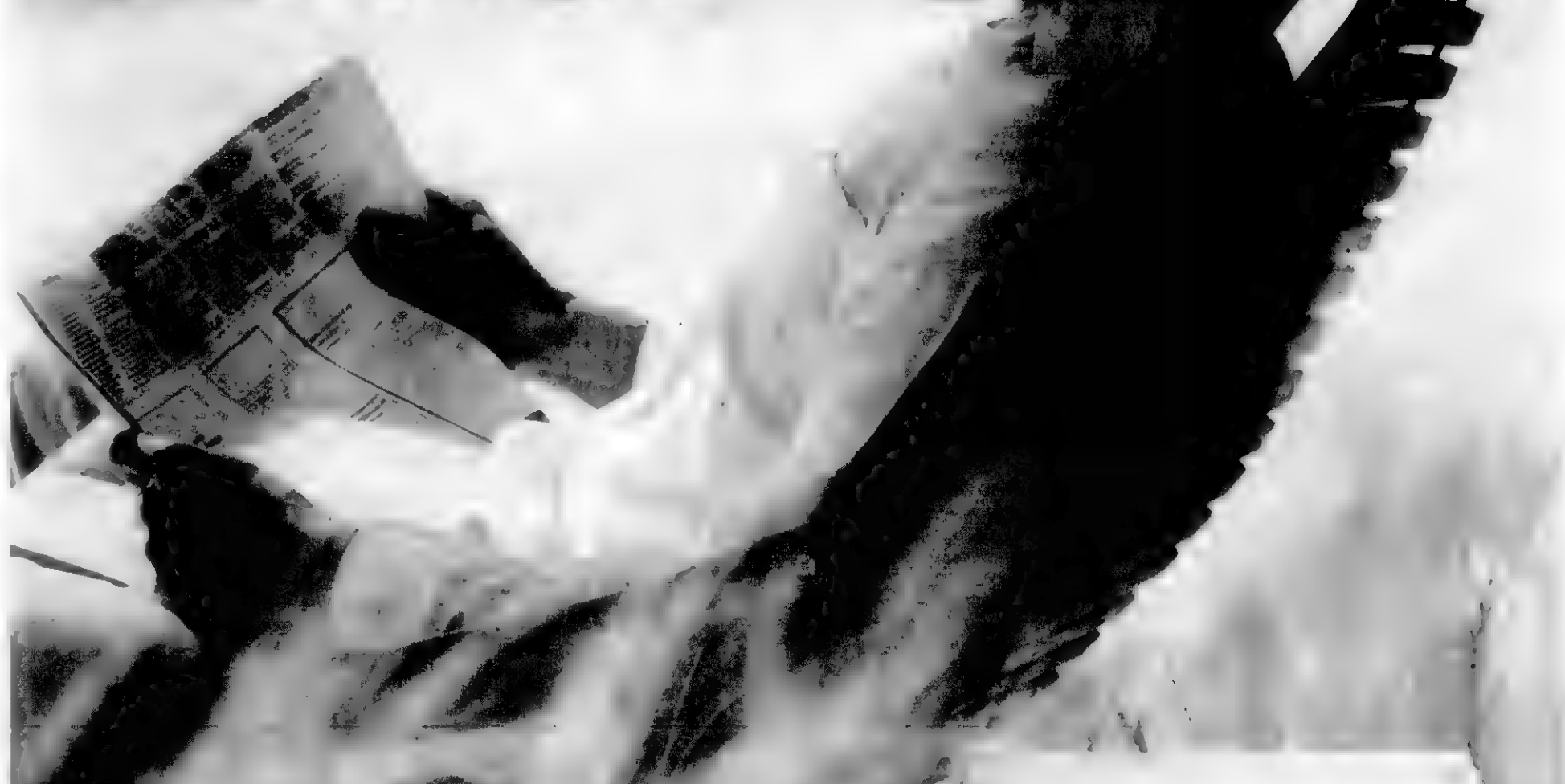
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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.americanredcross.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: Preventing disease transmission.

Hockey tryouts

Call the Traverse City North Stars Girls Travel Hockey team for registration and tryout information at (231) 218-0182 or visit www.tchockey.com.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Bolts show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denson, Madeline Kaczmarek and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Five Native Talking

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix: Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at. Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

Business Network

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

EAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength
In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circleofstrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Museum winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays. East Jordan men's fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Selling club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years.

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@charcounitedway.org

Char-Em United Way is planning to hold an informal meeting in early summer to gather United

Way alumni, update them on activities and plans of the local United Way, and solicit their advice. Local United Way leaders are planning to develop a Loaned Executive program and would like to incorporate best practices of other communities.

Free tax preparation is still available from the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA). Volunteers have been trained to prepare and electronically file both federal and state returns which will include checking for any tax credits the customers may qualify for such as the Earned Income Credit, Child Care Credit, Property Tax Credit, and the Home Heating Credit. Low to moderate income families and individuals, seniors, persons with disabilities and those with limited-English proficiency will qualify. While waiting for their appointment, customers will be given the opportunity to complete a brief needs assessment to help NMCAA determine if there are other needs that the agency may assist with. To make an appointment for this free service, call (231) 347-9070 or (800) 443-5518.

The NMCAA office is located at 2202 Mitchell Park Drive #4 in Petoskey.

LIBRARY EVENTS
Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651
• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.
• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday.

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Winter hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.
• Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays
• Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18
• Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16
• Call for submissions for the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle show. Open to two or three dimensional artwork or furniture formed from recycled materials and artwork with an emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Call (231) 373-6033 for more information.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 18

Art scholarships and show
Applications for the following scholarships are available through

the Jordan River Arts Council: Betty Ann Osborne Memorial Scholarship for \$1500, Pearl in Hand Scholarship for \$1000, Huckle Award for \$750, and three Honorable Mention Awards for \$100 each.

Any high school junior or senior living in Antrim or Charlevoix county is eligible. The Betty Ann Osborne Memorial Scholarship and The Pearl in Hand Scholarship are open only to high school seniors who are continuing on to college to study Fine Arts. The Huckle Award and the Honorable mentions are open to both juniors and seniors regardless of their area of study.

Applications have been sent to Art Educators and Counselors at Antrim and Charlevoix schools. Applications are also available on-line at www.jordanriverarts.com. The deadline to submit applications is April 19.

The Scholarship show will open at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, at the Jordan River Arts Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan.

The Awards Ceremony will be at 2 p.m. that day. Students must be present to receive an award.

The show will be open to the public from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily, May 17 through June 6.

Tai Chi

Charlevoix classes have begun—the beginner class will meet at 10 a.m., and the intermediate class meets at 11 a.m.—on Tuesday, April 7 and will be at the Charlevoix County Public Library Community Room B. Boyne City classes—the beginner class will meet at 9 a.m., and the intermediate class meets at 10 a.m.—at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

Tai Chi is a safe, gentle, non-impact exercise that promotes health and inner tranquility. It also builds strength and endurance, and improves balance, coordination and flexibility. Tai Chi is suitable for people with problems moving because of age, injury, arthritis, and all levels of physical fitness.

The hour-long classes are open to all. Cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those younger than 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 or

e-mail megpots@sbcglobal.net.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Girl Scouts local

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders at cookie booth sales which will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Knatt in Charlevoix from April 24 to May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsnists.org or call (866) 566-7434. Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each package to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps. Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore serves more than 20,000 girls with the support of nearly 4,500 adult volunteers in our 30 counties.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Charlevoix High School in the gym. Call 547-3222, extension 2008 or e-mail gcherry@rayder.net to reserve a time or for more information.

Angel Food

Angel Food Ministries will take orders from 10 a.m. to noon on April 11 at the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene and from 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine River Apartments for residents only. Call 547-9346 or (810) 304-0375 for more information.

EASTER EGG HUNT

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APRIL 15

Plant sale

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

APRIL 8

Organ transplant support group. The Organ Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet at 6 p.m., April 9 in the professional building's conference room located in the rear of Osego Memorial Hospital, 829 North Center/US-27 North. The meetings are for any one interested in organ and tissue donation, for persons waiting and those who have received their life saving organs and support persons. Call (989) 983-4188 or e-mail bevo@core.com for more information.

APRIL 16, 18

Direct drive

Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Charlevoix High School in the gym. Call 547-3222, extension 2008 or e-mail gcherry@rayder.net to reserve a time or for more information.

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APRIL 16, 18

MWA Kindergarten round-up

From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 16 at Northwest Academy of Charlevoix, 115 West Hurlbut St., there will be a Kindergarten round-up for parents to enroll their student or get more information about the school. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 18, there will be a K-12 open house for enrollment for all students. Call 547-9000 for more information.

APRIL 16, MAY 14

Swirl at CTAC

Meet new people, educate your palate and live up your Thursday evenings with Flavors of Portugal. Swirl mixes wine, music and art at Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m.; refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when available. Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

APRIL 16 AND MAY 31

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

APRIL 16

Poker tournament

The Charlevoix Elks Lodge # 2856 will host a Texas hold 'Em tournament at 6:30 p.m. at the Leslie T. Shapton American Legion Post, 106 East Garfield Ave. in Charlevoix. A minimum of 50 registered players is required to hold the event and the prize purse will be half of the total buy-in and add-on chip sales. Should 100 players register and purchase add-on chips, the prize purse will reach \$5,000 with \$2,500 for first place, \$1,500 for second, \$750 for third and \$250 for fourth. If 50 players are not registered, all tickets will be refunded. Players must be at least 21 years of age. You may register the evening of the event from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. or buy your tickets in advance by calling (231) 330-6971 or e-mail chxkls@yahoo.com.

APRIL 16

Knights of Columbus 33rd Annual Cash Party

This annual fundraiser supports St. Mary School in Charlevoix. Enjoy food, entertainment, prizes and beverages beginning at 6 p.m., April 25 at Castle Farms. Tickets are two people for \$150. Prizes include \$10,000 in cash and more. Tickets can be purchased by sending your check addressed to Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 35, Charlevoix 49720 and your tickets will be mailed back to you. You need not be present to win and you can send two guests in your stead with purchase of tickets. Call 547-4046 (days) or 547-6600 (nights) for more information.

APRIL 26

Wellabration

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At 6 p.m., May 8 at Boyne Mountain the Charlevoix County Republicans and guests will gather for their annual Lincoln Day Dinner.

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A \$75 buy-in nets players \$2,500 in chips with an add-on of \$1,000 in chips available for purchase at registration for an additional \$25. Draft beer, wine, pop and appetizers are included with the initial buy-in.

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"Kilowatt Hours"

A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

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Road trip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Australian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered car and go bio-powered drag racing.

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Charlevoix County faces another whistleblower suit

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

For the second time in as many years, Charlevoix County officials face a whistleblower lawsuit.

The suit was filed April 8 by former Charlevoix County Building and Safety Department employee Jim Easley, who was fired in January for what commissioners called performance issues.

"There is more to the story than what Mr. Christensen (Chris Christensen, District 2 Charlevoix County Commissioner) has previously stated to the press about my client's

dismissal," stated Easley's legal representation Mary Beth Kur in an e-mailed statement.

Named in the suit, which seeks in excess of \$25,000, are Christensen and Charlevoix County.

"I cannot comment at this time," said Christensen.

According to Charlevoix County 33rd Circuit Court documents, Easley claims he was wrongfully terminated after nearly 12 years of employment as chief electrical inspector nearly two weeks after he reported county building maintenance employee Frank Shaler for doing electri-

cal work without a license in January.

The Whistleblower Protection Act states that, "an employer shall not discharge, threaten or otherwise discriminate against an employee regarding the employee's compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment ... (because an employee) reports or is about to report ... a violation or suspected violation of a law or regulation or rule."

Both Easley and longtime building department head Ken Doty were fired in January by

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Egg hunters

The Easter Bunny is seen posing with some egg hunters following the annual Easter egg hunt in Charlevoix's East Park. Pictured are Brenda Wright and her children 3-year-old Abbey, 7-year-old Cole. Brayden Covey, 4 years old from Grand Rapids (far right) is also pictured. See page 12 for more Easter photos.

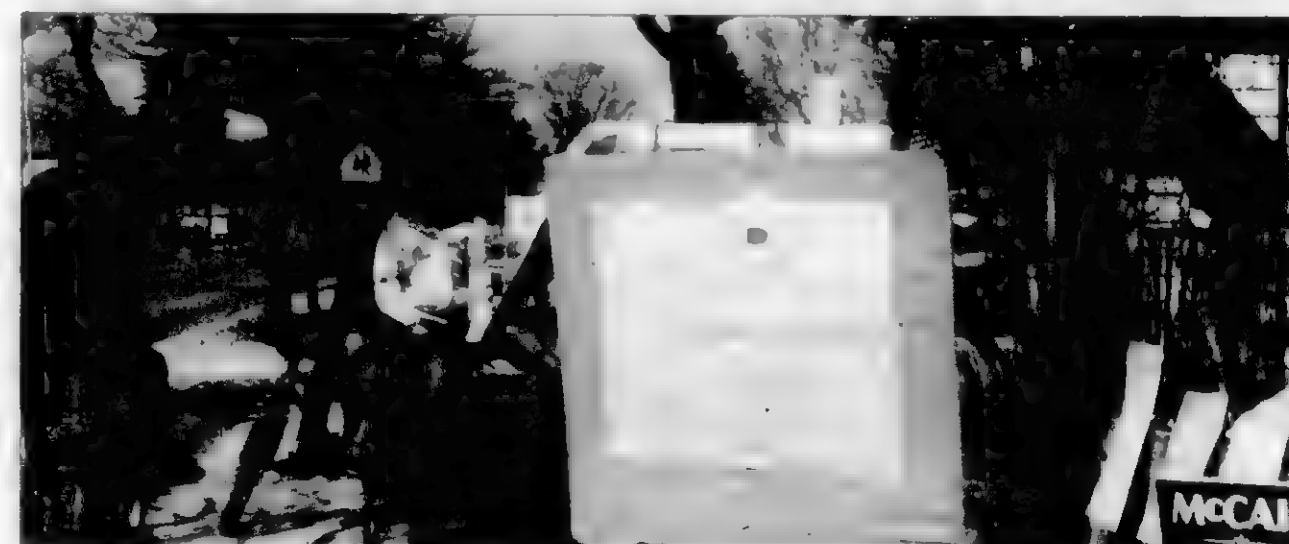


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Shonda Carpenter (far left) and Sheryl Denny (far right) got into a heated debate over President Barack Obama's politics and spending on the economic recovery plan. During the Charlevoix Conservative Tea Party on Saturday, April 11 which was organized as a preview of the national Tax Day Tea Party will feature protests against Obama's spending. See story on page 21.



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Three suspects in handgun thefts

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Three men have been arraigned on felony charges stemming from the theft and concealment of at least five handguns from a 220 West Lincoln St. home in

Charlevoix. According to Charlevoix 33rd Circuit Court records Antonio Joseph Cepeda-Mulholland, 18, of Charlevoix and Joshua Douglas Hoff

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Births

Nolyn Aslan Whisler weighing 9 pounds, 10 ounces was born March 30, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jenilee and Raymond Whisler of Central Lake. His siblings are Gavin, RJ, Liam, and Gabriel. His grandparents are Ray and Kris Whisler of Ellsworth, Tim Bunting of Boyne City and Dana Langworthy of Howard City. His great-grandparents are Eve Bunting of Boyne City and Marilyn Roach of Central Lake.

Jacelynn Jay Joann Cebulski weighing 5 pounds, 11 ounces was born April 7, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Gene Cebulski and Rebecca Murray of Ellsworth. Her grandparents are Cindy Cebulski Sr. from Niveville, Fla., and Bill and Joy Murray of East Jordan. Her great-grandparents are Harold and Ometa Goebel and Howard and Alice Murray all from East Jordan and Betty Grosser of Ellsworth.

Carli Lynn Silva weighing

8 pounds 9 ounces was born April 3, 2009 to Carrie L. Silva and Dallas T. Kawalske of East Jordan. Her grandparents are Ben and Sheri Silva, Larry and Bonnie Williams, Rodney and Jan DesRochers and Mark and Marie Kawalske all of East Jordan.

Rayah Arael Williams weighing 8 pounds 15 ounces was born April 1, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Joshua and Jessica (Campbell) Williams of East Jordan. Her sibling is Azahiah Janae. Her grandparents are Keith and Michelle Williams of East Jordan, Alan and Lorette Campbell of Charlevoix and Dan Schroeter of Interlochen.

District Court

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Mitchell Jon Matthew, 50, Walloon Lake. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay

\$310 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Jesse Raymond Wabanime, 30, Escanaba. Disorderly person/drunken. Pay \$350 in fines and costs or serve seven days in jail.

Todd Justin Noble, 23, Petoskey. Disorderly person/drunken. Pay \$350 in fines and costs or serve six days in jail.

Michael Christopher Dixon, 36, Charlevoix. Disorderly person/drunken. Pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Michael Joe Peck, 39, Charlevoix. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$400 in fines and costs.

Amy Kay Massey, 27, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve eight days in jail.

Chad William Ervin, 26, Goleta, Calif. Disturbing the peace; attempted resisting and obstructing. Credit for 15 days in jail; to serve 60 days in jail.

Craig Allan Wagner, 36, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated on a snowmo-

bile, first offense. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; to serve 10 days of community service work in lieu of 10 days in jail; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; no to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

Tania Natasha Weyn, 18, Boyne City. Malicious destruction of property, less than \$200; disorderly person. Credit for five days in jail; 83 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; \$500 in fines and costs.

Travis Dean Stuebing, 18, Charlevoix. Controlled substance: Possession of marijuana. Credit for 10 days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; 305 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; no to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$900 in fines and costs.

Maurice Williams, 37, Charlevoix. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve eight days in jail.

Cory Mylon Haight, 28, Boyne City. Retail fraud, third degree. Credit for three days in jail; to serve 12 days in jail; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$355 in fines and costs.

James David Kenwabikuse, 48, Beaver Island. Disturbing the peace. Credit for 32 days in jail; 61 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$355 in fines and costs.

Robert Kenneth Ruiz, 18, Manistee. False pretenses under \$200. Credit for four days in jail; to serve six days in jail; 83 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; \$323.16 in fine and costs.

Jessica Ann Gray, 34, Gaylord. No operator license on person. Pay \$150 in fine and costs or serve six days in jail.

Robert M. Crandell II, 45, Charlevoix. Reckless driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; serve five days of community

service work; \$780 in fine and costs.

David Bartholomew Tennant, 23, Charlevoix. Receiving and concealing, less than \$200. Credit for one day; to serve five days in jail; 7 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; PBT/urine test not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances to write a letter of apology \$750 in fines and costs.

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Commissioners adopted their version of ORV ordinance

Charlevoix County Commissioners adopted their version of the state's new ORV ordinance — a law which allows certain all-terrain vehicles on some road shoulders.

The ORV or off road vehicle law, which will be enforced beginning May 1, was approved following overwhelming audience support at the Thursday, April 9, public hearing at Charlevoix City Hall.

"We are ready for this ordinance," said Dennis Hass, owner of Chandler Hill Campground in Boyne Falls. "It's going to impact our business in a really positive way

bringing tourism and jobs to our business specifically, which is a real nice impact."

He added, "I was glad to hear there was lots of positive comments on it tonight and I look forward to having it enacted."

Now that the ordinance has been passed locally, four-wheelers, three-wheelers, multi-track recreational vehicles, dirt bikes, motorcycles, amphibious machines and hovercraft will be allowed on the far right portion of any county designated road with the following exceptions:

• Thumb Lake Road, U.S. 131 to the Charlevoix County

line:

• Boyne City/Charlevoix Road in its entirety;

• Boyne City/East Jordan Road from M-75 to the East Jordan city limits;

• Ellsworth Road from the East Jordan city limits to the Charlevoix County line;

• Marion Center Road, from Charlevoix city limits to the Charlevoix County line;

• Kings Highway, which includes Main Street, from the Light House, Sec. 26, St. James Township to East Side Drive, Sec. 34, Peaine Township, Beaver Island.

Commissioners could have chosen to prohibit off-road

vehicles from 30 percent of county roads, but instead chose only 6.7 percent of what they deemed the most heavily traveled truck routes.

Charlevoix Township chose to opt out of the ordinance altogether for an additional 2.5 percent of roads.

Following what some commissioners called a trial period over the next year, some roads could be added to or removed from the list.

"This is a first blush living document," said commissioner and board chairman Chris Christensen (R-District 2).

One of the main concerns repeatedly voiced by the au-

dience was whether riders would be cited for traveling short pieces of the prohibited roads to get from one of their properties to the next as well as driving on two tracks and certain other trails which have not been opened for use.

"Knowing these tickets will be coming through my office ... there will be a lot of warnings issued before we start writing any tickets," said Charlevoix County prosecuting attorney John Jaroma.

Federal and state highways remain off limits and ORV riders must stay with the flow of traffic and ride

no later than a half-hour after dark and no earlier than a half-hour before sunrise unless they have a head and tail light.

Children younger than 16 can ride the designated shoulders once they have a safety class certificate and are under the direct supervision of an adult.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider announced during the meeting that his office will begin the first ORV safety class on May 9 with details to follow.

Visit www.charlevoixcounty.org for a copy of the ordinance. Or, call 547-7200.

Planning commission OKs Alano plan

BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

Groundbreaking could soon begin on a new building for the Serenity House - Charlevoix Alano Club at 106 Mason St.

Charlevoix City Planning Commission voted unanimously—commissioner Larry Boog was absent—during their April 13 regular meeting to send the plan to construct a new meeting place, on the footprint of the old Alano Club, to city council for approval.

"Last couple of years, we decided ... the building no longer suits our needs," said Alano Club Chairman of the Board of Directors Richard O'Leary. "And, after going through the procedures, the building really needed to be torn down."

He added, "It really wasn't safe."

The previous Alano Club meeting space was a two-story house which, according to Bryan Lindfors of Performance Engineering, had a foundation that was "severely weathered" and had been constructed in the late 1800s.

Other than a couple minor set backs including changes to the plan's parking lot, Charlevoix City Planner Mike Spencer said the new Alano Club meeting



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

The nearly complete structure seen here is actually a 36-foot by 28-foot meeting space built by the Charlevoix High School building and trades class for the Alano Club of Charlevoix. Pending approval by Charlevoix City Council as early as April 20, groundbreaking could begin at 106 Mason St. where the old Alano Club building was demolished due to its old and unsafe condition nearly a year ago.

space and green space will mesh with the current downtown character.

"It's a conforming use," Spencer said. "Lodge halls, meeting halls, these types of things are accepted and allowed in the downtown business district."

The quarter-of-a-million-dollar project will include a landscape with plants and shrubs, trees, stamped concrete, patio and pathways, expanded meeting space and a basement.

The new building itself is a 36-

foot by 28-foot structure which has already been built by the Charlevoix High School building and trades class with materials paid for by the Alano Club and labor donated by the students.

Charlevoix City Council has the Alano Club plan review on the agenda of their 7 p.m., Monday, April 20 meeting.

O'Leary said, pending approval, groundbreaking could begin as early as April 21 with a date anticipated to move in sometime in June.

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Man escaped fire, not charges

BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

While he escaped an April 4 house fire in Charlevoix without serious injury, Cory Haight remains in jail.

Haight, who was in the 100 Meech St. house when it caught fire, was picked up on an unrelated matter.

"He was arrested at the scene," said Charlevoix Police Chief Gerard Doan. "The standard procedure is to run a police records check when we're called out, and it was determined that he had a valid bench warrant for his arrest."

Haight was arrested on April 4 for third-degree retail fraud.

He was then arraigned on Tuesday, April 7 in Charlevoix's 90th District Court where he pleaded guilty to

third-degree retail fraud for his part in a shoplifting incident in Boyne City.

Haight was arraigned later the same day in Charlevoix's 33rd Circuit Court where he pleaded guilty to violating a personal protection order which forbade him to have contact with his wife.

Haight was sentenced to

serve 15 days in jail, with credit for three days. He is currently serving the remainder of the 15 day sentence in the Charlevoix County Jail.

Haight's wife Jennifer and three children were not at home when the blaze occurred.

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Owner of My Sister's Closet Pat Dillon enjoys a relaxing conversation with Petokey News-Review Editor Kendall Stanley during the April 9 Business After Hours at North Pointes Inn. The next Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours is scheduled for 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., May 14 at the Charlevoix Courier, 112 Mason St.

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NO Story Time this Week

No Story Time April 16th
it will resume on April 23rd and continue each Thursday @ 10:30 am. Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Computer Boot Camp

Mondays in April, 10:30 - 11:30 am
If you have the basics down, but still feel like a beginner, step in to our computer camp on Monday mornings for the support and encouragement you need to master using a computer.

Price Your Antiques & Collectibles

Wednesday, April 15, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Find current selling prices using one of the library's tools.

What to Read Next

Thursday, April 16, 7:30 pm
All's fair in love, war, and historical novels! Join author L. Herrington in this overview of historical novels and hear her recommendations of current and emerging writers.

The Wonder of Raptors

Tuesday, April 21, 7:00 pm
Learn about raptor habitat, environmental issues and their endangered status. Rebecca Lessard, from the Wings of Wonder organization will bring 3 raptors to the event and answer questions.

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A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Grandchildren are a blessing, but they can also be a burden. I am looking forward to some

as I am that he'll make it through to the end of the week and is already wondering where he can hide out in peace. He may take the game of hide and seek to an all time high by disappearing for awhile. Babsitting is a reminder of why we have our children while we are young. More energy, being less forgetful and physical strength are all attributes I could use about right about now.

I did a little research on having children while you are young and found some good information besides the benefit of making another woman a younger grandma. Women for years have focused on the biological clock that ticks away the ability to still get pregnant, hold down a job and find the right person to be with. Well to and behold Lisa Belkin, journalist for the New York Times tells us that men have biological clocks too. After analyzing more than 33,000 American children the report claims that children born

to men forty years old and older are more likely to have offspring with lower I.Q.'s and poorer concentration and reading skills. Across the continent a Swedish study found that the risk of bipolar disorder also increases with a father who is older than 55.

So women listen up—choosing a father for your child according to his expiration date may be one more thing a woman has to worry about when getting pregnant. A 30 year old woman may start to look at a fifty year old man as damaged goods only if she plans on childbirth. I want to make that notation clear as I feel older men have a mature outlook and have a lot to offer, it's the child-bearing I am referring to. Men in their forties who desire to have offspring might actually have to come to grips with dating and marrying women their own age while in their twenties and thirties. I am beginning to like research.

Knowing this information that both men and women have an even score card, I'm pleased to have lived long enough to see that baby making has reached a level playing field. Young parents today are already becoming more aware of the involvement that parenting is a two way street. In the last few years couples announce 'we're pregnant' rather than having the woman enjoy the entire congratulations on becoming 'with child'. Today I see more involvement of men sharing the parenting and care for their children.

I just returned home from making last minute food purchases that will keep two seventeen month old boys fairly happy even if for two minutes. To my surprise my husband did a complete child proofing reminiscent of the Survivor Series. He had bungee corded every feasible cupboard in the kitchen and protected a precious glass table with blankets

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and bungee corded it as well. Make-shift gates were set up so I could warm up for the next Senior Olympic trials. This is going to be a longer week than I thought. The alarm is

set for 7:00 a.m. so we can be armed and ready for the track and field event of caring for twin grandsons. Now, if I can just remember where I put my bite split.

GUEST commentary

From a teacher's perspective

The following guest commentary is presented by Charlevoix High School government teacher Annemarie Conway.

Now that the community of Charlevoix has been fostered into the school district's negotiation process, I think it's important that you have some context and history from which to view things.

We formally began this bargaining cycle in March of 2008.

The teachers requested expedited bargaining, which protects both parties and generally limits the sort of collateral damage we currently see—billboards and blogs, for instance. The Board flatly

declined to expedite, and we were told that they could not fully participate in bargaining until after the bond election in May 2008.

In the same spirit with which we approach all our tasks, the teachers and support staff sent out hundreds of post cards with personalized notes in support of the bond project. It passed by a sizable margin, thanks to your generosity.

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Demo's do good

The Charlevoix County Democrats held a very successful drive on Saturday, April 4 to benefit the Boyne City Food Pantry, the Walloon Community Food Pantry and the Boyne Area Free Clinic.

The drive was held at Glen's Supermarket in Boyne City. At least 15 shopping carts were filled with grocery items and \$990 in cash and checks were collected.

Many shoppers commented that they appreciated the slips of paper we handed out at the door telling them which items were needed and that we would deliver the grocery items for them.

Several also told us we should do this more often. The Charlevoix County Democrats would like to express their gratitude to Glen's and the Party volunteers who worked on the drive.

Most of all, we want to thank the people of Boyne City who so generously gave groceries or money to help those less fortunate.

We also want to thank the hard-working and dedicated volunteers of the Boyne and Walloon Food Pantries and the Boyne Area Free Clinic who truly are the backbone of their communities and inspire the rest of us to do more.

The Boyne Food Pantry is located behind Trinity Fellowship Church at 401 State St. in Boyne City.

The Walloon Community Food Pantry is located at the Walloon Community Church at 4320 M-75 in Walloon Lake and the Boyne Area Free Clinic is located at 624 State St. in Boyne City.

Bill Lovett, Chair
Charlevoix County Democratic Party

Volunteers make a difference

Editor:
National Volunteer Week is celebrated April 19 through 25. We take this time to recognize our dedicated volunteers. We appreciate the tremendous contribution

RSVP volunteers make to Emmet and Charlevoix Counties. Our volunteers give the gift of time and talent, helping many non-profit agencies meet their mission. Senior volunteers work tirelessly, volunteering countless hours to improve our communities and truly make a difference. We are very fortunate to have

a dedicated group of men and women who assist with community need. Many local non-profit agencies could not meet their mission without the support of RSVP Volunteers. Thank you for caring and making a positive impact on your community. We value your efforts and appreciate all that you do. A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful volunteers.

Sally Pickering, Project Director RSVP of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties
Friendship Centers of Emmet County.

Sexual assault awareness

Editor:
The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRC) joins the rest of the country in recognizing April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The WRC helps hundreds of individuals and families each year that have experienced this devastating crime of sexual violence at some point in their lives.

The WRC has a strong history and mission of commitment and advocacy that provides a set of tools, knowledge, networks, and expertise for intervention after sexual violence.

This history now enters an additional mission of primary prevention.

Primary prevention is taking action before any violence occurs to prevent the initial assault or victimization. Primary prevention seeks to change root causes of sexual violence; such as societal norms, attitudes, and behaviors that lead to sexual violence.

Primary prevention is about individual, relationship, community, and societal change.

The WRC is seeking social change about how our society, our culture and our own community views sexual violence.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those team members in the community who support and take action with the WRC to end violence in our community. Representatives from the Health Department, Northern Michigan Regional Hospital, Char-Em ISD, faith community, and a private practice counselor and psychotherapist have joined with us to begin creating a community plan to help mobilize the change that is needed to end this destructive crime.

It is critical to get our com-

munity involved since sexual violence is a community problem and one sector alone cannot prevent this crime.

The responsibility for sexual violence prevention lies within each of us. Educate yourself and start conversations about the problem of sexual violence. Use language that respects and values diversity and empowers others. Challenge those that use degrading language or actions.

Intervene or get help if you see a friend or stranger grab or insult a woman.

Do not support companies that use commercials or ads exploiting women, and explain to children, nieces, nephews, and others that this is not okay. Help re-define what healthy masculinity looks like to end dangerous stereotypes.

Mentor youth by modeling equality in relationships. Primary prevention helps create communities where we all have the right to feel safe in our relationships, homes, neighborhoods, schools, and workplaces.

The WRC is a community supported non-profit agency serving residents in Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, and Oshtemo counties. For more information or support, call the WRC 24-hour crisis and information line at (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995.

Carrie Sundstrom
Community Prevention Coordinator

History in the Making!

Editor:
After working with the Charlevoix Historical Society for the past few years I have come to the realization that the things we are doing today will be considered history in a hundred years.

So, it becomes important to let the community know about activities and to document some of these activities for the future archives.

I am aware of a dedicated group of people incorporated as "SeaPorts Great Lakes," who are well on their way with plans to build a replica of the famous Great Lakes Schooner, the "Challenge" right here in Charlevoix.

They are enlisting the cooperation and hands-on efforts of the entire community and already have had great cooperation from the city, the Army Corps of Engineers, Northwest Academy, Concord Academy and other

schools.

This also is involving co-operation and approval of the U.S. Coast Guard and the DNR and other agencies.

The Historical Society has promised encouragement and has arranged for a power point presentation about "The Age Of Schooners" and their impact on Charlevoix, Ironton, Boyne City and East Jordan. This effort promises so much for our future. SeaPorts is arranging for this to be a "Summer of Tall Ships." From May 29 through June 1, the 135-foot three-masted schooner "Denus Sullivan" will arrive in Round Lake and there will be great festivities as well as a chance to see and board her and for those lucky school kids, to actually help sail her as crew.

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come the 77-foot schooner "Inland Seas" with a complement of students, and day trips will be available for the general public on July 1 and 2.

There is hope to also bring in again the wonderful, historic, 123-foot "USS Niagara" which visited us briefly last summer.

And as a bonus the "Liberty" a gaff-rigged sloop, will be here all summer in Round Lake as a training ship and again there will be opportunities for true sailing experiences.

So we truly have history in the making right here and right now.

I hope historians will say our communities around Lake Charlevoix proudly rose to the occasion and helped bring this project to fruition.

For more information on any of the preceding, visit www.charlevoixchallenge.org.

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High MEAP marks in Charlevoix and Emmet counties

BY CHRISTINA ROHN

Every school district in Charlevoix and Emmet counties — with the exception of Pellston Public Schools — met and exceeded the state MEAP averages in all subject areas.

The state assessment, which was taken by students in grades third through eighth in the fall of 2008, tested each student in math, reading, writing and English language arts. Additionally, fifth- and eighth-grade students were tested in science, and sixth-grade students were tested in social studies.

Dr. John Scholten, superintendent for Petoskey Public Schools, said he was pleased with his district's performance, which showed a 3 percent increase in math and a 4 percent increase in writing.

"Last year, we targeted our energies on math and writing, and our results have shown that our teachers are working really hard, and our students are working really hard," he said. "We're well above the state average in every area."

Mark Tompkins, first-year superintendent for Harbor Springs Public Schools, said he was happy to see his district outperform itself in every subject, except English language arts where scores remained the same, when compared to last year.

"The scores were good," he said. "I'm impressed."

Pellston Public Schools was a different story, however, with its average percentages for grades third through eighth falling 1 percent below the state average in math, and 3 percent below the state in writing. (See results in sidebar)

When compared to its previous year's MEAP scores (2007), Pellston's average percentage of students who met or exceeded the state's standards dropped significantly in every subject but math.

Pellston superintendent, Bill Tebbe, said he believes the difference in these scores can be attributed to a shift in students from last year.

"The kids taking the test this year, and the kids who took the test at the same grade level last year — like say last year's third graders are this year's fourth grade — are two different groups of kids in so many ways, so there is a difference in scores because of that."

Tebbe said the school is evaluating its curriculum, and has already made one significant change to affect next year's scores.

"All but one school district in Charlevoix and Emmet counties met or exceeded state-level standards in the 2008 MEAP assessment."

"We instituted a brand new writing program this year, K-12 — obviously the results of that won't be seen until this next year — those should pick up our writing scores," he said. "We are looking at our grade-level content to see where we need to make adjustments, in order to assure the kids have the ability to be successful on that test."

And, although East Jordan and Charlevoix public schools exceeded the state standards for 2008, their districts' average percentages dropped in several subject areas when compared to the 2007 MEAP results — East Jordan dropped 1 percent in reading, 2 percent in English language arts, 6 percent in science and 1 percent in social studies; Charlevoix dropped 3 percent in reading, 1 percent in writing and 4 percent in English language arts.

Charlevoix superintendent Chet Janik said he was not disappointed with these results.

"We like to look at the long-term trend — for many years our scores have been consistently above state average," he said. "We're continuing to look at them to see what we can improve, but overall, I have to compliment our teachers, students and parents."

Alanson Public Schools, showed significant increases in all subject areas when compared to its 2007 MEAP scores — 3 percent jump in math, 10 percent in reading, 12 percent in writing, 6 percent in English language arts, 5 percent in science and 5 percent in social studies.

When looking at the big picture, it would seem that local students, as well as students throughout the state are struggling with the writing portion of the MEAP.

In 2007, the state average for writing was 63 percent meeting or exceeding the standard. That year, Alanson and Pellston public schools fell below the average with 61 percent and 54 percent. Other districts hovered in the mid-60 to -70 percent range.

In 2008, the state average for writing increased by 3 percent to 66 percent. Pellston Public Schools was the only district to fall below this average with 63 percent passing. Beaver Island Community School and Harbor Springs Public Schools posted the highest averages, with 85 percent and 80 percent

meeting the standards. The remaining districts — with the exception of the Public Schools of Petoskey with 75 percent (up 4 percent from 2007) — posted average percentages in the mid-60s. (See results in sidebar)

Mark Tompkins, superintendent for Harbor Springs Public Schools, said writing is a difficult subject area for all schools.

"I think that writing is the hardest thing to teach because it's really individualized, and it's tough work — that's an area everyone needs to improve on," he said. "I believe the state is

looking at revising (the writing portion of MEAP)."

Gary Urman, Boyne Falls superintendent, said he believes writing is hard for certain students to catch onto, especially if they're not naturally creative.

"Writing isn't the easiest thing for people to do — it's almost a talent someone would have like an athletic ability," he said. "It's a creative kind of thing — sometimes I think we're trying to force kids to do it, when maybe they don't have the talents."

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We have many different raffles and offers for your to choose from. Besides the early bird offer (orders MUST be received by April 15), we are offering a "BIG Banquet Raffle" that will probably sell out well before April 28, and raffle ticket packages to be purchased through the mail as well. Your tickets will be held at the door on the night of the event. There is a package for one hundred dollars that gets you one hundred twenty five dollars worth of tickets. With the two hundred dollar package you will receive three hundred dollars worth of tickets.



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Again this year we will be featuring a "BIG Banquet Raffle." We will draw a winner out of 200 tickets sold at \$20 each. Be sure to see a committee member or return your reservation form early to be included in this special raffle. We expect it will be sold out before the event. The winners will receive:

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Charlevoix Public Schools Learning Success for All

CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY 5 ELECTION

On Tuesday, May 5, the Charlevoix Public Schools will hold its annual school election. On the ballot will be two positions on the Board of Education and the non-homestead millage renewal. Below are the common questions and answers about the non-homestead millage, which is required since 1994 for every school district in Michigan.

Please feel free to contact me at 547-3204 if you have any questions or would like clarification on this issue.

Please vote May 5

Chet Janik
Superintendent

What is a "non-homestead" property tax?

It is an 18-mill tax levy on business, industrial, agricultural and rental properties within a given school district. It is NOT a tax on homeowners. Because this is a local tax levy on businesses, Charlevoix Schools would lose the entire amount of money raised by this tax if the millage request is denied.

How much money is raised by 18 mills?

The amount varies from district to district, depending on the combined value of property in that district. For Charlevoix, the 18 mills represent \$ 7.7 million — or about 75% — of the district's total operating budget.

Why do we need to vote on this renewal?

When state lawmakers implemented Proposal A — which shifted most of the financing of education from property taxes to the increased state sales tax — they felt it was important to retain a local voice in the funding system. This "local voice" took shape as voter approval of the "non-homestead" millage, which is levied only against non-homeowner property, yet must be approved by all residents, including homeowners.

Will my home property tax rates go up if I vote yes?

No. Your home property tax rate will remain the same.

What happens if I vote yes?

For homeowners and businesses alike, nothing will change. Homeowners do not pay this tax anyway, and businesses will simply continue to pay a tax they have been paying all along. For the Charlevoix School District, a yes vote will mean a continuation of \$ 7.7 million worth of direct local funding.

What happens if I vote no?

For homeowners, nothing will happen. For the Charlevoix School District, a no vote will mean the loss of \$ 7.7 million in direct tax revenue. The rate will drop only for commercial, industrial and rental business; however, the direct loss of this funding would adversely affect all educational programs.

Can the District use bond money to cover expenses?

No. While the District receives revenue from the 1999 and 2008 bonds, these funds are restricted by law to bond projects and cannot be used for general fund expenses.

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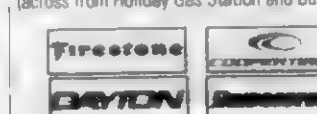
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OBITUARIES

Shirley Jane Mousseau: October 11, 1931 - April 7, 2009

Shirley Jane Mousseau, 77, of Charlevoix, died Monday, April 7, 2009, at her daughter's home.

She was born Oct. 1, 1931, in Ironton, to Glen and Ada (Prough) Williams.

On Oct. 11, 1947, she married Robert "Bob" Mousseau in Ironton.

They made their home in

the Charlevoix area, and Bob passed away on Sept. 5, 2005. Shirley was an antique dealer and with her sister, Evelyn Lambdin, owned The Sisters Antiques in Charlevoix for 25 years.

Shirley loved playing cards.

She is survived by her daughters, Patricia (Jim) Mousseau of Paisley, Fla., Peggy (Jodie)

Givens, and Jane (Walt) Holm all of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Jakki Goodenough, Cindy Stockman, Missy Loper, Bobby Joe Givens, Ryan Pittman, Roger Pittman, Amy Vanniman, seventeen great-grandchildren; sister, Linda (Maurice) Gardner of Charlevoix; brothers-in-law, Bud "BR" Mousseau, and Jack Lambdin both of Charlevoix;

sister-in-law, Jeanne Williams of Ironton.

At Shirley's request, no services will be held and cremation has taken place.

Interment will take place in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

Norman E. Lawson

Lawson, Norman E., 82 Passed away in Zephyrhills, Fla. April 4, 2009. Norm was a former resident of Charlevoix and is survived by his wife Gail, three sons: Greg, Chris and Matt; four stepchildren;

nine step grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions can be made to Hernando Pasco Hospice, 12107 Majestic Blvd., Hudson, FL 34667-2460.

DEATH NOTICE

Gerald (Jerry) Left

Left, Gerald (Jerry) of Charlevoix and Ft. Myers, Fla. died March 26, 2009. Arrangements pending. Complete obituary will follow.

Diversity and end-of-life care will be the topic of the 16th Annual National Bereavement Teleconference

"Diversity and End-of-Life Care" will be the topic of the upcoming Hospice Foundation of America's 16th Annual National Bereavement Teleconference.

This year's program, sponsored by Charlevoix Area Hospital, Hospice of NW Michigan and the Health Department of NW Michigan, is from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 29 at Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive, Charlevoix.

This year's teleconference will focus on how diversity influences end-of-life decision making and the impact that culture has at the time of death and during bereavement.

One of the goals of the teleconference is to increase sensitivity by helping professionals acknowledge how their own cultural values and assumptions influence the delivery of care. The program will include a special examination of hospice care and diversity, including how hospices are reaching out to diverse groups and incorporating traditional practices and alternative therapies.

The program will also discuss the challenges that may occur when culture considerations may cause ethical concerns or moral distress.

Moderated by Frank Sesno, Professor of Media and Public

Affairs at The George Washington University and Special Correspondent with CNN, the national panel of noted authorities includes: Samira K. Beckwith, President and CEO of Hope Hospice and Community Services; Sandy Chen Stokes, Executive Director, Chinese/American Coalition for Compassionate Care; Kenneth J. Doka, Professor of Gerontology, Graduate School of the College of New Rochelle; Wanda H. Jenkins, Bereavement Services Manager, Vitas; Richard Payne, Director, Institute on Care at the End of Life, Duke University; Paul Rosenblatt, Professor, College of Education & Human Development, University

of Minnesota; and Carlos Sandoval-Cros, Rev., St. Simon's Episcopal Church, and psychiatrist, private practice.

A local discussion panel will be held directly after the teleconference consisting of professionals from our northwestern Michigan community.

Low cost continuing education credit is available for nurses, social workers, case managers, funeral directors, clergy, and others.

For registration and/or additional information contact: Hospice of NW Michigan at 547-7448 Monday through Thursday. Early registration is recommended.

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Wellness Wednesdays at Charlevoix Area Hospital just \$12

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

What kind of a price would you put on your health?

At Charlevoix Area Hospital's Wellness Wednesdays, anyone interested can get a health screening which includes cholesterol and blood glucose level tests, a body mass index (BMI) score, a blood pressure reading, a blood pressure log and pedometer all for \$12.

"I have been finding that people do not want to get their cholesterol checked if they do not have insurance because it can cost hundreds of dollars," said Kathleen Jacobson a registered nurse with Charlevoix Area Hospital's Community Health Education program. "It's very important because people don't feel high cholesterol, but it is a major risk factor for heart disease, heart attack and stroke."



Kathleen Jacobson

The Wellness Wednesdays event is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., May 6.

Walk-ins are welcome or you may call 547-8906 to schedule an appointment. Jacobson said the entire visit will take 10 minutes per person and could end up saving their life.

"I would think having high blood pressure, high blood sugar or high cholesterol would be a motivator in

some cases," she said. "We can't do anything about heredity, but we can eat right and exercise."

This program, which is funded by the Charlevoix Area Hospital Association, will continue for as long as there is community interest. "With the present economic conditions, we have a population that's getting heavier and eating more unhealthy food that is cheap," Jacobson said. "I think if we can start making changes by getting the message out before it's too late."

Test results will be given at the time of testing. "They'll (participants) get their test results in five minutes," Jacobson said. "This is not a blood draw. It's just a finger prick." According to Jacobson, the consultation will be tailored to each person by a registered nurse.



COURTESY PHOTO

For just \$12 anyone can have their BMI, blood sugar, cholesterol and blood pressure checked at Charlevoix Area Hospital's Wellness Wednesday. Participants will have their test results in five to 10 minutes and only a prick to the finger—not a full blood draw—is necessary.

Petoskey Big Boy restaurant to help support Camp Daggett

Help Big Boy support Camp Daggett. Celebrity Server Night will be held at the Petoskey Big Boy restaurant from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21.

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EAST PARK EGG-STRAVAGANZA



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Organizers of the annual Easter egg hunt in Charlevoix's newly remodeled East Park said this was a record year for participants. Hundreds of people from all over the region and state attended the event. Here the children in the 3- and 4-year-old egg pen hunt for their share of nearly 5,000 eggs in total.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS



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Above, the mad dash for prize-filled eggs lasted but a few short minutes once the dozens of eager youngsters were let loose.

Left, Alexa Lewis of Atwood shows off her bounty of eggs following this year's Easter festivities in East Park. It was the 3-year-old's first time attending the Charlevoix Easter egg hunt.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Act of kindness

Harbor View Cafe owner Elizabeth Rich was awestruck when an anonymous local business owner approached her about his or her idea of paying it forward by paying for all the meals for Rich's customers on Wednesday, April 8. Rich said she thought it was a great act of kindness especially during a time when so many people are hurting financially.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Good breakfast, good Karma

Rachel Boss and her daughter Lilly are seen following breakfast on Wednesday, April 8 at Harbor View Cafe. An anonymous local business owner paid for all the meals of patrons that day in an apparent "pay it forward" campaign. Paying it forward, also a hit movie, is the practice of doing something nice for someone in hopes that they will do nice for someone else in turn.

Anonymous benefactor: Pay it forward

**BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR**

Patrons of the Harbor View Cafe got something strange with their meal last Wednesday.

In addition to being told their food, drink and gratuity were already paid for, they were asked to consider participating in their own act of benevolence.

"Someone who works for a local business owner just kind of came in on Monday (April 6) and presented the proposal," said Harbor View Cafe owner Elizabeth Rich. "I thought it was a wonderful thing."

The proposal was simple: The anonymous person or persons would reimburse Rich for all meals given throughout the business day of April 8.

Upon each customer's guest check, which arrived at the end of the meal, was printed the following: "Your meal and your server's gratuity are the treat of an anonymous business owner today. All he asks is that you consider doing something kind and unexpected for someone else in the next week or perhaps take the money you would have spent there and contribute it or spend it elsewhere in our community. Thanks!"

The restaurant, located at 100 East Antrim St. in the Oleson's Plaza, served more than 100 customers between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. that day.

Local resident Rachel Boss, who ate breakfast with a friend and her daughter, was shocked by the gesture.

"Not many people do these kinds of things these days," she said. "It is very kind."

Rich said the anonymous benefactor did something similar in another community, wherein he owns a business, with great success.

"One of our first customers just said 'thanks' and left a \$20 bill on the table for the server," she said.

The anonymous business owner paid nearly \$900 to cover the cost of all the meals and tips.

"My whole dining room was full at lunchtime," Rich said. "I did get some neat comments like 'I hope it comes back to you 10 fold.'"

Other pleased patrons told Rich they were going to donate money to local schools and even help the family who were victim of a recent house fire.

"I had an older couple that came in and said 'wow,'" she said. "They had toyed with the idea and decided to have their

99-year-old mother come to live with them. They were on the way to the hospital to pick her up and decided to stop off for lunch."

Rich added, "They were doing a good deed and it made them feel even better about their decision."

While many speculated on just who the benefactor was, Rich

said he wished to remain completely anonymous.

"To be honest," Rich said "It's so secret even I don't know who they are."

Rich forwarded some of the positive comments via the philanthropic phantom's agent who, in turn, reported that the benefactor was pleased.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

New coach eager to lead young team

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Rayder boys' golf face season with a new coach and a mix of new and experienced



players. In what will be their first year without long-time golf coach Jim Glynn, the Charlevoix boys' golf team

has its fair share of challenges and strengths.

"I'm very excited," said coach Doug Drenth. "We are returning many excellent players including the Ty Jones, Gunner Whitley and Wyatt Drost—all with Varsity experience—along with players Thomas Rich, Nick Brandi, Beau Boss and Connor Boss who have shown a lot of

promise."

With 13 golfers, the boys' numbers are right on from years past.

And, Drenth said, he has much faith in his four incoming freshmen as well as his returning All-Conference player sophomore Drost and honorable mention All-Conference players—juniors Jones and Whitley.

Drenth added that, last season, the Rayder boys' were the third place defending Michigan High School Athletic Association District Champions in the Lake Michigan Conference.

The Rayders will meet their first competition of the season on April 16 in Indian River. The boys' most fierce rival, Drenth said, "Traverse City

St. Francis—they are a perennial state power."

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The Rayder golf team is pictured (front, from left) Austin Lobenherz, Chase Hall, Ty Wilhelm, Trent Bradley, Ryan Wimmer, Mike Kras, Thomas Ruel, (back, from left) Beau Boss, Connor Boss, Nick Brandi, Ty Jones, Gunner Whitley, Wyatt Drost and coach Doug Drenth.

Skatepark open May 2

The Charlevoix Community Skatepark will open for the season at noon on May 2.

The park will be open from noon until dusk, Saturdays and Sundays.

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The schedule is weather permitting; weekends only until school is out.

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Girls' softball sign-up soon

Who: Girls from ages 7-14

What: Fastpitch Softball sponsored by Charlevoix Little League and Charlevoix Recreation Dept.

When: Starting in May

Where: City of Charlevoix ball fields and older divisions will compete within Little League District

Cost: Recreation league for girls ages 7, 8, 9 cost is \$20/ player. Little League Major and Junior divisions ages 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 cost is \$45/person (\$80 2-children; \$100/family)

Registration forms available: From school office or Charlevoix Recreation Dept.

Deadline to register by: Friday, April 17 by 5 p.m. Deliver completed forms to Charlevoix Recreation Dept., 210 State St. New player Little League registrations must include a copy of child's birth certificate.

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Local Buddhists seek best selves

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

While Buddhism has existed for dozens of centuries, it has been practiced in Charlevoix for fewer than 30 years.

The Soka Gakkai International USA form of Buddhism

practiced by Charlevoix resident Jeanne McGhee stems from the teachings of the ancient Nepalese prince Nichiren Daishonin who gave up his title and riches to pursue enlightenment.

"First: There are as many Buddha sects as there are Christian sects," McGhee said. "We're not Zen or Dalai Lama."

Fellow Buddhist Melinda

Kelley said Soka Gakkai differs from other sects of Buddhism mainly because it teaches that all people are equal and that all—regardless of financial, racial, sexual, religious orientation—are welcome to the practice of Buddhism.

"Before Nichiren Buddhism, it was mainly for priests and it wasn't accessible to lay-people," Kelley said.

Through faith, practice and study of the religion, Buddhists seek to increase their own personal happiness, care for others and decrease suffering.

"We really don't debate doctrine," said Buddhist Nadia Mathison. "We take on our

own life, to transform it into value by changing whatever situation we encounter in our lives and raising our life condition."

McGhee said the goal is to bring out each individual's "Buddhahood" or highest human potential.

"We really focus on the present moment. What am I needing to change to achieve and really bring forth the power that we have?" Kelley said. "We are not helpless; we are not destined to suffer just because something really bad happened. We can transform it into something positive."

Soka Gakkai Buddhists do not convene for a church

type service before a pastor, priest, imam or rabbi. They instead gather for discussion in a circle with a scroll called the Gohonzon which is inscribed by Nichiren, and then they chant the words "Nam-myoho-enge-kyo."

"Nam" means to devote oneself

"Myoho" means mystic law.

"Renge" means lotus flower. Since a lotus flower simultaneously produces seeds when it blooms, it is used to represent cause and effect.

"Kyo" means Buddha's voice or teachings.

Buddhists believe that, by chanting "Nam-myoho-enge-kyo" one can attain unsurpassed enlightenment, happiness and peace.

Buddhist Donna Ruhling said, "Buddhism is the belief that there is an innate wisdom, compassion and courage in all of us. It's kind of like the Wizard of Oz when Dorothy realizes that all of those things: heart, brains, courage, were all within her. She had the answers."

"Everyone has that creative value in them. You won't know, unless you chant, what the chant does for you," McGhee said. "And, we do not blame or put down others. You are in charge of your own self."

And, the ladies said, since Buddha is not a deity, anyone of any faith can be Buddhist.

"Jesus was Buddha, Martin Luther King (Jr.) was Buddha, Gandhi was Buddha," McGhee said.

For more information on Soka Gakkai Buddhism, go to www.sgi-usa.org

To attend one of the area's monthly meetings, call (231) 687-1548 for more information

The Charlevoix Public Library also has books, newsletters and magazines all about Soka Gakkai Buddhism, which is practiced by nearly 12 million people in more than 190 countries.

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220 West Clinton St. Emily Meyerson, Northern Lower Peninsula Trailways Coordinator, and Charlie McGinnis, TOMTC President will serve as keynote speakers for the event.

Among the many discussion topics will include new trail projects and future plans, community benefits, potential partnerships for facilities along the trails, as

well as an overview of the successful efforts of the Trails Council. You will hear about the network of trails that link communities as far from Charlevoix to Alpena, Gaylord to Mackinaw City and Petoskey to Cheboygan and beyond.

A brief question and answer period will round out the presentation, and all trail users and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

The TOMTC Annual Meeting is at 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 13 in the lower level of the Carnegie Building in Petoskey.

"National Trails Day" will be celebrated with an organized ride along the North Central State Trail beginning at 8:30 a.m., June 6 in Wolverine.

The event will conclude with lunch and prizes, and several area vendors will attend.

For more information about these and other upcoming events, activities, and volunteer opportunities, please contact TOMTC Executive Director Anne McDevitt at (231) 348-8280 or tomic@freeway.net, info@trailsCouncil.org or visit www.trailsCouncil.org

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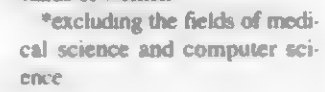
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas J. Stone and Karen C. Stone, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and

lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated November 8, 2007 and recorded November 19, 2007 in Liber 827, Page 435, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Indy-Mac Federal Bank, FSB by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-One and 05/100 Dollars (\$214,741.05), including interest at 7.5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on APRIL 24, 2009.

Said premises are located in the City of Boyne, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3 Aspen Meadows Commencing as a 1-1/2 inch pipe at the South 1/4 corner of Section 30, Township 33 North, Range 5 West; thence along the South line of said section South 88 degrees 38 minutes 34 seconds East 1250.00 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod; thence North 26 degrees 52 minutes 53 seconds East 1845.62 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod, being the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing North 26 degrees 52 minutes 53 seconds East 360.00 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod; thence North 83 degrees 43 minutes 04 seconds West 1381.77 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod on the Southeastly line of Old State Road; thence continuing North 83 degrees 43 minutes 04 seconds West 35.71 feet to the center line of said road; thence along said center line South 28 degrees 43 minutes 54 seconds West 300.00 feet; thence leaving said center line, South 81 degrees 17 minutes 04 seconds East 35.12 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod; thence continuing South 81 degrees 17 minutes 04 seconds East 1371.53 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the Southeastly line of Section 30, Township 33 North, Range 5 West.

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Dated: April 8, 2009

For more information, please call: FC 1248.593.1309

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gage was executed by Jeffrey P. Trauben and Lorrie Trauben in favor of Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, dated February 25, 2000 and recorded March 1, 2000 in the Register of Deeds of Charlevoix County, Michigan in Liber 383 at Page 400, securing the original principal amount of \$501,206.00. By reason of such default, the undersigned elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of said Mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on said Mortgage the sum of \$354,782.47, said interest accruing at the rate of 5.5641689 per day. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount, with interest as provided in said Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on May 15, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The West Four (4) rods of Lot No. Seventy-Nine (79) and the West Four (4) rods of Lot No. Eighty-Two (82), Cobb's Addition to South Boyne City of Boyne City, according to the Recorded Plat thereof.

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gage was executed by Jeffrey P. Trauben and Lorrie Trauben in favor of Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, dated February 25, 2000 and recorded March 1, 2000 in the Register of Deeds of Charlevoix County, Michigan in Liber 383 at Page 400, securing the original principal amount of \$501,206.00. By reason of such default, the undersigned elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of said Mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on said Mortgage the sum of \$354,782.47, said interest accruing at the rate of 5.5641689 per day. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount, with interest as provided in said Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on May 15, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The West Four (4) rods of Lot No. Seventy-Nine (79) and the West Four (4) rods of Lot No. Eighty-Two (82), Cobb's Addition to South Boyne City of Boyne City, according to the Recorded Plat thereof.

Also: Commencing at the Southeast (SE) corner of Lot Eighty Two (82) of Cobb's Addition to South Boyne, as per the Recorded Plat thereof, thence West Three (3) rods which is the beginning of this description; thence North to the North line of Lot Seventy-Nine (79) of said Cobb's Addition, thence West on said North line of Lot Seventy-Nine (79) Three (3) rods; thence South to the South line of said Lot Eighty-Two (82), and thence East Three (3) rods to the place of beginning, and being a part of said Lots 79 and 82 of said Cobb's Addition, City of Boyne City, according to the Recorded Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 15, 2009

For more information, please call: FC 1248.593.1309

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Robert J. Zemelock, a single man, Mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), Mortgagee, dated the 26th day of March, 2007 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of April, 2007 in Liber 799 of Charlevoix County Records, page 609, said mortgage having been assigned to Sutton Funding LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Nine and 89/100 (\$52,421.89), and/or suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of May, 2009 at 11:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI 49720 (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 9.600% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the City of Charlevoix, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, and described as follows: to wit:

The West 26 feet of Lot 1 and the East 23 feet of Lot 2 of Taylor's Addition to the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 4/8/2009
Sutton Funding LLC
Mortgagee
FABRIZIO & BROCK, P.C.
Attorney for Sutton Funding LLC
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas E. Goodburn and Edith A. Goodburn, husband and wife as joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 31, 2003, and recorded on April 28, 2003 in Liber 535 on Page 075, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six and 97/100 Dollars (\$65,436.97), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on May 15, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section 27, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence North 150 feet along the West section line of said Section for the point of beginning for this description; thence continuing North along said West section line 150 feet, thence East 580 feet parallel with the East and West eighth line of the said Southwest Quarter; thence South 150 feet parallel with the West line of said Section; thence West 580 feet parallel with the East and West eighth line of said Southwest Quarter to the point of beginning for this description; being a part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 27, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 15, 2009
For more information, please call: FC 3248.593.1302
Trot & Trot, P.C.
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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS

Monday, April 6, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

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Council adjourned at 7:23 p.m.
A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

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Tea party turns to shouting match

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

You might have heard of the Boston Tea Party, but the Charlevoix Conservative Tea Party?

While there wasn't any actual tea thrown into Charlevoix's harbor last Saturday, the protest of President Barack Obama's spending practices by some evoked strong responses from several passersby of tea party headquarters at 1214 Bridge St. "I guess they don't like Obama because of the stuff (he's) doing," said Shonda Carpenter, who was out for a bike ride on April 11, and decided to stop in front of the protest and voice her own opinion. "But people (have) got to pay taxes anyway."

She added, "I think Obama's doing a damn good job."

Carpenter, an 18-year-old who said she voted for Obama in the 2008 presidential election said the protest was "petty."

The Charlevoix Conservative Tea Party was a preview of the national Tax Day Tea Party, an event with the same theme, scheduled nationwide for Wednesday, April 15—also known as tax day.

Organizers of the Charlevoix Conservative Tea Party stood with signs which stated "Obama: Commander And Thief." "God only requires 10%," "The Revolution is Brewing" and "Don't Tread On Me."

The women were serenaded by a chorus of honking horns from passing cars and even a pedestrian who shouted an epithet-peppered statement in support of Obama.

In the background, the Rush Limbaugh Show emanated from the stereo of a car parked at conservative tea party headquarters.

"It's not just about taxes," said tea party organizer Michelle Brock. "It's his agenda: Higher taxes, socialism, big government—I don't want the government telling me what to do."

Fellow tea party organizer Patty Sitzema said she just wants to see Americans treated equally.

"We expect that the taxes we pay now shouldn't have to reflect what our kids pay in the future," she said. "He needs to learn his foreign policy... and when he talks to foreign leaders he doesn't bow."

Main tea party organizer Sheryl Denny said, while there was some negative feedback throughout the day, most of the response to their protest was positive.

Denny invited anyone interested to come out to the Tax Day Tea Party observance beginning at noon on Wednesday, April 15 at 1214 Bridge St., next door to Small Engines Unlimited.

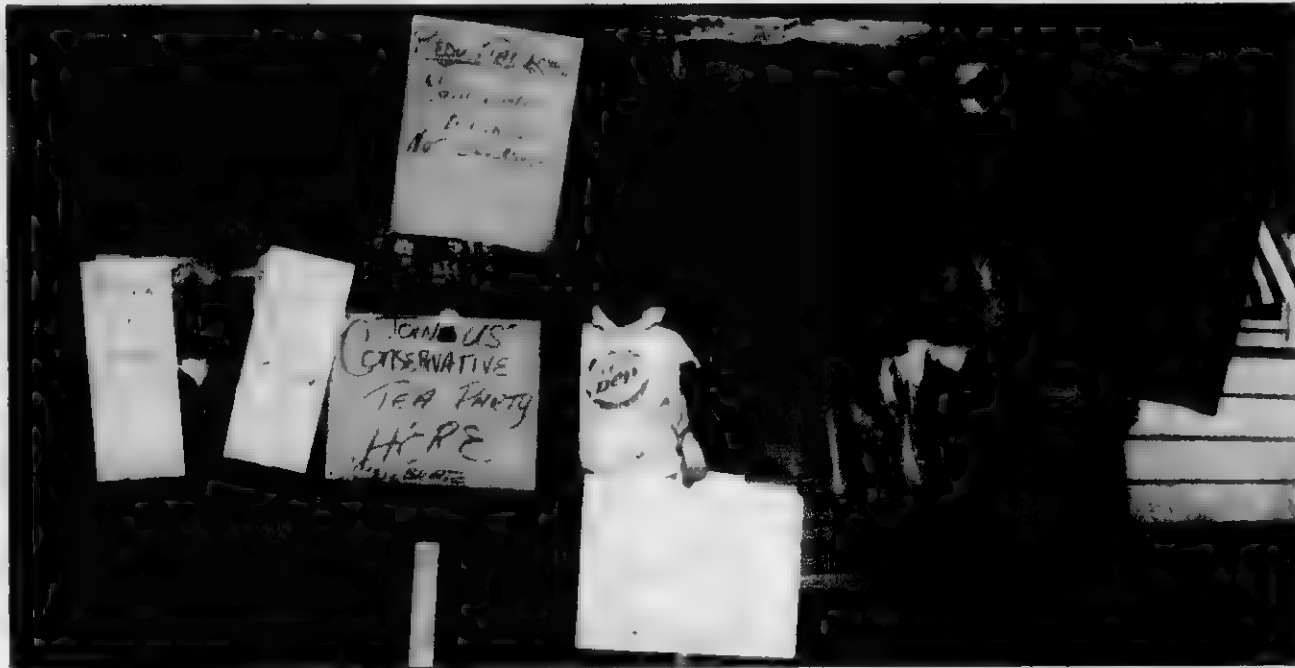


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Organizers of the Charlevoix Conservative Tea Party (from left) Patty Sitzema, Sheryl Denny and Michelle Brock hold signs in protest of President Barack Obama's spending plans. The women held their tea party on Saturday, April 11, in advance of the national event of the same theme called the Tax Day Tea Party which will occur nationwide on Wednesday, April 15.

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American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.americanredcross.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: preventing disease transmission.

Hockey tryouts

Call the Traverse City North Stars Girls Travel Hockey team for registration and tryout information at (231) 218-0182 or visit www.tchockey.com.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Balls alone

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarczyk and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fire Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native re-

ligion. All are welcome. You do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix: Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more. Call 547-4221 for more information; Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

AAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength
In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circleofstrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Museum winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Gifts can be made online by going to www.charleunitedway.org and selecting "Give." For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@charleunitedway.org

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years.

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@charleunitedway.org. Char-Em United Way is planning to hold an informal meeting in early summer to gather United Way alumni, update them on activities and plans of the local United Way, and solicit their advice. Local United Way leaders are planning to develop a Loaned Executive program and would like to incorporate best practices of other communities.

Free Tax

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The NMCAA office is located at 2202 Mitchell Park Drive #4 in Petoskey.

United Way campaign

With only one month before it makes annual Community Investment Allocations, Char-Em United Way announces that it is nearing 90 percent of its campaign goal. The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge grant to United Way if it meets the campaign goal. Tax-deductible contributions to the United Way 2008-2009 Campaign can be mailed to P.O. Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770. Gifts can be made online by going to www.charleunitedway.org and selecting "Give." For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@charleunitedway.org

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.
• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Winter hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.
• Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays.
• Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18
• Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16
• Call for submissions for the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle show. Open to two or three dimensional artwork or furniture formed from recycled materials and artwork with an emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Call (231) 373-6033 for more information.

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The beginner class will meet at 10 a.m., and the intermediate class meets at 11 a.m.—on Tuesday, April 7 and will be at the Charlevoix County Public Library Community Room B.

Boyer City classes—the beginner class will meet at 9 a.m., and the intermediate class meets at 10 a.m.—will begin on April 8 at the Boyer District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

Tai Chi is a safe, gentle, non-impact exercise that promotes health and inner tranquility. It also builds strength and endurance, and improves balance, coordination and flexibility. Tai Chi is suitable for people with problems moving because of age, injury, arthritis, and all levels of physical fitness.

The hour-long classes are open to all. Cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those younger than 60. Call 237-0103 or 582-7689 or e-mail megpots@sbcglobal.net.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Girl Scout cookies

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders at cookie booth sales which will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Kmart in Charlevoix from April 24 to May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsmists.org or call (866) 566-7434. Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each package to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps. Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore serves more than 20,000 girls with the support of nearly 4,500 adult volunteers in our 30 counties.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Applications have been sent to Art Educators and Counselors at Antrim and Charlevoix schools. Applications are also available on-line at www.jordanriverarts.com. The deadline to submit applications is April 19.

The Scholarship show will open at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, at the Jordan River Arts Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan. The Awards Ceremony will be at 2 p.m. that day. Students must be present to receive an award. The show will be open to the public from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily, May 17 through June 6.

APRIL 14

Three cups of Tea
A community discussion on the book "Three Cups of Tea" at 6:30 p.m. in Charlevoix Public Library will cover the book and members of the Little Traverse League of Peace and Freedom

will attend to offer suggestions for ways community groups and/or individuals can help support the author's cause—building schools in poor countries. Call 237-7340 for more information.

APRIL 15

Plant sale
Whether you live on the waterfront or simply want to experiment with the use of native plants in your landscape, the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council's native plant sale offers six kits. Each kit is a collection of five different species with the same site requirements. Kits include 12 to 32 plants each and are priced at \$60 or \$80 per kit. Call 347-1181 to request a brochure or visit www.watershedcouncil.org for color photos and descriptions and order forms. Orders must be received by April 15. Plants will be available for pick-up on June 6, 7, 13 and 14 at the Emmet County Fairgrounds.

APRIL 16

Swirl at Crooked Tree Arts Center
Meet new people, educate your palate and live on your Thursday evening: Swirl continues at the Crooked Tree Arts Center on Thursday, April 16, with a theme of Make it New: Unusual Varieties. Swirl mixes wine, music and art at Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center.

Esperance of Charlevoix presents a wine tasting with creative hours d'oeuvres while community members mingle in the galleries and enjoy live music. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m. and refreshments begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when ~~there is~~

Swirl will continue for one more event before taking a summer break with May 14 program Summer Premiere: Wines for the Sunshine Season.

For more information and to purchase tickets, contact the Crooked Tree Arts Center at 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org and Esperance at 237-9300 or visit www.esperancewine.com.

APRIL 16, 18

NWA Kindergarten round-up
From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 16 at Northwest Academy of Charlevoix, 115 West Hurlbut, St., there will be a Kindergarten round-up for parents to enroll their student or get more information.

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mation about the school. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 18, there will be a K-12 open house for enrollment for all students. Call 547-9000 for more information.

APRIL 16, MAY 14

Swirl at CTAC
Meet new people, educate your palate and live on your Thursday evenings with Flavors of Portugal. Swirl mixes wine, music and art at Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m.; refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when available. Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

APRIL 16

Singles for Christ
All singles 40 and older are invited to dinner at 6 p.m., April 18 at J.W. Filmore's, 906 Spring St. in Petoskey. Following dinner, participants will go to Zion Lutheran Church at 500 W. Mitchell in Petoskey to play Bible trivia, dominoes, board games, cards and more. Bring snacks, if interested. R.S.V.P. is required to reserve seating, please call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnpr.com.

Poker tournament for charity

The Charlevoix Elks Lodge # 2856 will host a Texas Hold 'Em tournament at 6:30 p.m. at the Leslie T. Shapton American Legion Post, 106 East Garfield Ave. in Charlevoix.

A minimum of 50 registered players is required to hold the event and the prize purse will be half of the total buy-in and add-on chip sales.

Should 100 players register and purchase add-on chips, the prize purse will reach \$5,000 with \$2,500 for first place, \$1,500 for second, \$750 for third and \$250 for fourth. If 50 players are not registered, all tickets will be refunded. Players must be at least 21 years of age. You may register the evening of the event from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. or buy your tickets in advance by calling (231) 330-6971 or e-mail chexlks@yahoo.com.

A \$75 buy-in nets players \$2,500 in chips with an add-on of \$1,000 in chips available for purchase at registration for an additional \$25. Draft beer,

wine, pop and appetizers are included with the initial buy-in.

APRIL 22

NLEA business class
The Northern Lakes Economic Alliance is offering a "How to start a business" class from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan. The class costs \$20 and registration is required by calling Sara at (231) 582-6482 or e-mail her at sara@northernlakes.net.

APRIL 28

The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan will be hosting their annual meeting at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 23, at Stafford's Bay View Inn in Petoskey and is open to the public.

Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

Financial peace program

At 8 p.m., April 23 at the Community Reformed Church on the corner of Meech Street and Petoskey Ave. in Charlevoix, there will be a live broadcast of financial guru Dave Ramsey's Town Hall for Hope. This is an opportunity to sit down with people in your community for a nationwide town hall meeting led by Dave Ramsey in a live presentation which will feature straight talk about the economy, recession, foreclosures and more. He'll carefully explain where the country has come from, where it is now, and what you should be doing with your money during this time. Then, Dave will spend an hour answering your questions live. Questions will be taken by phone, e-mail, Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and more. Go to <http://www.townhallforhope.com> to see all the ways in which you can join in the conversation and this free event. Call Jan Boss at Community Reformed Church, 547-9482 for more information.

APRIL 25

Knights of Columbus 33rd Annual Cash Party
This annual fundraiser supports St. Mary School in Charlevoix. Enjoy food, entertainment, prizes and beverages beginning at 6 p.m., April 25 at Castle Farms. Tickets are two people for \$150. Prizes include \$10,000 in cash and more. Tickets can be purchased by sending your check addressed to Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 35, Charlevoix 49720 and your tickets will be mailed back to you. You need not be present to win and you can send two guests in your stead with purchase of tickets. Call 547-4046 (days) or 547-6600 (nights) for more information.

APRIL 26

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on April 26, the Zonta Club will sponsor Z Tea at the Charlevoix Library. Join story teller Margie Culver and tea specialist Mary Grace Ottis for food, fun and prizes. Space is limited, so call 547-4109 for more information.

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From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on April 26, the Zonta Club will sponsor Z Tea at the Charlevoix Library. Join story teller Margie Culver and tea specialist Mary Grace Ottis for food, fun and prizes. Space is limited, so call 547-4109 for more information.

APRIL 28 AND MAY 26
The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.
• April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours - A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.
• May 26 - The COOLFUEL Road trip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great Family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Australian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered car and go bio-powered drag racing.

MAY 2

Wellabration
From noon to 4 p.m., the event "Understanding Energy Medicine" a day of health and wellness for all ages will be held on Saturday, May 2, at the Charlevoix Public Library. The keynote speaker, Elaine Grohman, will present her talk at 1 p.m. Grohman is a certified Healing Touch Practitioner, and Associate Polarity Practitioner and an Angel Therapy Practitioner from Farmington Hills. Call 237-7340 for more information.

MAY 8

Lincoln Day Dinner
At 6 p.m., May 8 at Boyne Mountain the Charlevoix County Republicans and guests will gather for their annual Lincoln Day Dinner.

MAY 11

NLEA luncheon is from noon to 1:30 p.m., May 11 in the Matterhorn Room in Civic Center Boyne Mountain Resort, Boyne Falls. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$200 per reserved table of eight. Call (231) 582-6482 for more information.

MAY 14

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from

noon to 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 14 at the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church on the corner of US 31 North and Meech Street. Call (800) 448-3543 for an appointment or drop in. Bring your ARC donor card or government photo I.D.

MAY 16

Literary Delights
Zonta Club hosts their annual Michigan Women Authors Luncheon. Proceeds for SOS community girls enrichment program. This year's event features Sue Harrison, Amy L. Young and Julie Frawley. Purchase tickets, \$40 each, at Round Lake Book Store or call 547-4109 or contact any Zontian.

Commodity pick-up
The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

Lions collect glasses
The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

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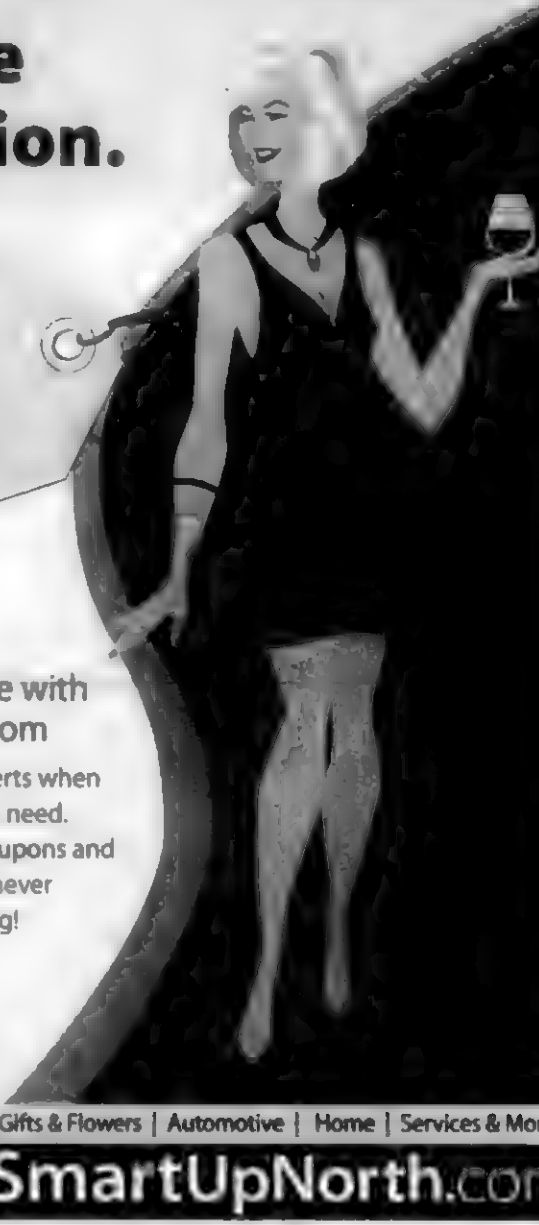
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Two arraigned in Michigan Officeways theft

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

An East Jordan husband and wife were arraigned April 14, accused of stealing and concealing nearly \$40,000 worth of cash and goods from Michigan Officeways of Charlevoix.

Laura Lynne Patton, 42, was charged with a 10-year and/or \$15,000

felony of embezzlement greater than \$20,000, but less than \$50,000 and a 10-year and/or \$10,000 felony of using a computer to commit a crime; husband Rodney Patton, 43, was charged with a five-year and/or \$10,000 felony of receiving and concealing stolen property more than \$1,000, but less than \$20,000.

"The allegations are that she (Laura Lynne) was a long-time employee and that she took funds and property," said Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema.

According to the investigation report by Det. Cpl. Todd Reeves of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, Laura Lynne used her position as manager and purchasing agent for Michigan Officeways to buy vacuums, cameras, com-

puters and peripherals, fuel and hardware supplies without authorization.

"We're pleased that the investigation went so well," said Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider. "Our detective did a great job on it and hopefully we're going to try to recover some of the monies that Michigan Officeways lost."

The Pattons face a 2:30 p.m., May 4 preliminary examination.

"How serious is this?" said Jarema. "This is a small community, and being a small business owner you have to trust your employees. Obviously she violated that trust."

He added, "When you find out someone in your own business is stealing from you, it's pretty tough to take."



Rodney Patton



Laura Patton



COURTESY PHOTO

Local soldier injured

Army Sergeant R. Troy Drebenstedt is seen in front of the South African-made armored personnel carrier he was riding in while on tour in Afghanistan at the end of March. The vehicle was flipped by a roadside bomb. See story, page 3.

City Council looks for exploratory committee?

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix City Council approved the search for an exploratory committee to consider seeking a recreation authority for Mt. McSauba during their April 20 meeting.

City recreation director Ike Boss said he would like to propose a two-tenths of a mill levy to the taxpayers, which could generate \$139,000 to support the ski hill's operational and capital expenditures as early as this November.

"The city, for the last 34 years,

has subsidized the operation of Mt. McSauba anywhere from \$20,000 a year to quarter million dollars depending on what was going on out there," he said. "I think the time has come for the area to support this rather than just the city taxpayers to support it."

Boss, who plans to meet with Charlevoix, Manon and Hayes townships to discuss sharing the burden of cost said he would like to see a recreation authority created to allow area residents to use the winter park for free.

"If we pass this proposal,

everybody in these townships and the city would ski free and rent free; lessons would be half price," he said. "And then if you didn't belong to this authority you would pay full price ... which would still generate \$20,000 a year with fees over and above what these taxes (2/10 mill) would bring in."

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel said he thinks the formation of an exploratory committee is a great idea.

"Obviously there are still some questions that need to be answered," Straebel said. "And,

the more we can incorporate the different townships that would be affected by this, the better off the proposal would be."

Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. also supported the venture, but emphasized the need for input from the entire community on the matter before moving forward.

"(I'm) just getting ideas to see if they want to form a committee," Boss said, and added that he wants equal representation on any potential committee which may be formed.

I want to see two people from

each township and the city on this," he said.

Boss said the matter is in the early stages of mere discussion, but added that everyone he has talked to so far has thought the speculative authority was a good idea.

"If you have a hundred thousand dollar home you pay taxes on \$50,000; it'll cost you \$10 a year so every child, every adult can ski and use the skating rink," he said. "There are a lot of needy children in this area. We have a free day for (kids) ... and this is the only time that 80 percent

of the children in town get the chance to skiing, get lessons and have a good time."

Boss said he merely wants the go-ahead from the council to meet with the surrounding townships and discuss the matter with them.

Boss' current budget is approximately \$110,000 per year. And, Boss said, the extra nearly \$50,000 each year could be used for capital improvements such as maintaining groomers, snow guns, the snowboarding park, sledding hill, skating rink and rope tows.

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Births

Hayden Michael Byrd weighing 7 pounds 12 ounces was born April 10, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Randi Scott and Kenneth Michael Byrd Jr. of Boyne City and Taylor. His grandparents are Debra Hall and John Dettloff of Boyne City, Kenneth Michael Byrd of Taylor, Alice McMahon of Boyne Falls and Mike Scott of Fairbanks, A.K. His great-grandparents are Kenneth Byrd of Taylor and Bill and Sally Scott of East Jordan.

Kayah Arael Williams weighing 8 pounds 15 ounces was born April 1, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Joshua and Jessica Williams of East Jordan. Her sibling is Azahiah Janae Williams. Her grandparents are Keith and Michelle Williams of East Jordan, Alan and Lanette Campbell of Charlevoix and Dan Schroder of Interlochen.

Joelle Emelia Edwards weighing 6 pounds 3 ounces was born March 20, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Ron and Julie Edwards of Charlevoix. Her siblings are Kaleigh, Jessica, Katherine and Julian. Her grandparents are Ron and Ann Edwards Sr. of Jacksonville, N.C., and Bob and Lora Jones of Columbusville, Mi.

Circuit Court

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix

County's 33rd Circuit Court:

David Michael Thomas, 21, East Jordan. Controlled substances-possession of narcotic/cocaine, less than 25 grams; controlled substances-maintaining a drug house. Sentenced to 60 days in jail; credit for 60 days; to serve 18 months on probation; \$960 in fines and costs.

Cory Wayne Karlskin, 24, Boyne City. Controlled substances-possession of narcotic/cocaine, less than 25 grams. Sentenced to 270 days in jail; credit for 90 days; to serve 90 days in jail; to serve 24 months on probation; \$540 in fines and costs.

Chad Tousley, 23, Boyne City. Controlled substance-possession of narcotic/cocaine, less than 25 grams; controlled substance-maintaining a drug house. Sentenced to 180 days in jail; credit for one day; to serve 18 months on probation; \$898 in fines and costs.

Shawn David Howard, 39, Boyne City. Operating while intoxicated-third offense. Sentenced to 270 days in jail; credit for two days; to serve 180 days in jail; to serve 24 months on probation; \$1,028 in fines and costs.

Douglas Brian Cozier, 47, Boyne City. Two counts of controlled substance-possession of marijuana. Sentenced to 120 days in jail; credit for one day; to serve 12 months on probation;

\$470 in fines and costs.

Assumed Names

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Beacon Hats, 5565 M66, Charlevoix, by Mark White. Clean it all, 803 Olson St., East Jordan, by Linda Reynolds.

Keystone Consulting, 1414 Timber Ridge Trail, Boyne City, by Thomas Johnson.

Charlevoix County News, 112 East Sixth St., Gaylord, by David Baragrey.

Douglas Kautien LTD, 1245-92 Upper Kelsey Drive, Charlevoix, by Douglas S Kautien.

Li'l Cebe's Li'l Engines and Sharpening Services, 02618 Old Horton Bay Road, Boyne City, by Darryl Ceber Gillespie.

Kerr's Services All Seasons, 08730 Horton Bay Road, Charlevoix, by Jeffrey L. Kerr. Eceek's Underground, 04481 Brock Road, Charlevoix, by David Eakes.

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Mr. Dig, 9939 Peebles Road, Ellsworth, by Daniel J. Drost. I'm Dig'n It, 13030 Phelps Road, Charlevoix, by Larry Drost.

Divorces

The following people were recently granted judgments of Divorce in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County:

Brandon S. Billings vs. Dawn M. Billings.

Kimberlee D. Fleming vs. Gregory Scott Fleming.

Dawn M. Bognar vs. Kenneth Daniel Bognar.

Tammy Kathleen Brady vs. James William Brady.

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce's next Business After Hours is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., May 14 at the Charlevoix Yacht Club, 209 Ferry Ave. in Charlevoix.

This event will be co-hosted by the Charlevoix Courier newspaper and the yacht club.

Planned Power Outage

A fifteen minute planned power outage will take place at 9:30 p.m. on Monday, April 27.

The outage will affect downtown businesses between Antrim Street and the drawbridge, and from the marina west to State Street.

The outage is required for City of Charlevoix crews to perform necessary maintenance on the city's power grid.



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3rd Annual Youth Orchestra Festival

The Crooked Tree Youth Orchestra will host the 3rd Annual Youth Orchestra Festival, as part of Crooked Tree's Youth Arts Festival, at 5 p.m., April 25 in the Charlevoix Performing Arts Center. This year the festival has expanded to include a junior high string orchestra with the already established high school symphony orchestra under the direction of Robert Dudd and guest conductor John Wilkinson from the Sault Symphony performing the "Academic Festival Overture by Brahms." The performance will be held at Charlevoix High School, 5200 Marion Center Road. This performance is open to the public and admission is free.

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Charlevoix could receive fire grants

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

From thousand dollar breathing apparatus to a \$26,000 portable heart defibrillator, fire and EMT services are not cheap.

But, according to Charlevoix City Fire Chief Paul Ivan, there is help available through Department of Homeland Security grants.

"Out of six or seven years, we have been awarded two grants," Ivan said. "We got almost \$70,000 for all new

breathing apparatus in 2003 and another \$5,000 (in recent years)."

The Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AIFG) Program is open to Michigan fire departments and various non-affiliated emergency medical service groups.

Applications are due by 5 p.m., May 20.

Ivan said his department is in need of several items.

"The past couple years we've been talking about entering a county-wide grant to replace some of our ALS (advanced life support or heart) monitors," he said. "We are in the process of seeing what needs we have and putting together a proposal."

According to a recent press release by U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) and Carl Levin (D-MI), the firefighter assistance grants will total nearly \$510 million to "improve the effectiveness of operations and health and safety programs and to establish or expand fire prevention programs throughout the United States."

"The brave men and women that serve Michigan as fire fighters and first responders protect families and communities when emergencies arise," Stabenow stated. "I encourage Michigan fire departments and EMS organizations across the state to apply for this vital funding, which will help pro-

vide them with the best possible equipment and training." For more information visit www.firegrantsupport.com or call (866) 274-0960.

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Local soldier injured in Afghanistan

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Army Sergeant R. Troy Drebenstedt was traveling a road near Pakistan's border when his personnel carrier was flipped by a roadside bomb.

The IED or improvised explosive device sent the South African-made armored personnel carrier tumbling, severely injuring Drebenstedt and some of his men.

"He's been in Afghanistan since the first of the year ... and he served 14 months in Iraq, but this is the first time I've really been concerned for him," said Troy's father Bob Drebenstedt. "We were in Oklahoma when

we found out. He ... called and got a hold of Marliiss (Bob Drebenstedt's wife). She was driving to the grocery store he said. 'You better pull over to the side of the road.'"

He added, "He kept telling her, 'Mom, I'm OK, I'm OK. I don't know what would have happened if she would have gotten that phone call from the Army.'"

The 25-year-old soldier was ejected when the truck rolled. It rolled over his legs, damaging his lower ligaments and he had numerous shards of glass stuck in his body.

"You think you're prepared for it," Bob said.

Troy is now recuperating and on restricted duty. Even though he received trauma to his internal organs from the blast and crash, he was able to get up and move around in the weeks following the incident which occurred in late March.

Troy has served six years in the army on active duty and he is currently with the Sapper combat engineering unit which does everything from build bridges and roads to remove mines and construct airfields.

Troy's specific duty within the troop is to watch for road mines and roadside bombs.

"He's healing," Bob said. "When his 30 days of light

duty are done the army will send him home for a couple weeks."

He added, "The way he's talking he's going right back at it, but we haven't heard anything from the Army."

Their biggest fear is that internal injuries can crop up many months after a concussion from explosions happens.

Bob said, "We'll have to watch him closely." He said, "But, he called the other day saying he was in barracks going stir crazy."

Troy's group had been watching insurgents cross the Pakistani border into Afghanis-

stan on a relatively regular basis. "My last conversation with him was, 'We need like 400,000 troops, not 4,000,'" Bob said. "They (the enemy) walk around in regular clothes with a machine gun over their shoulder and you can't fire unless fired upon."

He added, "A lot more is hap-

pening there than most (people) know. It is being watered down tremendously from ... news reporting on what's going on with soldiers over there."

Due to his remote location, Troy could not be reached via e-mail for comment by press time.

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School board candidates speak out

The Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library will be hosting a candidates forum for the May 5 school board election.

The Forum will be held 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28 in community room B at

the library. Mona Bergeon will moderate the event which is open to the public.

The four candidates vying for a spot on the Board are incumbents Dean Spenceley and Christine

Michaud and newcomers Kevin Pearsall and Mike Pearsall.

The forum is intended to assist residents in making an educated decision before heading to the voting booth.

Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates.

For more information about this or other events at the library, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 547-2651.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Alano groundbreaking

Crews wasted no time in breaking ground on the site of the new Alano Club building located at 106 Mason St. in Charlevoix. City council approved unanimously the club's plan to erect a new building in the general footprint of their old building which was demolished nearly a year ago. The machine seen here is digging a hole which will soon become a basement for the 36-foot by 28-foot building.

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Keep your brown fat active

Brown fat sounds more like something that has been left in the refrigerator too long that like an important aspect of human health.

EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

But, much as it must seem that we know nearly everything about how humans work, new things are being discovered constantly. Brown fat is one of those new things. The fat we most worry about seems to just sit there or even accumulate over time. Most of us carry pounds of it, meant as a reserve of portable

food in case times get tough and we have to live for at time without daily eating. Fat has the highest energy for the lowest weight of any of our normal food, whether it is what we are eating or what we have stored away in those unsightly bulges for an uncertain future. Brown fat, by contrast is extremely active and is part of the reason we are able to adapt to cold climates, even though our evolutionary history is certainly in the tropics.

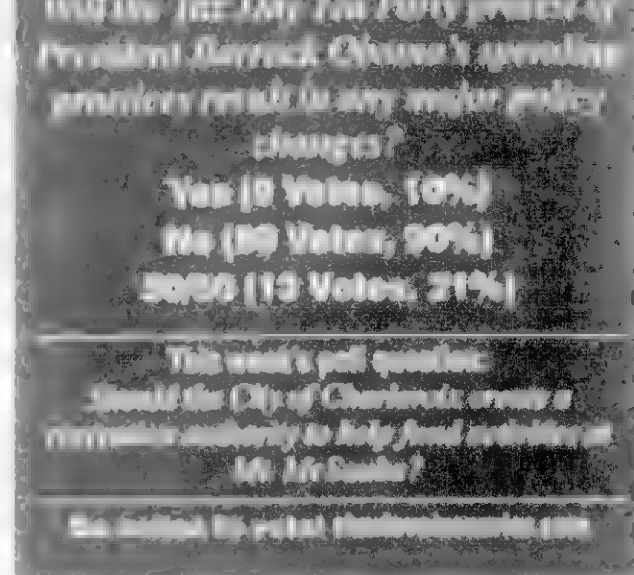
When we are exposed to cold temperatures, whatever brown fat we have speeds up our metabolism and help maintain our nice warm body temperature. Babies have considerable brown fat, as do all small mammals, especially bats. For a long time, until very recently, it was thought that our baby brown fat disappeared as

we grew up, but recent research shows that human adults often retain some small amount of brown fat. The amount is different from one adult to another, and may help explain why some of us have persistent weight problems while others seem to eat and stay slim. How could brown fat help us maintain appropriate weight? Exposure to cold seems to be one way. Researchers have even joked about opening cold spas for weight control.

Sitting in a cold room apparently encourages any brown fat we have to begin using up calories at a great rate, and weight loss follows. It need not be chillingly cold. Any temperature below 60 degrees will stimulate. Providing another reason

to keep the thermostat low in winter, even more personally important that reducing energy costs. Why do small animals, including human infants have abundant brown fat to help keep them warm? Any small animal has to have a high metabolic rate just to maintain its body temperature. Hibernating bats hang out in cold caves, but need to keep up some body temperature all winter.

Active brown fat is the answer. Finally, something much like brown fat even operates in the plant kingdom. It provides for the early blooming of the Eastern Skunk Cabbage, which can melt its way through late snows in March and is currently in full bloom. Those flowers have a heat-



producing metabolism that is as rapid as that of the smallest, coldest bat. It seems to be fueled by burning fat in large amounts.

So, cherish your small amount of adult brown fat. Eat all the chocolate you want, but keep that brown fat active.

Shingy things not always worth the effort

Last Wednesday evening, on that precious first day of warming where you can smell the earth waking up, I heard the loons.

FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

There is a nesting pair that returns to Nowland Lake each year, and for those of us on Wickersham Road who are winter-weary it is the arrival of the loons, even more than the opening of Dairy Griffe, that confirms Spring's return. I heard the loons through the open window of my daughters' freshly painted bedroom,

where I stood giving thanks to God that there were people who would, for a price, spare me from the tedious, dirty work of painting. The redecorating project is my daughter's 10th birthday present, a makeover probably too long in coming. As much as I hate to paint, if she'd been counting on me to get it done the project might have been finished in time for high school graduation.

But now the flowered wallpaper with dusty rose trim is gone and the walls shine with bright blues and greens lifted from the pages of an L.L. Bean summer catalog. The colors of the new room make for a real eye popping experience, but the real eye-opener for me came on the afternoon we emptied her room in preparation for the painter. The volume of my daughters' "collections" should be measured in dump truck loads

In that kid's economy every little trinket is a treasure. The plastic this-or-that that looks like junk to me is to her a cherished heirloom, and so must be kept forever. My daughter has so much of this stuff that for Christmas this year she asked to receive, as her main gift, containers. My old Norwood neighbor, Dick Bartosik, used to refer to too much stuff in one spot as "two tons of fertilizer in a one ton truck."

Farmer that he was, Dick used language that was, shall we say, a little more earthy, but his vision still captured the condition of my daughter's room. There was just too much stuff, and a great deal of it had much in common with fertilizer. I considered how this "two tons of fertilizer" principle applied to my own life, and quickly admitted that in my

barn, office, and garage I had too much stuff. A great deal of it was just that: stuff. Stuff I had accumulated and acquired, and stuff I no longer used or needed. Suffice it to say, I haven't thrown much away over the years. My mind went to first John and his caution against loving the world and the things of the world. The world system uses an economic currency that does transactions in cash but actually trades in power, prestige and position. The things John cautions about, the stuff we accumulate, are the means of keeping score. Whoever dies with the most stuff wins. John goes on to tell us that it is our lusts we have to manage, and asserts there are three forms of lust against which we must guard our hearts and

mind. First, there is the lust of the eye, through which we desire what we see. Many Americans don't distinguish well between needs and wants, so there are huge numbers of households in the hole because we see stuff, we want stuff, and we buy stuff. Indeed, the engine of our economy has long been the credo *veni, vidi, vici* - I came, I saw, I charged it. Next is the lust of the flesh, through which we seek after those things that give us pleasure. Buying stuff makes us feel good, so we treat ourselves. I read research lately that documents the deep satisfaction some women derive from buying shoes, which explains a lot of the problem on my wife's end of the closet. Third, John cautions on the lust of pride. Pride is why we pay more for a pair of jeans with the

popular label, and why we buy stuff to impress other people. The guy with the \$5000 Rolex doesn't just want to know what time it is. So I stood in my barn staring at my own pile of stuff, and I did a little mental exercise you may wish to try. Look at any item in the pile and try to remember what you probably paid for it, back when it was new and you just had to have it. Now, divide that by the approximate amount of your hourly pay. The answer represents the number of hours of your life you traded for that pile of stuff. The hours of your life, a finite quantity given to you by God, are all you have. They are just too precious to exchange for another ton of fertilizer. Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix. By appointment at (231) 675-4682.

OPINIONS yours & ours

Nature did it alone. Editor: Jordan River Watershed. Many words have been written both for and against creating deep water wells in Albe to dispose of leachate from Bay Harbor.

In reading the latest issue of "Trout," a publication of Trout Unlimited, I came across the following quote. This should put an end to the matter for anyone with any sense. From Harry Plunket Greene, "Where the Bright Waters Meet" (1936):

"Nature did it alone, as she always will if you will not try to go one better. The secret of this river was that its watershed was fed by springs as clear and clean as crystal. In its three miles run from the source it had no chance to pick up pollution. There were no mills to discharge their waste products into those pure waters. The spawning beds were spotless, the weed and gravel ventratable provision stores, and the only worry in the lives of its inhabitants was the man on the bank."

Thomas F. Conlan Charlevoix. Thank-you Easter Bunny BASES Teen Center would like to thank the anonymous donor who dropped off Easter baskets with candy and toys at our doorstep on Friday, April 10. Your kindness and generosity helped brighten the day of a dozen teenagers who thought they had outgrown the joy of receiving a gift. Scott Kelly

BASES Executive Director Vote for Spenceley Editor: To the registered voters of the Charlevoix School District. Even though being on the school board can be a thankless job, it has been my pleasure to help guide this school district for the last four years. Once again I am asking for your vote on May 5 to retain my seat on the Charlevoix Board of Education. In this year's election you have the opportunity to vote for four people to fill two seats. Quite honestly I believe we are all worthy and capable candidates.

My hat goes off to anyone that runs for this position and is willing to give freely of their time. There is so much to be learned as a school board member and always so much that needs to be done. I've been thrilled with all the things that have been accomplished even though sometimes I cringe at the time it takes to complete them. My experience on this board has taught me more about patience, commitment and compromise than I would really like to admit. I can tell you that myself, the rest of this board, the administration, our teachers and support staff are committed to the education of all of our children and it truly shows.

I sincerely wish all of us running could be elected but obviously that is not how it works. There can only be two seats filled and I truly would appreciate your vote for one of them. I will work hard to accomplish

plish the things we set out to do and continue working hard for all our children's education and most of all stay focused on the positive things that the Charlevoix students work so hard to be recognized for.

I've been told more than once by community members in other districts that if they could emulate any school in northern Michigan it would be Charlevoix. That says a lot about all the community members that give of their time in whatever way to make Charlevoix schools one of the best in Michigan.

In closing I would like to say: When you vote on May 5, know that, if you vote for me, you are voting for a community member who wants nothing but the best for our kids. Dean Spenceley, Charlevoix. Do your part. Fulfill. "Don't underestimate the power of people who join together they can accomplish amazing things." -President Barack Obama

President Obama has raised the challenge for every citizen to take individual responsibility to make our communities the best they can be. For the past 32 years, vol-

unteers at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRC) have been doing just that. The WRC was originally founded in 1977 by a group of community activists and today continues to rely on the time and energy of volunteers to fulfill the agency's mission of supporting women and families in northern Michigan.

National Volunteer Week, April 19-25, provides the ideal opportunity to honor the many achievements of the WRC volunteer team. Over 3,070 hours of service were donated to the WRC in the past year through the dedication and commitment of our volunteers.

The volunteer staff serve on the Board of Directors, support families at the Safe Home, ring up sales at the Gold Mine Resale Shops, assist with agency mailings, answer the 24-hour crisis phone line, style hair at the Safe Home, do facility upkeep and maintenance, and other important tasks.

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changing services to over 530 victims of domestic abuse in our community with 2,365 nights of housing provided to 177 women and children at the Safe Home. These vital services could not be provided without the support

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Directoress served two decades

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

She's been a wife, mother artist and, up until early June, she will have been a teacher for 20 years.

Children's House Directoress Barbara Godwin-Chulick has toiled with the decision of whether to retire from her post for much of the last year.

"I have been praying about it especially for much of the last school year and I know I've got great, great people working with me and my hesitation has been waiting to find just the right fit," she said. "It takes a really special person to do this kind of work and I feel like we have that in

Molly Arnold."

Arnold, 27, will take over as directoress when Godwin-Chulick, 59, retires on the last day of school, June 5.

"She (Molly) is just wonderful with the kids, and they really love her. It's really a good fit."

Godwin-Chulick followed her children through the school and after they moved on to elementary school, she began as a teacher.

"Gradually I took more responsibilities on and became more involved," she said. "Opportunities opened up ... and I took the training and kind of re-directed my life from my pottery studio where I'd been for 20 years."

Godwin-Chulick has served as directoress of the school, which serves children from ages 2 to 6-and-a-half through the Montessori Method, for nearly eight years.

"It's my heart," she said. "I give my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to them (families) for them entrusting their children into my care."

Godwin-Chulick added, "It has been an honor, an absolute honor, to serve these children and these families."

Through the years, Godwin-Chulick has taught and overseen the education of hundreds of youngsters.

"There are so many things

that really stand out," she said. "Those teachable moments when they just get it and they say, 'I can do it myself!'"

Godwin-Chulick added, "Whether it's zipping a zipper or peeling an egg, there are just little moments that we celebrate that love of learning."

With time to devote back to her original passion, Godwin-Chulick said she will reinvest her love of pottery and will even spend more time helping the Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

"I also want to be able to do more volunteer work in the community," she said. "I go to Christ Episcopal Church and would like to have more time to get involved there."

She added, "It's a new beginning. I'm on a big learning curve right now — just like the kids that come into here, I'm looking forward to anything that comes up."

An open house and celebration of Godwin-Chulick's career will occur in the early afternoon of Sunday, May 17, at 8700 Mercer Road, Charlevoix.

The start time is currently ten



COURTESY PHOTO
Barbara Godwin-Chulick is seen here with former student Joshua Robinson in front of the Charlevoix Children's House where she has been working for nearly 20 years and has been acting directoress for the last eight years. Godwin-Chulick will retire later this June.

tative, but anyone interested may call 547-5599 for more information.

The public is welcome to attend.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people

Jacklyn Heckendorn, a 2005 graduate of Charlevoix High School, has received the Marian A. Dammon Scholarship from Michigan State University's College of Education.

She was presented with the honor during the college's annual Awards Reception on April 3 at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing.

Heckendorn is majoring in English and minoring in psychology, secondary education, at MSU. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an education honor society, and the National council of Teachers of English. She has been a camp counselor and tutored in Lansing area schools.

She anticipates completing her teaching internship during 2009-2010 and teaching in a classroom of her own.

Her parents are Kirk and Kathy Heckendorn.

What's happening at the Library this week?

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Quiz Bowl teams getting ready for State Championship

Teams from four schools competed in the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Quiz Bowl Invitational at Charlevoix High School.

The schools were selected based on their overall performance during the regular season of the Char-Em ISD Quiz Bowl League.

The four top finishing schools in the Class C and Class D divisions faced off in two semifinal matches to determine which two teams would compete for the championship, the culminating event of the 2008-2009 season.

The high schools competing were East Jordan, Northwest Academy, Charlevoix, and Concord Academy-Petoskey.

Beaver Island had qualified but was unable to attend.

In the first semifinal Northwest Academy defeated East Jordan in the closest match of the night.

After the first half Northwest was ahead 55 to 35.

After the first lightning round East Jordan moved

ahead 95 to 65. After the final lightning round Northwest Academy managed to tie the score at 105 to 105.

To decide the contest the tiebreaker question was as follows: Sites in and around this city include Ebenezer Baptist Church, Fort McPherson, the birthplace of Margaret Mitchell, and the Carter Presidential Center. Located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, name this largest city and capital of Georgia.

Northwest Academy buzzed in first and won the game with the correct answer of Atlanta, Georgia.

Charlevoix High School narrowly defeated Concord Academy of Petoskey 135 to 115 to earn a spot in the championship round.

This game was tied 55 to 55 at the half.

Charlevoix took a 115 to 55 lead after the first lightning round but just managed to hold on a surging Concord Academy team to win 135 to 115.

For the final game Charlevoix built an almost

insurmountable lead in the first half over Northwest Academy with a score of 135 to 10.

Northwest Academy rallied somewhat during the first lightning round and headed into the final lightning round trailing 175 to 60.

Charlevoix then iced the championship by nearly sweeping the round with their topic of Elections and Electioneering. Final score Charlevoix 245, Northwest 60.

Schools in the Char-Em service area interested in joining quiz bowl may call Barry Cole at 547-9947.

Charlevoix is coached by Pete Scholten, Northwest

Academy by Kurt Grangood and Cindy Romero, East Jordan by Jennifer Richardson, and Concord Academy by Maggie Rumpca. All four teams qualified during the regular league season for the Quiz Bowl State Championships hosted by the Michigan State University Honors College April 24 and 25. Beaver Island and Petoskey are also heading to the State Championship.

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COURTESY PHOTO
Four generations of Martins gathered around Thanksgiving, 2008 in Charlevoix. Pictured are (front, from left) Ethan Thomas Martin, his great-grandmother Shirley Greene and (back, from left) Greene's grandson Thomas J. Martin II and her son Thomas J. Martin. Bring your generations pictures down to 112 Mason St., Charlevoix or e-mail them to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Please be sure to include names, date the picture was taken, place the picture was taken and any other pertinent information you would like included.

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OBITUARIES

Mabel V. Barnes: June 22, 1921-April 18, 2009

Mabel V. Barnes, 87, of Charlevoix, and formerly of Anderson, Ind., died Saturday, April 18, 2009, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

She was born June 22, 1921, in Broken Bow, Neb., the daughter of Carl and Antonia (Blaschke) Squier, and move to Indiana as a young girl.

On Dec. 31, 1945 she married Gene Barnes in Anderson, and he preceded her in death on December 25, 1982.

Mabel worked for General Motors in Anderson, Ind. for over 40 years retiring in 1983.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Anderson, and attended the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix.

Mabel is survived by her daughters, Cheryl Barnes Neff of Winter Park, Fla., and Pat (Dan) Ulrich of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Christopher Neff, Elizabeth Ulrich and Adam Ulrich. She was preceded in death by three brothers, and two sisters.

A memorial service will be held at her former residence SunnyBank Retirement Community.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church in Anderson or to the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is serving the family.

DEATH NOTICE

Marguerite "Millie" Potter

Marguerite "Millie" Potter, 86, of Charlevoix, died April 16, 2009, at Grandvue in East Jordan. Her friend and guardian, Linda Putman, was with her when she passed away. Interment at Brookside Cemetery. No services planned. Arrangements by Winchester Funeral Home.



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Keep up on Captain Gary Dawson's sailing trip

Keep up on Captain Gary Dawson's sailing trip around the world in his own words.

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Like is the wind increasing or changing direction and do we have to change the sails. If something has to be done that requires you to go on deck you need to wake up your back up.

That is the person that comes after you.

Read more about Dawson's trip at www.charlevoixcourier.com.

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Wellness Wednesdays at Charlevoix Area Hospital

At Charlevoix Area Hospital's Wellness Wednesdays, anyone interested can get a health screening which includes cholesterol and blood glucose level tests, a body mass index (BMI) score, a blood pressure reading, a blood pressure log and pedometer all for \$12.

The Wellness Wednesdays event is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., May 6, and then every first Wednesday of each month as long as there is interest.

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'Starlight' supports big dreams

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Can you imagine never having visited a theme park, gone camping or seen a Detroit Tigers baseball game?

For many with Downes Syndrome, the only hope of even the most routine events is through programs like those offered by the Bergmann Center which has been serving those in need since 1965.

"We ask each person if they would like to go on a summer trip and, no matter how big or small, we help support (it)," said Bergmann Center Community Relations Coordinator Kim Brock. "Some go

to Mackinaw Island, baseball games, Frankenmuth, overnight shopping trips — It's huge to them."

She added, "We've already started talking about the summer trip for months and it's in their memory that they get to go somewhere special."

Bergmann Center serves nearly 55 people from Emmet, Charlevoix and Antrim counties with employment and socialization opportunities in addition to a chance for center attendees to give back to their respective communities via volunteer efforts and charitable work.

Norene Jolliffe has two sons

who attend Bergmann Center.

"Number one: it's a social life; an opportunity for them to meet other people," she said.

"And, the thing I think I like the best about it is it's so community based. The guys are in and out of the community a lot during the week doing recycling, they deliver meals on wheels... they go bowling, they go out for lunch."

Jolliffe added, "It's great for them."

Bergmann Center's main fundraising event for the summer trips is the Starlight Dinner and Live Auction — now in its seventh year.

"The money from that (Star

light event) goes to help a lot of those community kinds of things," Jolliffe said.

She went on to say it is important to support the event because the Bergmann Center is so important to the people it serves.

"The staff are really great," Jolliffe said. "They are really in tune to the people who are at the Bergmann Center."

She added, "They see them as people vs. problems."

Browsing for auction items begins at 12:30 p.m., with a silent auction and raffle and live music.

Dinner begins at 1:30 p.m. and the auction begins at 2:30 p.m. on May 3 at the Emmet County Community Building at the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fairgrounds.

Items up for bid include women's day out, cakes and pies, home decorations, hand-crafted purses and bags, golf passes, trips to Mackinac Island and Beaver Island and more.

To buy your tickets and/or make a donation, call 547-2979, extension 10 or 11.

Tickets cost \$25 per person.



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Having a ball

Bergmann Center worker Robin Sitzema is seen here holding a Gazing Ball which will be sold at auction during the Bergmann Center's annual Starlight dinner and auction fundraiser. The ball was made in the Bergmann Center's workshop. Proceeds from the benefit will help pay for special trips for the Bergmann Center attendees.

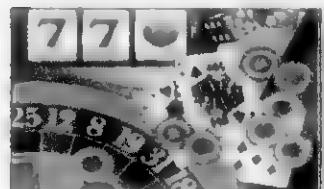
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Lost and found: 20 years in the making



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**BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR**

Kyle Sitzma didn't trek to Mordor with his precious, but he did return a gold ring with the initials "GRG" to its owner after 20 years.

Sitzma, an Ellsworth resident, found the ring, once owned by Gary R. Garn, at his parents' home back in the late 1980s.

"I found this ring in 1989 while I was out raking and I held onto it," Sitzma said. "My parents lived on Lake Street in Ellsworth and it turns out he (Garn) was a teacher there in Ellsworth who lived just down from my parents' house on the same street."

Sitzma said he tried to find the owner of the ring several years ago, but with no luck. "I tried again a couple

months ago when I called a Catholic church down state after I looked it up on the Internet," he said.

Sitzma said the personnel at Monroe Catholic Central, a school in the southeastern-most county in the state, were able to look up the graduation date on the ring—1976—and match the initials with the owner who now lives in Sault Ste. Marie.

Garn said he was absolutely astonished when he got the message his ring had been found.

"I had it since 1976. I was teaching in East Jordan and living in Ellsworth in '86 and '87 so that was the year I lost it," Garn said. "I really didn't know what had happened to the ring but sort of wrote it off after 20 years."

Garn and his wife Bonnie drove down from the Upper Peninsula to Ellsworth to claim the ring on St. Patrick's Day.

"It was in very good shape with the exception of a small ... amount of moisture that had gotten under the stone," Garn said. "It's pretty nice to have it back."

He added, "It's still a mystery how it migrated 150 yards or whatever down

the road."

Garn said he is grateful for the good deed.

"One thing I really admire about Kyle is he went through and took the pains to find me and return the ring," he said.

Garn subsequently gave Sitzma a \$10 reward for returning the 10 karat gold ring.

"I'm just glad I was able to return it," Sitzma said.



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While safety and careful handling top the list on the proper use of a firearm, the use of hearing protection is not far behind. The National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders says that 10 million Americans have already suffered irreversible hearing loss due to noise, and 30 million more are exposed to dangerous noise levels daily. This includes noise from firearms, which, when experienced at close range,

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Before we get to the possible pitfalls of hoarding cash, let's consider your fellow Americans' recent savings habits:

• How much? In the last quarter of 2008, the personal savings rate was 2.9 percent, the highest level since the third quarter of 2001, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

• Where? People are putting their money in what they consider safe vehicles. At the end of 2008, the ratio of money market fund assets and bank savings deposits to stocks — as measured

by the Wilshire 5000 Index, one of the broadest market indices designed to track the overall performance of the US stock market — was 95.4 percent, according to Ned Davis Research. (Keep in mind that the Wilshire 5000 index is unmanaged and not available for direct investment.) This ratio is the highest it's been since money market accounts were created in the early 1980s.

Of course, given the stock market decline, it's not surprising that so much money is going into these accounts, because people are looking, above all else, to preserve their principal. Consequently, as a nation, we are now sitting on a "mountain" of cash.

However, the trip up this mountain does not come free. While it's true that these vehicles may help preserve your principal, they may not provide you with returns that can keep up with inflation, which means that the more of these instruments you own, and the longer you own them, the greater the likelihood that you will lose purchasing power.

Furthermore, if you're putting most of your assets into cash, you're incurring "opportunity cost" — the chance to invest that money into vehicles that have the potential to provide the growth you need to help achieve your long-term goals, such as an enjoyable retirement.

So here's the situation: On the one hand, you have a tough economy and a stock market that has probably already saddled you with losses. On the other hand, you need to consider investing in stocks or other growth-oriented investments to help you reach your long-term goals. What's the solution? Balance. There's probably a place in your portfolio for short-term instruments whose chief benefit is helping to preserve your principal. But you may need to balance these holdings with investments that can potentially reward you with growth. The exact mix of assets depends on your risk tolerance, time horizon and individual goals.

In these days, you may need a leap of faith to invest some of your cash. But

history is on your side: Downturns have typically been followed by market rallies. Plus, we may eventually see cash seeking higher returns, and that should have a positive impact on the financial markets.

It may feel comforting to have a lot of cash on hand. But if you're planning for the years ahead, you should consider putting some of that cash to work.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by Benjamin Muladore, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones located at 702 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. He can be reached at 547-2166 or e-mail him at ben.muladore@edwardjones.com.

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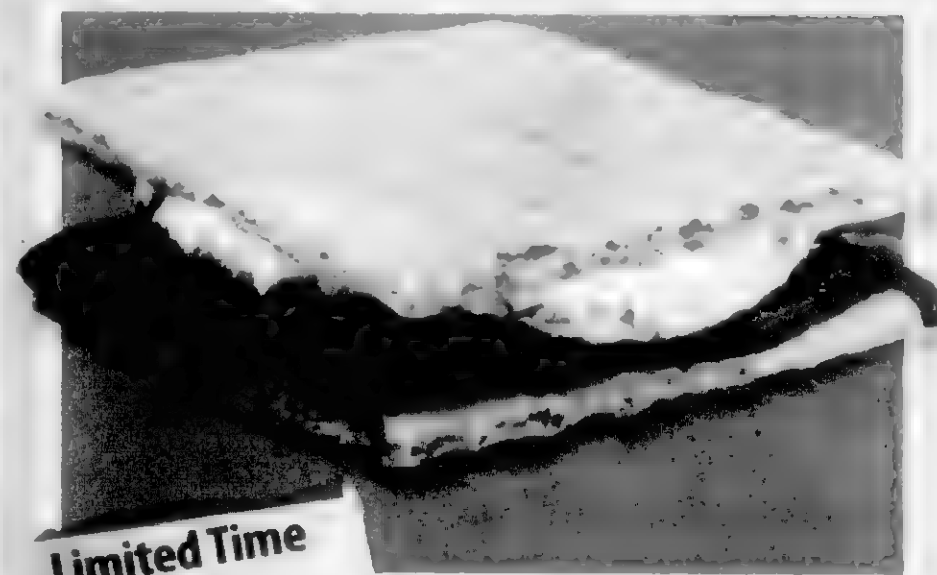
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This Pileated woodpecker was visiting our bird feeder on our deck this winter.



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That's My Photo participant Julie Christiansen snapped this picture of a snowboarder on March 7 at Mt. McSauba.



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CIRCLE OF STRENGTH FASHION SHOW



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Linde Hoffman models this pink outfit by J Phillipa during the Circle of Strength's annual fashion show and fundraiser.



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A few of the Circle of Strength fashion show models take a break before showing off their wares during the Saturday, April 18 event. Pictured are (left) Diane Ouderkirk in an outfit from Halfway to the Top of Charlevoix, Jennifer Archambault modeling a dress from Petoskey Bridal, and Kay Holley in a suit from Mary's of Boyne.



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Kyleigh Knoop (left) and Ivy Wells, both with Zonta women's group's Sight on Success program, served food and drinks during the Circle of Strength fashion show and fundraiser. Proceeds from the event will benefit cancer awareness and aid programs.



COURTESY PHOTO

Good eats, good cause

The United Methodist Church Women are hosting their annual spring buffet supper and bake sale from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday May 8 at United Methodist Church of Charlevoix, 104 State St. Among the dishes will be salads, veggies, meat, desserts and beverages at a cost of \$8 per adult, \$5 per 5- to 10-year-old and children younger than 5 eat for free. Proceeds from the event will benefit several projects that support local, national and international mission work. Here the Methodist ladies are seen taking a break from cooking.



COURTESY PHOTO

Kiwanians fight hunger

On April 4, five members of Charlevoix Kiwanis: Carolyn Navarre, Clark Goforth, Dave Garland, Gloria Barnes and Bob Rajewski went to West Branch to participate in a state-wide Kiwanis project to assemble food packets for Kids Against Hunger. Kids Against Hunger is a nonprofit organization with the mission to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and to feed starving children throughout the world. This is being achieved by getting volunteers involved and by setting up food packaging satellites in the USA and through partnerships with humanitarian organizations worldwide. Michigan Kiwanis sponsored 10 sites around the state on April 4, with the goal of packaging 500,000 packets of food. Each package provides six nutritionally-complete servings. This year, 75 percent of the packages were designated to stay in our local communities with the other 25 percent being available to be shipped to other countries.



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Angie Supernaw (left) and Sandy Gregory of Charlevoix are seen here enjoying the luncheon which preceded the Circle of Strength fashion show and fundraiser. The ladies said they attend the event each year that it has been held.

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SOFTBALL

Charlevoix 5-7, Harbor Springs 0-7

CHARLEVOIX — Sarah Potter and Hannah Hybl each singled and tripled to lead the Rayders in the opener Tuesday, April 14.

Hybl earned the victory, striking out five, walking two and allowing two hits. Potter drove in three runs.

Megan Mathews doubled and Sam Lechowicz singled for Harbor's hits. Steffy Wenz took the loss, allowing four hits while walking two and striking out seven.

The second game ended in a 7-7 tie because of darkness.

Nicole Paige and Mathews pitched for Harbor. They combined to allowed seven hits, strike out two and walk five.

Wenz had three hits, Paige singled, doubled and drove in five runs, and Mathews added two hits.

Kirsten Mielke and Hybl pitched for the Rayders and combined to surrender 10 hits, strike out nine, and walk four. Lauren Mielke singled and doubled for the Rayders and Ericka Faust had two hits.

Harbor is 0-3-1 overall and in the Lake Michigan Conference.

SOCCER

Charlevoix 8, Kalkaska 0

KALKASKA — Olivia Catt and Madison Way each had two goals and an assist April 16 as the Rayders continued their early season dominance of the Lake Michigan Conference.

The Rayders, ranked ninth in the Division IV state coaches poll, improved to 4-0 overall and in the league with their third mercy-rule victory

of the season. They have outscored their four opponents, 27-0.

Meridith Rich, Elisabeth Drost, Caroline Dupuis and Hallie Bills also scored, while Taylor Smith finished with two assists, and Bills and Drost added one apiece.

Tammy Potter earned the shutout with a solid defense in front of her, led by Hannah Doan, Marnie Greene, Rachel Boss and Rich.

Jane Balasz scored two goals and Addie Loper and Lynzie Gotshall added one apiece as the Charlevoix JV team improved to 1-1-1 with a 4-0 win over the Blazers. Lacy Greene picked up an assist, and Gotshall and Bekkah Posten split the game in goal for the Rayders.

GOLF

Charlevoix wins INDIAN RIVER — Wyatt Drost shot 40 Thursday, April 16 to lead Charlevoix to victory in a four-way non-league high school golf match at Indian River Golf Club.

The Rayders finished with a 164 team score, while Inland Lakes was second with 174. Harbor Light Christian shot 202 to place third, while Onaway, 215, was fourth.

Inland Lakes' Brent Vizina shot 36 to earn medalist honors.

Other Charlevoix scores: Gunner Whitley, 41; Thomas Rich, 41; Ty Jones, 42; Nick Brandais, 44; Nolan Ager, 46.

Other Inland Lakes scores: Brandon Vizina, 44; Zack Ginop, 46; Emily Jones, 48; Travis Bunker, 49; Josh St. Onge, 51.

Harbor Light scores: Daniel Klevorn, 45; Drew Dean,

49; Chris Simon, 51; Caleb Lambert, 57; Jon Duggan, 57; Tanner Mindel, 68.

Charlevoix defeated Harbor Light, 189-235, in a JV match. Ryan Wimmer shot 42 to lead the Rayders, while Beau Boss shot 45. Jordan Bemore shot 52 to lead Harbor Light, while Zach Somerville shot 60 for Inland Lakes.

TENNIS

Harbor Springs 8,

Charlevoix 0

HARBOR SPRINGS — Harbor Springs won every match Thursday, April 16 defeating Charlevoix in a Lake Michigan Conference match.

Singles results: 1-Emily Miller defeated Sam Sell, 6-0, 6-2; 2-Nicole Sheppard def. Amy Pelon, 6-2, 6-4; 3-Sarah Knoodle def. Jenna Way, 6-4, 6-2; 4-Anna Asbury def. Erika Smith, 6-4, 6-0.

Doubles results: 1-Shelby Flemming-Lilly Dart def. Kimber Wagner-Christina

Miller, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3; 2-Lauren Kopka-Kallie Hansen def. Rachel Gilmore-Julia Holdsworth, 6-3, 6-7 (7-2), 6-4; 3-Ashley Rautio-Elle Thompson def. Amanda Fritsch-Bailey Chamberlain, 6-2, 6-3; 4-Grace Carbeck-Maggie Kane def. Alyssa McCormack-Kelsey Way, 6-4, 6-3.

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EDITOR

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The 30-gallon plastic garbage bags, which will be available beginning the end of April, will cost \$2 each.

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Russell said he hopes to offer his customers a valuable service at a significant savings over his competitors.

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Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Pineridge Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 339, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale

Dated: April 22, 2009
For more information, please call: FC 248 593.1303
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Attorneys For Servicer
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ONGOING EVENTS:

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.amrcnm.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: Preventing disease transmission.

Hockey tryouts

Call the Traverse City North Stars Girls Travel Hockey team for registration and tryout information at (231) 218-0182 or visit www.tchockey.com.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Boots show

Sue and Russ Bolt, renown Charlevoix artists, are having an exhibit with Michigan artists Pat and Chip Denison, Madeline Kaczmarek and Jerry Berta at the Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey. Each artist has a distinctive style but all are working in the low fired clay medium to create delightful, fanciful and decorative sculptural objects for the home. The exhibit is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, now through April; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Call 347-4337 for more information.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fine Native Talking Drum

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses

on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome: do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix: Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at. Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group at 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month. Call 237-0580 or (231) 675-2912 for more information.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Museum winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated

to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years.

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@charemunitedway.org.

Char-Em United Way is planning to hold an informal meeting in early summer to gather United Way alumni, update them on activities and plans of the local United Way, and solicit their advice. Local United Way leaders are planning to develop a Loaned Executive program and would like to incorporate best practices of other communities.

Free tax

Preparation is still available from the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA). Volunteers have been trained to prepare and electronically file both federal and state returns which will include checking for any tax credits the customers may qualify for such as the Earned Income Credit, Child Care Credit, Property Tax Credit, and the Home Heating Credit. Low to moderate income families and individuals, seniors, persons with disabilities and those with limited-English proficiency will qualify. While waiting for their appointment, customers will be given the opportunity to complete a brief needs assessment to help NMCAA determine if there are other needs that the agency may assist with. To make an appointment for this free service, call (231) 347-9070 or (800) 443-5518.

The NMCAA office is located at 2202 Mitchell Park Drive #4 in Petoskey

United Way campaign

With only one month before it makes annual Community Investment Allocations, Char-Em United Way announces that it is nearing 90 percent of its campaign goal. The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge grant to United Way if it meets the campaign goal. Tax-deductible contributions to the United Way 2008-2009 Campaign can be mailed to P O Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770. Gifts can be made online by going to www.char-emunitdway.org and selecting "Give."

For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@charemunitedway.org.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

Reduce, Recycle, Reuse It" At Circle of the Arts Art objects formed from recycled materials, emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Dedicated to the philanthropic spirit of Barbara MacArthur.

APRIL 21 THROUGH MAY 1

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information anytime, call toll free (800) ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

APRIL 22

NLEA business class

The Northern Lakes Economic Alliance is offering a "How to start a business" class from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan. The class costs \$20 and registration is required by calling Sara at (231) 582-6482 or e-mail her at sara@northernlakes.net.

APRIL 23

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society invites everyone in the Charlevoix County community to celebrate cancer survivorship, remember loved ones lost and fight back against cancer at this year's Relay For Life event. Charlevoix County residents will kick off the 2009 annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 22 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

APRIL 23

Girl Scout cookies

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders at cookie booth sales which will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Kmart in Charlevoix from April 24 to May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsmists.org or call (866) 566-7434. Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each package to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps. Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore serves more than 20,000 girls with the support of nearly 4,500 adult volunteers in our 30 counties.

APRIL 23

Knights of Columbus 33rd Annual Cash Party

This annual fundraiser

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supports St. Mary School in Charlevoix. Enjoy food, entertainment, prizes and beverages beginning at 6 p.m., April 25 at Castle Farms. Tickets are two people for \$150. Prizes include \$10,000 in cash and more. Tickets can be purchased by sending your check addressed to Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 35, Charlevoix 49720 and your tickets will be mailed back to you. You need not be present to win and you can send two guests in your stead with purchase of tickets. Call 547-4046 (days) or 547-6600 (nights) for more information.

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newable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

• April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours - A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barrie. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barrie from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

• May 26 - The COOLFUEL Road trip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas. Great Family entertainment. This is a great adventure series with a crazy Australian named Shaun, his dog Sparky, and the Coolfuel Crew. They use Hot Rocks and Veggie Diesel to get them through California, play golf off a grass covered car and go bio-powered drag racing.

NORWOOD PARK CLEANUP

Beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, there will be a community-wide park cleanup in Norwood. All are welcome to help.

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Mountain the Charlevoix County Republicans and guests will gather for their annual Lincoln Day Dinner.

MAY 9

ATV course

An ATV course is being held for 12 year olds up to adults from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., May 9 at the Boyne Falls Fire Department Station.

Register for this class by visiting www.charlevoixcounty.org; go to the sheriff's link; fill out class application; and forward to the Charlevoix Sheriff's Office.

MAY 11

NLEA luncheon

NLEA luncheon is from noon to 1:30 p.m., May 11 in the Matterhorn Room in Civic Center Boyne Mountain Resort, Boyne Falls. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$200 per reserved table of eight. Call (231) 582-6482 for more information.

MAY 14

The American Red Cross Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from noon to 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 14 at the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church on the corner of US 31 North and Meech Street. Call (800) 448-3543 for an appointment or drop in. Bring your ARC donor card or government photo I.D.

Swirl at CTAC

Meet new people, educate your palate and live up your Thursday evenings with Flavors of Portugal. Swirl mixes wine, music and art in Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m.; refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when available.

Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

MAY 16

Literary Delights

Zonia Club hosts their annual Michigan Women Authors Luncheon. Proceeds for SOS community girls enrichment program. This year's

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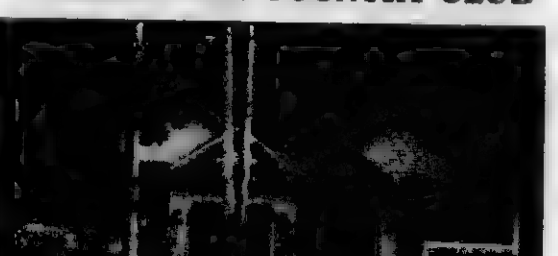
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New emissions restrictions
for cement manufacturersMARC SINGER
NEWS-REVIEW WRITER

The Environmental Protection Agency recently proposed to amend its national emissions standards for Portland cement manufacturing to reduce emissions of mercury, total hydrocarbons, hydrochloric acid and particulate matter from both new and existing cement kilns.

The proposed amendments would set numerical emission limits for cement kilns that are considered "major" and "area" sources of air toxics emissions.

"Portland cement kilns emit about seven tons of mercury a year, making the industry the fourth largest emitter of mercury in the U.S.," said Catherine C. Milbourn, senior press officer for the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Environmental Protection Agency issued air toxics standards for Portland cement manufacturing in 1999. Air toxics,

also known as hazardous air pollutants, are known, or suspected to, cause cancer and other serious health problems.

Milbourn said by sharply reducing mercury and other pollutants, the new standards will protect women of child bearing age and young children, as well as save a thousand lives every year.

"We will work with industry to encourage new, green, technologies and we support innovative solutions that lead to green jobs and a green economy as we join together to improve the quality of our nation's air," she said.

"We've been keeping an eye on these restrictions," said Courtney Schmidt, environmental manager for St. Mary's Cement Group in Charlevoix. "As a company, we have made some moves in that arena already

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

St. Mary Art Show

If the youngster on the right bears a striking resemblance to the piece of art on the left, it is because second-grader Hannah Solomon created this self-portrait in pastel for the 4th Annual St. Mary Art Show.

War of rhetoric and numbers continues
Exploring the dollars and cents of educator's salaries and benefitsBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

More than 145 days without settlement, Charlevoix Public Schools teachers are holding out for what they feel is a fair contract.

School administration officials say Charlevoix teachers are among the best compensated educators, and they are merely looking to cut costs to prepare for grim financial times. *Charlevoix Courier* is taking a closer look at the real facts and figures surrounding this ongoing controversy.

"I think they are equitably paid," said Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik. "If you look at the numbers of local districts, they are very close."

When asked what level of pay and benefits would be considered fair, Charlevoix High School government teacher, and lead union negotiator for the Charlevoix Education Association, Annemarie Conway declined to comment in detail. "Though these are good ques-

tions, this is not what we're about," she said via e-mail. "We have caring and qualified staff in each building that is proud to serve our community, especially our kids."

•THE PAY: 2007-2008 numbers have been used because the teachers maintain their previous contract until a new contract has been settled upon.

At lowest and highest salaries, respectively, of \$35,428 and \$69,868, Charlevoix teachers earn less than their local counterparts.

East Jordan teachers earn \$36,938 to \$70,921; Boyne City — \$37,810 to \$70,327; Harbor Springs — \$39,634.98 to \$74,025.15; and Petoskey — \$37,287 to \$72,991.

According to www.city-data.com, estimated median income in 2007 in Charlevoix was \$37,112, compare to the state-wide average of \$47,950.

If Charlevoix teachers would have accepted the 2 percent raise and switch to a compar-

See SALARY, page 9

Warner walks
speeding ticket found invalid

Elena Michelle Warner, the Elkworth woman who claimed police mistreatment during a Feb. 1 traffic stop in Charlevoix, was found "not responsible" for a speeding ticket issued that day.

During the April 21 proceedings, Charlevoix's 90th District Judge Richard May said he had to dismiss the ticket because the radar gun used was not properly tested.

"The radar gun is required to be tested in the same manner at the end of the shift as at the beginning," May said in citing *People vs. Ferency* (133 MICH APP 526 - 1984) wherein a Michigan Court of Appeals panel

ruled seven guidelines must be met for readings from radar guns to be admissible in court.

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema argued Charlevoix City Police Officer James Schlappi's radar gun—used to determine the speed of motor vehicles—was properly tested at the beginning of his shift and therefore its reading should be admissible.

Schlappi admitted in open court that he, for no apparent reason, failed to test the radar gun at the end of his shift.

During the hearing Warner re-
called her previous statement to

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According to the Michigan State Police's Web site, the following guidelines must be met for a reading from a radar gun to be admissible in court:

- The officer operating the device has adequate training and experience in its operation.
- The radar device was in proper working condition and properly installed in the patrol vehicle at the time of the issuance of the citation.
- The radar device was used in an area where road conditions are such that there is a minimum possibility of distortion.
- The input speed of the patrol vehicle was verified. This also means that the speedometer of the patrol vehicle was independently calibrated.
- The speedometer (radar) is retested at the end of the shift in the same manner that it was tested prior to the shift and that the speedometer (radar) be serviced by the manufacturer or other professional as recommended.
- The radar operator is able to establish that the target vehicle was within the operational area of the beam at the time the reading was displayed.
- The particular unit has been certified for use by an agency with some demonstrable expertise in the area.

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BIRTHS

Jocelyn Jay Joann Cebulski weighing 5 pounds, 11 ounces was born April 7, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Gene Cebulski and Rebecca Murray of Ellsworth. Her grandparents are Cindy Cebulski of Charlevoix, Gene Cebulski Sr. from Niceville, Fla., and Bill and Joy Murray of East Jordan. Her great-grandparents are Harold and Ormeta Goebel and Howard and Alice Murray all from East Jordan and Betty Groesser of Ellsworth.

Hayden Michael Byrd weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces was born April 11, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Randi Scott and Mike Byrd of Boyne City. His grandparents are John and Debra Hall, Alice McMahn, all of Boyne City, Kenneth Byrd of Taylor and Mike Scott of Fairbanks, Alaska. His great-grandparents are Jeanette Byrd of Taylor and Bill and Sally Scott of East Jordan.

Clifton Kelly Conklin III weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces was born April 17, to Stephanie Gullings and Clifton Conklin II. His siblings are Hannah and Serenity Gullings, and November Conklin.

Lyle Anthony Kleiber II weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces was born April 17, 2009 to Lyle and Mario Kleiber of Charlevoix. His siblings are Casandra, Emma, Paxton, Hanna, Ella, Jessica, Shantel, Austin and Kendra. His grandparents are Merle Kleiber of Charlevoix and Mike and Jee Hough of Craig, Colo. His great-grandparent is Johanna Hattie Moorehead of Charlevoix.

Koby William Manross weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce was born April 17, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Mike and Danielle Manross of East Jordan. His grandparents are Beth and Tony Kneble and Bob Warren, all of East Jordan, William and Tammy Manross of Boyne City.

Ivan William Mossall weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces was born April 17, to April Morse and Richard Mossall of Mancelona. His siblings are Charles, Alexis, Austin, Zachary and Brandon. His grandparents are Richard and Sharon Mossall of Mancelona and Gary and Debbie Marvin of Kalkaska. His great-grandparent is Donna Cryderman of Mancelona.

Clijah James Vadnais weighing 9 pounds 13 ounces was born April 21, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Greg and Christie Vadnais of Boyne City. His sibling is Mason Gregory Vadnais. His grandparents are Greg and Leanne Vadnais of Gaylord and Joe and Linda Colemere of San Antonio, Texas. His great-grandparents are Lonnie and Gerry Omer of Brimley, and Mary Paschall of San Antonio, Texas.

DISTRICT COURT
The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Rogelio Rio Dekinderen, 17, Orion Township. Minor in possession of alcohol. Pay \$250 in fines and costs; serve 30 days of community service work.

Andrea Renee Geyer, 18, Oxford. Minor in possession of alcohol. \$250 in fines and costs; serve 30 days of community service work.

Trevor Brian Olson, 19, Petoskey. Minor in possession of alcohol. \$250 in fines and costs; serve 30 days of community service work.

Lacey Marie Becraft, 19, Petoskey. Motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$365 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Cody Adam Crain, 22, Charlevoix. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; no contact with victim.

Joshua Lee Murray, 20, East Jordan. Receiving and concealing stolen property valued under \$200. Credit for one day in jail; to serve two days in jail; \$406.50 in fines and costs.

Trevor Allen Fortune, 18, Boyne City. Contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Credit for one day in jail; to serve three days in jail; 76 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; no contact with victim.

Anthony John Smith, 30, Boyne City. Domestic violence, first offense. Credit for 22 days in jail; to serve 38 days in jail; to serve 24 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; no contact with victim.

Daniel Eugene Moore, 23, Vanderbilt. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$550 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Jeffrey Craig Tenney, 37, Ludington. Insufficient funds for checks written, less than \$100. Pay \$500 in fines and costs.

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Wynkoop refuses plea deal

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Former Norwood Supervisor Wayne Wynkoop's attorney said his client is innocent of violating the public trust during April 21 proceedings in Charlevoix's 90th District Court.

Special prosecutor Michael McNamara offered Wynkoop a plea deal which called for \$240.16 in restitution and an apology for allegedly violating a law which forces public servants to disclose financial interest in a contract before the body they serve.

"I have discussed the people's offer with my client: it is rejected," said Wynkoop's attorney Robert Kaufman. "If the people wish to dismiss the complaint, we'd be more than willing to accept that."

McNamara countered by saying, "We need an acknowledgment of wrong here."

In March, 2007, Wynkoop bid to sell gravel to the Charlevoix County Road Commission contingent upon his receiving a special use permit to operate his mine.

On May 21, 2007, Wynkoop recused himself from voting on a measure to approve roadwork on Lakeshore Road in Norwood Township citing a possible conflict of interest on the gravel.

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Multiple winners of island's 'citizen' award

ELAINE WEST

A large crowd attended this year's Beaver Island Citizen of the Year banquet on April 25 at the Shamrock on Beaver Island.

The Chamber Board selected recipients based on over 30 letters of nomination sent in from community members.

Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve West introduced guest speaker Duanna Stampfer of "Promote Michigan," who discussed the many ways to utilize online programs to market businesses and services.

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School must have millage to operate

EDITORIAL

Homestead, non-homestead, for some, the myriad millage proposals can seem confusing and even maddening at times.

But, according to Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik, the 18-mil non-homestead property tax proposal for Charlevoix Public Schools is as simple as A-B-C.

A — This is not a new tax. It is merely a renewal of an existing tax.

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	Hi	Lo	Rain
Apr. 21	44	36	25
Apr. 22	46	35	04
Apr. 23	38	31	
Apr. 24	54	35	tr
Apr. 25	79	40	04
Apr. 26	42	37	33
Apr. 27	62	40	15

B — This tax is not levied on owners of a single home; the millage only applies to second homes, rental properties, farms and businesses.

C — Without voter approval on May 5, Charlevoix Public Schools will not be able to open their doors to teachers and students.

"This is 75 percent of our funding," Janik said. "I think the key point is the state would not pick up the difference if this does not pass."

He added, "This is equal to about \$7.7 million. It would be devastating for us."

According to Janik, when state lawmakers implemented Proposal

A, a move that shifted most of the financing of education from property taxes to the increased state sales tax, they felt it was important to retain a local voice in the funding system. This local voice took

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Mattress flippers unite



A LOOK AT LIFE

Cayle Gennett

I mean that "rest" part sincerely because it's a new day at the Gennett residence. We guarantee you'll be sleeping in comfort if staying at our home is on your summer agenda. I am certain all of my readers are mattress flippers. April is designated as flip your mattress month—No need

to send me a card this holiday, so save your money.

Maybe you are a smart buyer and purchased one that doesn't require this maneuver. Kudos to you.

I confess I am not a habitual mattress mover, although I do flip them at least as often as I change the batteries in my smoke alarm.

I think that's twice a year.

If you were like me, and in the past sought a deal by purchasing a mattress from an unmarked 18-wheeler or a discontinued box store outlet, you better read on.

To ensure comfort, a good night's sleep and fewer dust mites here are some helpful things worth noting.

Leaving your bed unmade each morning for at least 20 minutes airs out the mattress and the bedding.

My husband is going to love that one.

When you change the sheets, do a quick vacuum over the top of the mattress to keep it fresh from those bugs you see on the Discovery Channel.

Also leave it unmade for a few hours after taking off all the sheets and bedding while they are getting washed.

I was inspired to do this major spring cleaning after our grandsons stayed with us last week.

Unknown to all of us, the kids were allergic to our long haired cat.

When the kids kept waking up with coughing and runny noses, I decided to camp out in their room on one of the extra twin beds.

About three in the morning I realized that maybe part of my own sleeplessness was just trying to get comfortable.

Not able to sleep, I recalled that I purchased my torture rack back in 1989.

Fast forward to a new week and we now have three new beds from a reputable store and put them on a rotation flip and turn over your mattress cycle.

The cat is staying on her best behavior as she knows instinctively she may get her first crew cut in eight years and she is lucky to still live out her existence in our home.

If you can't afford a new mattress purchase a mattress topper. This helps create a little more support and will hold you over until you can purchase one.

There are a variety of mattresses out there and it's a very personal choice.

Just be certain to read the directions on the tag explaining how often and if you should join the mattress flip club.

Just for the record, I was not recently hired to sell mattresses in my retirement years. Thank goodness the twins

WEEKLY POLL

Should the City of Charlevoix create a recreation authority to help fund activities at Mt. McSaub?

Yes (34 Votes, 57%)
No (18 Votes, 43%)

This week's poll question:
Who needs to concede in the ongoing contract negotiations between the Charlevoix Public Schools administration officials and the teachers' union?

Administration, Teachers or Both must compromise

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stayed with us and that there is a month to celebrate our joining this club.

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fortable than a hostel.

We welcome your visit and your good night's sleep on a mattress that has seen more flips than an Aunt Jemima pancake.

"Who's going to fight for the kids?"



THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

Those are the words of the gruff, but lovable, Ike Boss the City of Charlevoix's recreation director. He isn't in it for the fame, and he surely cannot be in it for the money. So, when Boss comes up with an idea he thinks will benefit all the area's children, we have listen close.

Now less than a year after drumming up enough support to nearly pay off the new ski hill groomer at Mt. McSaub, Boss is hoping to garner enough support from local city and township officials to consider the creation of a recreation authority.

The premise is simple: ask local taxpayers to each pitch in a few dollars a year so local kids—no matter how rich or poor—can ski, snowboard and skate their way through the winter.

Right now the whole idea is just that, an idea.

The city council isn't trying to ram it down anyone's throat, and Boss has made it very clear that he is merely seeking input to see if there is enough interest to take the idea any further.

There are three things about this idea that we really like.

The first is that Boss wants an exploratory committee with equal representation from all the prospective parties: Charlevoix City, and the townships of Marion, Charlevoix and Hayes.

The second thing we're pleased to see is that Boss' idea isn't riddled with greed. He'd like to see a two-tenths of a mil levied to generate

approximately \$139,000 a year—we're talking \$10 for every \$100,000 your home is worth. If you own a million dollar house, you'd pay \$100 a year.

The third, and possibly most important, thing is that this will open safe, healthy activities up to everyone who lives in the proposed recreation authority area—many of whom are kids whose families simply cannot afford to pay for ski and skate rentals or usage fees.

After reading all this you may be saying, "Another tax?"

Hey, we get the concerns. But, with all the taxes which go to projects we don't care about, it sure would be nice to help fund something which goes 100 percent to helping a local cause.

Let's help Ike fight for the kids.

For more information or to voice your opinion, call 547-3253. Ike would love to hear from you.

Panama or bust

Keep up on Captain Gary Dawson's sailing trip around the world in his own words.

Each Sunday, Dawson gives an update on his three to five-year trip on the high seas.

Ah yes the trip from Key Largo to Panama, well there's a story.

You remember it was April the 9 and we were leaving Key Largo for Panama, a seven-day trip. The autopilot started acting up so we stopped at Stock Island in the Keys to fix it.

We then left Stock Island on Easter Sunday for Panama with maybe a stop in Belize.

Well, we were almost all the way around the west coast of Cuba when we ran into some heavy weather: 25-knot winds and 10-foot seas.

So, we put into Cuba

We did not check in because there is nothing on the west coast of Cuba save for a light house. We just dropped anchor in a bay.

While we were there, we



COURTESY PHOTO

This picture, taken by Captain Gary Dawson on the morning of April 18, shows what Dawson referred to as a pirate ship.

OPINIONS yours & ours

LETTERS to the editor

OBSERVE WITH REVERENCE

Editor: The true meaning of Memorial Day is all but forgotten.

Memorial Day is not Flag Day, the Fourth of July, Armed Forces Day or Veterans Day.

It's a day to remember the war dead and you don't do that with parades, picnics, pompous speeches, brass bands or hype for the current war.

"Celebration" and "Memorial" are not synonyms and the day was intended for visiting cemeteries, not beaches or amusement parks.

The degrading of the event began decades ago when the federal-employee unions persuaded Congress to make federal holidays into three-day weekends and it was a stupid decision that has decreased the value of the concept of patriotism.

Not many Americans are really patriotic anymore. And, for some, it's saluting whichever cheap politician happens to be in occupying the White House or rooting for whatever the current war happens to be.

It doesn't seem to matter if the war is just or unjust or if the politician is honest or a devious liar.

We are all going to die, but it has always seemed the worst death is the unnecessary death.

It should be the goal of American politicians to never send young men and women to an unnecessary war and that means you don't go to war against a

country that is not a threat to the U.S.

No American takes an oath to defend a foreign country or overthrow a foreign tyrant.

We take an oath to defend our Constitution and our country and nothing else.

American patriotism has become so diluted that when politicians publicly proclaim undying support for a foreign country, we don't even give it a second thought or remind them that they are Americans in America running for an American office to represent and serve the American people.

If they love a foreign country more than their own, then they are free to emigrate, but they should not be free to sacrifice the lives of young Americans on behalf of any foreign country.

Memorial Day should be a solemn and sad day as we remember all the young men and women who were denied the joys of a normal lifespan.

War is vicious and cruel, but whether the war is just or unjust, necessary or unnecessary, those who die in it die honorably in service of their country.

Never blame the soldier for the politician's war, and never allow anyone else to do so in your presence.

Jerry Evans
East Jordan

A TAXPAYER'S PERSPECTIVE

Editor: I will not comment on your re-

lections of the teacher contract negotiations you shared in your letter to the Courier (From a teacher's perspective, April 15).

I do, however, think that you missed the mark in lamenting that public has been "foisted into the process" and been "thrust into it."

The public should be wholly informed about negotiations. As taxpayers, parents and/or general citizens, we have a vested interest in how our dollars are stewarded by the school board and what it costs to retain good facilities and staff in order to assure the well-being of our future society.

Knowledge about details, dollars and expected outcomes are paramount to an informed citizen. Unfortunately, alarmist or misdirected messages are always part of a diligent process, and must be borne as the privilege of free, if not always accurate, speech.

Had your article simply put forth the timelines as you see them, it would have been informative and deserving of attention.

Your inference that the public should not be bothered only serves to raise red flags and perhaps prompt obstructive responses.

I do with the distinct fair and solid decisions in this negotiation—much easier wished for than easily accomplished.

Sulane Hamilton
Marion Township

TREAT TEACHERS FAIRLY

Editor:

I am a member of the Charlevoix community. Both of my children were fortunate enough to have been educated in the Charlevoix Public Schools. They are both currently successful students in engineering programs at the University of Michigan. Many Charlevoix graduates attend outstanding and prestigious universities. Many are successful business people in our community. As a parent, I was a little anxious about a small school system like Charlevoix's providing a quality education for my children. I was concerned about them being prepared to attend a world-class university like the University of Michigan.

But not long into their school careers, my concern was alleviated because of the quality of the Charlevoix teachers. Any teacher can deliver curriculum. Charlevoix teachers go above and beyond just delivering curriculum. They are well educated themselves and have deep knowledge of their subject area.

As a parent, I couldn't be more pleased with the public education my children received in Charlevoix. They got a big school

education in a small school setting. To attract and keep quality educators, Charlevoix Public Schools needs to pay and compensate their professionals. Many of the teachers have years of experience and advanced degrees. Most people would agree

that a quality education is important for our society. If people truly value quality education then they must be willing to pay for it. I sincerely hope that the Charlevoix community, Super-

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Zonta's Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Marnie Green, a senior at Charlevoix High School, was named the winner of this

year's Charlevoix Area Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award.

The Zonta Young women in Public Affairs Award competition is designed to encourage

women to pursue decision-making positions in their communities in order to impact the

policies that affect the lives of women locally and throughout the world. The Zonta Young women in Public Affairs program looks to the young women of today who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

Green was chosen as the Charlevoix Area Zonta winner because of her involvement with her community, her focus on her career goals and her understanding of and involvement with global issues and cultures.

Green will be attending Central Michigan University to pursue a degree in Special Education.

Green demonstrates her commitment to the community through her volunteer work with children with autism and

other special needs and with Challenge Mountain.

She is also involved in school activities, including being a member of the student council and with the school's basketball program.

Zonta International is a global service organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. The Charlevoix Area Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award is one of the many programs for young women sponsored by Charlevoix Area Zonta.

Applications for next year's award will be available from Charlevoix Area Zonta in later this fall.



COURTESY PHOTO

The Charlevoix Zonta club recently bestowed their young women's award to Charlevoix student Marnie Green. Pictured are (from left) Sandy Stebe, Edith Dale, Colleen Greene, Marnie Greene, Maura Snabes, Gloria Greene, Gretchen Rice and Marty Strawbridge.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Jacklyn Heckendorn, a 2005 graduate of Charlevoix High School, has received the Marian A. Dammon Scholarship from Michigan State University's College of Education.

She was presented with the honor during the college's annual Awards Reception on April 3 at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing.

Heckendorn is majoring in English and minoring in psy-

chology (secondary education) at MSU. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an education honor society, and the National Council of Teachers of English. She has been a camp counselor and tutored in Lansing-area schools. She greatly anticipates completing her teaching internship during 2009-10 and teaching in a classroom of her own.

Her parents are Kirk and

Kathy Heckendorn.

The MSU College of Education presented more than 160 deserving undergraduate and graduate students with scholarships or fellowships this year. These financial gifts are supported by generous donors and recognize only the strongest students for their academic performance and record of leadership and community service.

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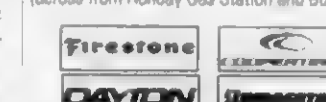
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Girl Scouts help Moms & Tots

The third-grade Brownies of Charlevoix Girl Scout Troop #10253 recently made a donation of the entire Candy Apple Book series to the Charlevoix Public Library.

This is just one of the com-

munity donations that the girls have done over their years as a troop with their cookie sales earnings.

They have previously donated baby baskets that they filled and assembled to the Elksworth

Mom & Tots program and have donated coloring books and crayons to the Charlevoix Area Hospital. Girl Scouts is open to girls from Kindergarten through 12th grade and is a wonderful way to make

friends, help the community and have fun.

A girl can join at any time during the year. If you would like to register, please contact Karen Giudice at 547-0739.



COURTESY PHOTO

Brownies of Troop #10253, from left to right: (bottom row): Hannah Ochs, Violet Sidlauskas, Alexandria Snabes, Natalie Nesburg, Rachel Nesburg, Mikayla Lowell, and Madison Olach. (middle row): Bailey Birdsall, Sophie Jacobs, Haley Campbell, Julia Sape, Abigail Glazier, Kayla Wolenczak, Sarah Martin, Lauren House, Courtney Streeter, Olivia Jeakle and Gracie Ochs; (back row): Audrey Shapiro, Charlevoix Public Library, and Maura A. Snabes, Troop Leader. Not pictured: Savannah McCullough and Co-Leaders: Hope House, Trish Olach and Carol Ochs.

ANNIVERSARY

60 years

Pastor Ross and Miriam Winters of Charlevoix celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, April 23.

They were married April 23, 1949 at the first Baptist Church in Hazel Park, Michigan, by the Rev. William H. Bach.

Pastor Winters served in ministry in churches in Hazel Park, Pinckney and Stanton, Michigan. Mrs. Winters worked in a women's and children's ministry in the three churches.

The Winters just returned from a 60th anniversary trip to Hawaii and Seattle given by their family.

The Winters' children and their spouses are Dianne and Dennis VanGuilder of Charlevoix, Dawn and Peter Grimm of Seattle; Rob and Carrie Winters of Atlanta, Ga.; Denise and Steve Danigelis of Rockford, Mich.; and Joel and Janet Winters of Troutdale, Ore.

The Winters have 14 grand children and six great-grandsons.

The family is planning a reunion this summer here in Charlevoix.



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OBITUARIES

Kimberly A. Isaac: September 12, 1974 - April 26, 2009

Kimberly Ann Isaac, 34, of Charlevoix, a beautiful young wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend flew up to Heaven on the wings of angels April 26, 2009.

Funeral will be 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 29, at the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix with visitation from 4 to 8 p.m., on Tuesday. The Reverend David Bechling will officiate and burial will take place in Barnard Cemetery.

Kimberly was born Sept. 12,

1974, the daughter of Richard and Diane (Himebauch) Wojan.

She graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1993. On Oct. 16, 1993, she married Gunner J. Isaac in Charlevoix.

Kim worked for Wojan Plumbing and Heating, and was a caregiver to her grandmother, Mildred Himebauch.

Most of all, she was a great mother and wife. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix.

Kimberly lived life to its fullest every day. Her greatest joy was being a wife to Gunner, a mother to Shelby Hope, and Hunter - her boo man, a baby sis to Tammy and an aunt to her nieces Kaitlyn, Brooke, Shawna, Carli, Krista, Lindsey, and her nephew, Aaron.

Kimberly loved the sunshine, reading, camping, family BBQs, bonfires and time spent with her beloved parents and mother-in-law, Bonnie. Kimberly always had time

to lend a listening ear and her passion was to share her heart, love and wisdom with everyone she came into contact with.

Kimberly will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church of Charlevoix, or to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

James K. Campbell: Died on April 18, 2009

James Kevin Campbell of Manalapan, Florida and Charlevoix, Michigan, died on April 18, 2009 at JFK Medical Center.

He was 90 years old.

Born in Detroit, MI, Mr. Campbell had spent many years associated with the automobile industry.

He was a financial executive of Inmont Corporation, now known as United Technologies.

Mr. Campbell attended the University of Detroit Mercy before entering the Army Air Force during World War II.

He became a major stationed at Morrison Field in Palm Beach.

A loyal Alum of the University of Detroit, he donated the Campbell Baseball Field and was an ardent supporter of

their baseball and football programs as well as those of the University of Michigan.

All of his life, Mr. Campbell was an enthusiastic golfer, hunter and fisherman.

In Palm Beach, Fla., Mr. Campbell co-founded Hospice of Palm Beach County.

He was also a member of the South Guild and served as its president for many years.

He was also a member of the JFK Medical Center development board.

Mr. Campbell was a member of the Everglades Club, Palm Beach Yacht Club, Otsego Ski

Club, Detroit Athletic Club, Club Limited, Bonnets Shooting Club, a former member of Bloomfield Hills Country Club and Charlevoix Country Club.

Mr. Campbell was preceded in death by his first wife of 56 years Virginia Fisher Campbell and by his son Dennis Campbell.

He is survived by his wife Caroline Perrey Campbell; son Jeffrey Campbell; three granddaughters Taylor, Tori and Tristen of Telluride, Colo.; sisters Patricia Campbell and Anne Welch.

He is also survived by three step-children, Nell Witting of Grand Rapids, MI, Katy Perrey of Frisco, Colo., and James Perrey of Somerville, SC; four step-grandchildren.

The Rosary was held at 5



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How much do teachers really make

SALARY

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able medical plan offered them last year when contract negotiation began, the pay schedule would have increased to a starting wage of \$36,137, and a top end wage of \$71,265.

The current average wage of Charlevoix teachers is \$59,119, the 10 highest paid Charlevoix teachers and staff are Kristen Beach, elementary - \$66,020; David Moyer, physical education - \$67,410; Roxann Roberts, elementary - \$67,410; Cathy Silberman, elementary - \$68,724; Carol Madison, middle school - \$66,020; Dennis VanGuilder, middle school - \$69,868; Kay Wasilewski, middle school - \$69,868; Patricia Miller, middle school - \$68,724; Debra Devitt, elementary counselor - \$69,868, and John Prescott, high school counselor - \$67,833.

The salaries for administration and highest paid non-union staff are as follows: Superintendent Chet Janik earned \$102,144 last year with a \$5,000 stipend for meals, dues and professional development, and \$4,800 for a car allowance; career counselor Gail Cherry - \$50,364; personnel director Kelly Yaroch - \$56,200; business manager Shawn Bidle - \$71,291; technology director Scott Mays - \$86,982; high school principal Suzanne Klinger - \$84,660; middle school principal Keith Haske, who gets a 2 percent matching annuity included in his salary - \$87,228; elementary school principal Dick Swenor, who retired several years ago to save the district money, though he remains in the that position as a contracted employee - \$97,700, and transportation head Gordie Russell - \$65,569.

• THE INSURANCE
Charlevoix teachers currently receive Blue Cross/Blue Shield medical insurance administered by the Michigan Educational Association's MESSA insurance program.

The MEA claims health insurance premiums paid by the schools have remained relatively stable from 13.10 percent of the district's overall expenditures in 2003 to 13.42 percent in the 2007-2008 school year.

However, the actual cost of health insurance per teacher and unionized support staff member per month in 2002-2003 was \$898. The cost in 2008-2009 had increased to \$1,496.14 per person per month.

The Blue Cross plan currently utilized by nine administrators and non-unionized staff costs \$678.91 per month, plus a \$2,000 yearly deductible paid for by the school, for a single employee for nearly identical coverage — the main difference

between the MESSA and the Blue Cross is that MESSA pays for massages and Blue Cross will only cover them if prescribed by a doctor.

The two-person Blue Cross plan costs \$406.35 per month with a \$4,000 yearly deductible paid for by the school.

The family plan for three or more persons costs \$989.30 per month plus a \$4,000 yearly deductible paid for by the school.

The yearly cost of single Blue Cross plan - \$10,146.92.

The yearly cost of family Blue Cross plan is - \$14,902.72.

The yearly cost of the MESSA plan, regardless of the number on the plan, is - \$17,953.68.

• THE BENEFITS
Another apparent sticking point in negotiations is the sick time cash-out. Charlevoix teachers are allowed to accrue up to 180 days of sick time and, at retirement, receive their, then current, salary per diem for each unused sick day.

Last year, Charlevoix Public Schools paid \$150,000 for five teachers who retired. Administrators once had a similar cash-out perk, but anyone hired in the last 12 years is capped at 100 sick days at \$50 a day for a total of \$5,000.

Janik said other local schools have respective caps ranging from \$3,000 to \$9,000.

Those administrators who retired over the last several years and cashed their sick time are Gary Grundman - \$32,589; Jim Kanne - \$45,065.90; John Sturcock - \$20,553; and Dick Swenor - \$52,904.71.

The top five sick day cash outs were for Pat Carland \$32,706.90; Marna LaBlance - \$33,844.38; Laurie Keller - \$34,861.60; Roger Gowell - \$33,705; and Betty Henne - \$33,861.60.

Teachers, unionized support staff and administrators are also eligible for a 100 percent match of 2 percent of their yearly salary.

• THE OPINIONS
The financial brouhaha has drawn varying points of view from locals as well as people from around the state.

Petoskey High School special education teacher and Charlevoix resident Sarah Harschewski said Charlevoix's administration needs to fairly compensate its teachers.

"Charlevoix teachers took a pay freeze last contract. When times have had everybody is supposed to suffer. But, when times are good I don't remember getting a huge raise," she said.

"I just don't understand why teachers ... are having to defend pay and benefits — I might make more than a blue collar person, but that's why I got my education: to get a better salary and improve myself."

Michigan Educational Association (MEA) financial analyst Arch Lewis — who according to MEA documents earned \$120,358 plus \$26,692 and \$9,484 in other compensation for a total of \$156,532 in 2008 — gave a presentation on his version of the schools' financial situation back in February.

At the time, Lewis said Charlevoix schools routinely have an average of \$900,000 more than their budget discloses, and that the extra money should be spent on raises and benefits for teachers and support staff in

addition to educational materials — Charlevoix schools have had a five-year freeze on buying textbooks and other classroom supplies.

Kyle Olson, of the Muskegon-based Education Action Group, an organization encouraging schools to cut waste, recently erected a billboard claiming Charlevoix schools could save \$230,000 per year by switching from MESSA health insurance to the Blue Cross plan.

"Our goal is to stop the MEA and local school boards from keeping contract negotiations

behind closed doors," Olson stated via e-mail. "They're negotiating for tax money, our money, and the taxpayers should know what's happening."

Referring to Conway's recent guest editorial ("From a teacher's perspective" April 15, page 4), Olson added, "A local MEA leader said she was 'sorry' the public got dragged into the situation. We're not sorry at all, because it's the public's business."

Outspoken Charlevoix business owner John Haggard was concerned by the reluctance of teachers to switch to the lower

cost insurance.

"Very few people ... realize there are no deductibles because they all get paid 100 percent by the taxpayers," he said. "Our company just switched and saved \$25,000 a year."

Several Charlevoix teachers asked to comment declined to do so except to defer to Conway.

To see the salaries of the rest of Charlevoix Public Schools teachers, visit www.charlevoixcourier.com.



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Pay disparity widest in small schools

How do teachers without collective bargaining fare?

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

During the Charlevoix Courier's investigation into school teacher and administration pay and benefits packages, Northwest Academy, the non-unionized public school in Charlevoix, was also examined.

Billing itself as the academic alternative in Charlevoix, Northwest Academy public charter school officials proudly proclaim their teachers to be "all employees" who must earn their position and pay every workday.

"Our staff chose to work here for a reason—some of them wanted more flexibility; some of them are here because they were tired of the system," said Northwest Academy head administrator John Bailey. "Are we going to pay them as much as we can? Damn right."

He added, "We're going to up those salaries just as soon as we can."

Northwest Academy receives \$7,580 for each of its 78 full time students. Three percent of their income goes to their charter holder Saginaw Valley State University.

Following are the yearly pay and benefit package amounts, where applicable, for 2008-

2009 as set by the Northwest Academy Public Schools Board of Education.

- Bailey - \$45,000
- Student liaison Cindy Romero - \$46,000 plus \$12,602 for health insurance

- Stutzman - \$46,000 with \$3,016 for health insurance

- Elementary teacher Michelle Utley - \$36,700 plus \$12,602 for health insurance

- High school teacher Michelle Brya - \$27,750 plus \$3,000 for health insurance

- High school teacher Kris Rasmussen - \$27,200 plus \$4,584 for insurance

- Early elementary teacher Phoebe Gohs - \$27,000 plus \$1,000 for health insurance

- High school teacher Kurt Grangood - \$25,000 plus \$7,369 for health insurance

- Junior high school teacher Matt Saunders - \$25,000 plus \$1,000 for health insurance

- Specialty staff Susan Kissinger - \$25,000

- Office manager Leslie Herriman - \$18,000 plus \$12,602 for health insurance

- Middle and high school teacher Matt Peters - \$9,311 plus \$1,000 for health insurance

- High school teacher Rob Harris - \$8,850
- Music teacher Don Niedert - \$7,680

Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik declined to comment on Northwest Academy's pay and benefit packages when compared to his own teachers.

But, he did say it doesn't matter how big of a pot of money you have to educate children, it's all in how you spend it.

He did say he felt the Charlevoix Public School District's pay and benefit package was one of several factors which attracted high quality educators.

In the interest of full disclosure, it should be noted that

Charlevoix Courier Editor Benjamin Gohs is married to Northwest Academy school teacher Phoebe Gohs.

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intendent of Charlevoix Schools and school board members value their educators. I also hope that the Charlevoix School board and superintendent will soon settle a fair, equitable contract with the Charlevoix Teachers.

Sarah Haselschwandt
Charlevoix

HELLO IT'S ME

Remember me? The old bearded guy on the bike; the one you yelled obscenities at; threw your drink at while I was riding down the road; the one you drove by in your SUV or sports car screaming at me to "get a job you & @%*# burn!"; the one you honked at and gave the finger to and then said there was no problem once confronted.

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I guess I should be a little comforted because at least I know that I am seen while on my bike.

All of you seem to be of high school age. At least all the ones with which I could make eye contact.

Perhaps you needed to blow off a little steam while writing your humanities, social science or ethics papers. Every time I was affronted by you, I was dressed in less than fancy bike clothes, sometimes picking up bottles and cans along side the road.

When I hop on my slick mountain bike with all the right clothes, I get smiles and waves. Sadly, this tells me something about our society's view of their fellow citizens.

I encourage all to look up Michigan vehicle code Act 300 of 1949 257.660a (dealing with bicycles on the road) on the state Web site.

As for getting a job: after serving this country in the military for 30 years, I believe I will have to decline your request. Hope you all get an A+ on your papers.

Please share the road.
Curtis Merrifield USCG retired

UNITED WAY SAYS THANKS

Editor:

We again had a wonderful group of community volunteers sitting on our allocations review panel and we want make sure they know their time and efforts were appreciated as well as let the community know what is happening at their United Way.

Thank-you
Julie Voci,
Administrative/Program Assistant for Char-Fam United Way

ENGAGEMENTS

Ricks - Marks

Dr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Ricks of Charlevoix are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn, to Keith Marks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marks of Farmington Hills, Mich.

Kathryn is currently attending the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. She graduated with honors from Michigan State University with a BS in Human Biology and was a graduate of Charlevoix High School. She is currently employed as a 2nd Lieutenant in the

United States Air Force and will work for the Air Force as a Dentist at the rank of Captain once becoming a graduate of Dental School in May, 2010.

Keith is a high school History and English teacher and currently employed as an Assistant Track Coach at North Farmington High School, Farmington Hills, Mich. He graduated from North Farmington High School, as well as from Michigan State University with a BA in History and cognates in Education Psychology and



English. He also graduated from Baker College with a Post Baccalaureate Teaching Certificate. The wedding has been planned for Aug. 8, 2009 in the King's Courtyard at Castle Farms, Charlevoix, Mich.

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the Charlevoix Courier that she may have been traveling four or five miles above the speed limit when she was stopped on Antrim Street that Sunday.

"If I had been speeding I would take responsibility for

that," she said.

Warner's lawyer, Richard Scarfone, met numerous objections from the prosecutor as he attempted to question both the officer and his client about the details of the traffic stop.

Warner told the court that, back in February, she stopped when she saw flashing police

lights behind her.

She said she then drove her car a few car lengths ahead so the officer would have more room to pull over and, when she stopped the second time, Schlappi came charging up to her vehicle, gun drawn, and screaming for her to put her hands up.

Jarema's objections were sustained and the speeding ticket was the only issue addressed during the hearing.

However, the allegations of mistreatment may not be over.

Though two-and-a-half months passed before any form of complaint was filed with

Charlevoix City Police Chief Gerard Doan, Warner submitted a letter to his office on Friday, April 17.

Doan would not divulge the letter's content and a request for the letter under the Freedom Of Information Act was not granted to the Courier by

press time.

Warner's lawyer could not be reached by press time.

Warner was also cited during the traffic stop for not having her driver's license at the time and she was warned for failing to obey an officer's instructions.

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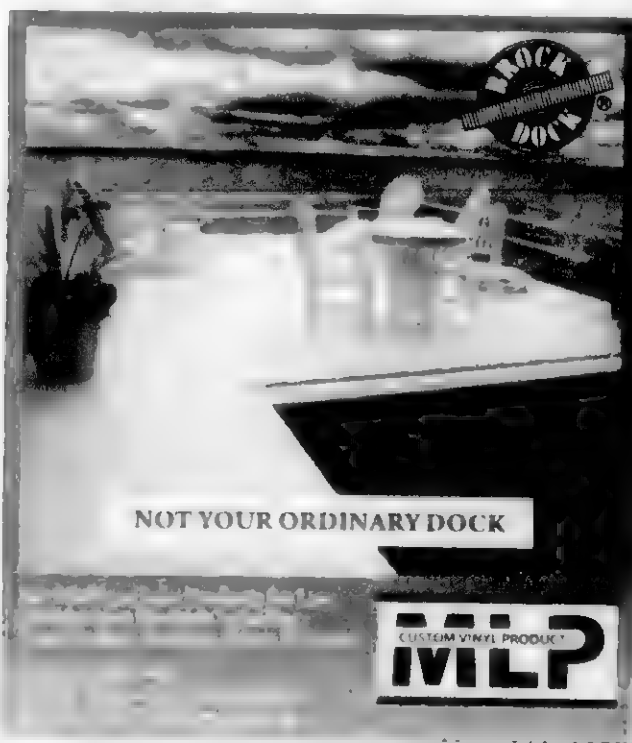


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Boogy down

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. tried desperately to dance away his disco fever on April 25 at Castle Farms during the Knights of Columbus Cash Party. No one was injured in the process.

For more photos from the K of C Cash party visit www.charlevoixcourier.com.



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Jennifer McKay, policy specialist with Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council in Petoskey, said mercury is one of the most dangerous Great Lakes contaminants.

"When it enters aquatic systems, mercury goes through chemical reactions that render it into a highly toxic form. A seventh of a teaspoon is enough to contaminate the fish of a 25-acre lake," McKay said.

The policy specialist said mercury pollution comes from many sources, but the primary source is air pollution.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder girls varsity soccer

Charlevoix 0, East Jordan 0, April 7th

Goals, Assists: Olivia Catt -2.1; KC McCary -1.1; Meredith Rich -1.2; Caroline Dupuis 1.1; Madison Way 1.1; Hallie Bills 1.0; Taylor Smith 1.0.

Shutout - Tammy Potter in goal.

Player of the Game - Senior Bridgette Peters.

Record: 1-0 Lake Michigan Conference; 1-0 Overall.

Charlevoix 3, Harbor Springs 0, April 9th

Goals, Assists: Olivia Catt -1.0; KC McCary 0.1; Caroline Dupuis -0.1; Madison Way 2.0.

Tammy Potter 2 saves shutout in goal.

Player of the Game - KC McCary.

Record: 2-0 Lake Michigan Conference; 2-0 Overall.

Charlevoix 8, Grayling 0, April 14th

Goals, Assists: Olivia Catt -0.3; KC McCary -3.0; Meredith Rich -0.1; Bobbie Molter -1.1; Madison Way -1.0; Hallie Bills -2.1; Taylor Smith -1.1.

Tammy Potter 3 saves, shutout in goal.

Player of the Game - Hallie Bills.

Record: 3-0 Lake Michigan Conference; 3-0 Overall.

Charlevoix 8, Kalkaska 0 April 16th

Goals, Assists: Olivia Catt -2.1; Meredith Rich -1.0; Elisabeth Drost -1.1; Caroline Dupuis -1.0; Madison Way -2.1; Hallie Bills -1.1; Taylor Smith 0.2.

Tammy Potter - 4th Shutout.

in Goal.

Player of the Game - Bobbie Molter.

Record: 4-0 Lake Michigan Conference; 4-0 Overall.

Charlevoix 3, Gaylord 3 April 17th

In a tightly contested game on a windy evening at the Charlevoix HS field, the Rayders held on to force a tie with Division 2 Gaylord.

Going with the wind early, Charlevoix got on the board, when junior co captain Madison Way sent a cross to sophomore Hallie Bills who tucked the ball into the net for the 1-0 lead.

Following shortly, junior Caroline Dupuis sent a long shot which the keeper deflected and senior co captain Olivia Catt sent the ball home. Although the Rayders managed 9 shots to the Devils 5, the half ended at 2-0.

Ten minutes into the 2nd stanza, Gaylord got on the board when a defensive miscue allowed their center striker a one on one shot against Charlevoix' senior keeper Tammy Potter.

Potter, 1st team all state in 2008, had no chance on the opponents first goal of the new season.

Gaylord kept the pressure on going with the wind, now down just 2-1. A long ball was sent forward, the offside flag went up but the center referee didn't see the flag. The Gaylord striker ran into Potter causing an injury which required the Rayders to replace her in goal.

The Devils scored almost immediately off the restart with a high shot with the wind which would have been difficult for any keeper to stop. 2-2.

Potters injury fired the

Rayders up and they moved the ball well into the growing wind.

The Rayders went up 3-2 on a great individual effort by sophomore wing Taylor Smith. Smith beat the defender near midfield and took the ball to goal and again beat the keeper one on one.

The Devils answered with another high hard shot which beat Charlevoix's inexperienced replacement keeper when the defense allowed the shooter to turn in front of the net.

Potter returned to the game and again inspired the Rayders who had the better of play for the final few minutes but were

unable to connect for the win.

Potter managed 13 saves and was named player of the game for the Rayders for her inspiring comeback.

Madison Way played a tough game at midfield while Meredith Rich led the Charlevoix defense.

The Rayders, 4-0 in conference and 4-0-1 overall, host Treverse City Liberty in a key contest on Monday.

For Charlevoix, Mike Kras had

two hits and three RBI and Coby Herriman had two hits and two RBI. Alex Foster walked three and struck out seven over six innings.

Vandermus struck out four for the victory in the nightcap, which was called after three innings because of darkness. Kopka doubled to lead Harbor, while Vandermus, Boeckman, Morse and Mathews each singled.

Foster and Jordan Farmer each had an RBI single for the Rayders, and Michael Heckendorn singled.

Harbor is 2-2 overall and in the league.

Baseball

Harbor Springs 8-6, Charlevoix 6-3

Josh Boeckman's seventh-inning single broke a 5-5 tie and Josh Morse added a two-run double for what turned out to be the decisive runs in the opener Tuesday, April 14 sparking Harbor to the Lake Michigan Conference sweep of the Rayders.

Mike Vandermus earned the win with an inning of relief. He struck out two and led Harbor at the plate with two hits. Harbor starter John Mathews struck out four over six innings. Jackson Kopka added a single for Harbor.

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SPORTS reviewing the action



Caber throw

Reagan Drebenstedt of Charlevoix is seen throwing the caber during the Shamrock highland games on March 14 in Springfield, Ill. Drebenstedt took fifth place in the age 21 category.

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Kiwanis track

Winners of the Kiwanis Freshmen and Sophomore Invitational Men's Track and Field Meet held in Harbor Springs on April 22 recently announced that Charlevoix High School students were the overall winners of the competition.

Individual winners were Kirk

Acharya, Vinny VonLou, Andrew Plude and Eric Buday of the 3200-meter relay; Jim Boss, Braden Knoup, Jordan Jones and Jake McLean were winners of the 400 meter relay; Andrew Plude, Kirk Acharya, Will Larson and Eric Buday were winners of the 1600 meter relay.

In the 600 and 1600 meter runs the winner was Eric Buday. Andrew Plude came in first in the High Jump, T.J. Quinlan came in first in the long jump. The 110 meter Hurdles dash winner was Brian Shuler. Will Larson won the 400 meter dash.

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Ferris University camp scholarships for junior golfers

The Charlevoix County Junior Golf program has announced that scholarship applications have been mailed to those junior golfers who are eligible to receive consideration for the week-long golf camp held on the campus of Ferris State University.

To be eligible, youngsters must have attended at least half of the 2008 summer instructional sessions and be at least 12 years of age.

For the past 14 year, five to seven area golfers have been selected each year to attend golf camp.

Executive Director Dean Davenport pointed out that applications have been mailed to those eligible and the dealing to return applications is May 15.

If some needs an application they can call him at (231) 796-7252.

Board treasurer Sam Supernaw Sr., had praise for local golfers that support junior golf through a variety of ways.

"We're grateful to area golfers who participate in our sole fund-raiser Teaching Professional Steve Braun's 100 holes in a day," Supernaw said of the event where supporters make pledges.

The many volunteers that donate their time to serve as mentors, walking golf holes with our large class of junior golfers and helping out in a variety of ways are critical to our success, and the obvious cooperation of area courses, the Charlevoix Golf Country Club, the Belvedere, the Municipal and Antrim Dells course who open their facilities for our youngsters.

Each scholarship applicant is evaluated, with winners publicly announced on June 13.

On that date, Junior Golf registration for 8 to 17 year olds is scheduled with an orientation session all to take place at the Municipal Golf Course at 11 a.m. More details on the program will be announced later.

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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.amrcmi.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens. Preventing disease transmission.

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

- Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
- Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.
- Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

MAY 1

Grilling for art

A benefit fundraiser will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 1 at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant in the lounge. All proceeds will benefit the Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

Cost is \$10 and includes hot dogs, beer braised brats, Angus hamburgers, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans and chips.

There is a cash bar.

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APRIL 28 - MAY 1

No family health services at the health department.

Family Health Services at the Health Department of Northwest Michigan offices in Bellaire, Marcellona, Charlevoix, Petoskey, Harbor Springs, and Gaylord will not be available from now until Friday, May 1 while staff is trained to use new software required by the Michigan Department of Community Health.

The WIC Nutrition & Education Program, Immunizations, Family Planning, Children's Special Health Care Services, Breast &

Cervical Cancer Control Program, and Northern Health Plan services will not be available during this five-day period. Dental Clinics North, Environmental Health, Home Care, and Hospice of Northwest Michigan services will not be interrupted.

NOW THROUGH MAY 8

Art on display

From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan, there are more than 120 works of art on display. Call curator Sylvia Walworth at (231) 599-1065 or e-mail sylwalworth@torchlake.com for more information.

NOW THROUGH MAY

The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan, based out of Petoskey, but covering Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties, will be offering a number of health and safety and preparedness classes during the month of May. For a complete listing of these classes, please read on below, call their offices at (231) 348-7666 or visit their Web site at www.amrcmi.org.

NOW THROUGH MAY 16

The following events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Winter hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

- Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays

- Figure drawing - May 16

- Call for submissions for the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle show. Open to two or three dimensional artwork or furniture formed from recycled materials and artwork with an emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Call (231) 373-6033 for more information.

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NOW THROUGH MAY 4

St. Mary School's Spring Art Show at the school. Public is welcome to stop in and see the art created by St. Mary pre-kindergarten through sixth-grade.

APRIL 28 AND MAY 26

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.



Remember these kids?

Charlevoix Courier readers Joyce and Dean Davenport found these pictures, which originally appeared in a 1946 Charlevoix Courier piece entitled "Future Citizens of Charlevoix." Shown are (top row, left) Kay Miller, Nancy Staley, Marlene Boss, (bottom, from left) Judy and David Dutcher, Sandra Gregory, and Gerald and Robert Balch. Send your old Courier clippings, unique photographs and Charlevoix remembrances to 112 Mason St., Charlevoix, MI 49720 or e-mail them to news@charlevoixcourier.com. COURTESY PHOTO

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

- April 28 - "Kilowatt Hours - A plan to Re-Energize America" by Jeff Barne. Follow filmmaker Jeff Barne from the coal mines of W. Virginia to the solar panel fields of Florida as he discovers solutions to America's energy related problems.

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MAY 3

Rayder golf classic

Due to inclement weather, the Rayder Baseball Golf Classic has been rescheduled for Sunday May 3, 2009.

Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. and tee time is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The fundraiser helps with field and game equipment as well as field upkeep and travel costs.

The format is a four-person golf scramble. There will be games, prizes, raffle, silent auction and

your chance to win a car with a hole in one. The entry fee is \$70 per player. Price includes golf, lunch and a tee gift. To sponsor or sign up, call Kirk Heckendorf at (231) 675-1941 or e-mail kheckendorf@aol.net.

NOW THROUGH MAY 8

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Lincoln Day Dinner

At 6 p.m., May 8 at Boyne Mountain the Charlevoix County Republicans and guests will gather for their annual Lincoln Day Dinner.

MAY 9

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MAY 14

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The American Red Cross Blood Drive

Will be held from noon to 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 14 at the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church on the corner of US 31 North and Meech Street. Call (800) 448-3543 for an appointment or drop in. Bring your ARC donor card or government photo ID.

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Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

MAY 16

Literary Delights

Zonta Club hosts their annual Michigan Women Authors Luncheon. Proceeds for SOS community girls enrichment program. This year's event features Sue Harrison, Amy L. Young and Julie Frawley. Purchase tickets, \$40 each, at Round Lake Book Store or call 547-4109 or contact any Zontian.

MAY 23

Softball for men and women



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Relay for Life

Geoff Britt, chairman of the Charlevoix Relay for Life cancer fundraising event spoke to a crowd of several dozen during the group's kickoff dinner on April 22. The actual American Cancer Society Relay for Life does not begin until August.

Deadline to sign up for softball is 5 p.m., May 23. Call 547-3253 for more information or see Ike Boss in the recreation department, Charlevoix City Hall.

MAY 25

Memorial Day parade

Charlevoix American Legion Post 226 will again host the Memorial Day Parade in Charlevoix. Following is the schedule of events:

9 a.m. wreath laying ceremony at the Flag Pole, Brookside Cemetery, with the National Anthem, Lincoln's Address and Firing Party.

9:30 a.m. marching units assemble on East Garfield St.

10 a.m. Parade begins north on Bridge Street.

10:10 a.m. Parade halts to decorate Veterans Monument.

10:15 a.m. Parade turns east on to Mason Street and terminates at East Park Stage where ceremonies continue.

Inclement weather location is Charlevoix Middle School gymnasium.

MAY 28

Blood drive

10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., May 28 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive.

JUNE 3

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Took their kids to work

Harbor Industries of Charlevoix observed Take Your Kid To Work Day with various employees and their children participating. Here Selena (far left) and Miranda Vandenberg take a plant tour with Andy Barger on April 23.

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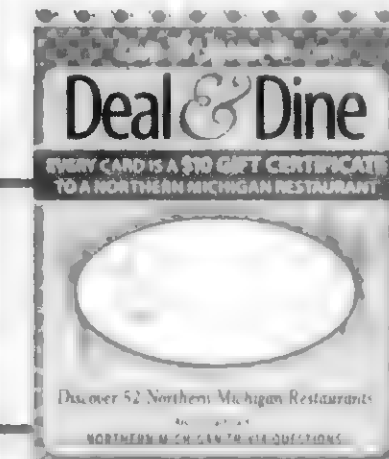


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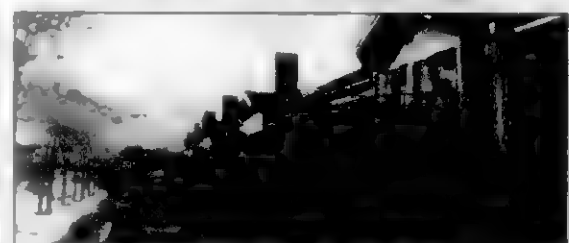
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Pills up, coke down
Charlevoix second highest
in drug complaints, arrestsBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Whether you pop, snort, inject, smoke or just plain sell illicit drugs, the Straights Area Narcotics Enforcement (SANE) team is looking for you.

Law enforcement officials say they are making progress in certain areas, but added that much work must be done to slow the northern Michigan region's illegal drug trade.

"The availability of cocaine dropped significantly during 2008," stated SANE Unit Commander Det. Lt. Ken Mills in his annual report. "This is a tribute to the great cases conducted during the three previous years, when arrest counts for delivery of cocaine were above 80."

He added, "A number of those arrests were significant cocaine traffickers that were arrested on state and federal charges."

A total of 88 grams of powder and crack cocaine — 15 and 73 grams respectively — were seized at a street value of \$9,680.

According to Mills, the arrests for delivery of prescription medication rose significantly last year.

"The team made 97 prescription drug arrests during the year," he stated. "The team had worked more closely with

DRUG SEIZURES	AMOUNT	STREET VALUE
Cocaine	15 grams	\$1,650
Crack cocaine	73 grams	\$8,030
Ecstasy	110 doses	\$3,300
Heroin	26 grams	\$7,880
Marijuana	1,162 plants	\$1,162,000
Marijuana	120.03 pounds	\$120,032
Morphine	206 doses	\$1,030
Morphine	428 doses	\$19,290
OxyContin	310 doses	\$6,200
Various prescription pills	258 doses	\$1,941
Vicodin	681 doses	\$68,100

those in the medical field to better impact the problem."

Prescription drug doses seized numbered 1,249 for a combined street value of \$76,241.

According to Scott Kelly, the executive director of Bay Area Substance Education Services also known as BASES Teen Center, said prescription drugs is the fastest growing threat to young people.

"There has been a steady increase for the last three years," he said. "Access to the pills has been one of the biggest issues."

Kelly said kids can get anything from Vicodin and OxyContin to drugs used to treat attention deficit disorder from the purses, medicine cabinets and cupboards of friends and

relatives

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema agreed that the misuse of prescription drugs poses the biggest threat to the community.

"I have tried to take a three-fold approach: Educate the youth as to the ramifications of drugs; established the drug death team to quickly respond to drug overdose deaths," he said. "We have received convictions for delivering drugs causing death ... and I have worked with our legislators to change the laws on obtaining prescription pain killers and there are currently bills pending in Lansing."

Of the 11 counties SANE serves, Charlevoix has the second

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FILE PHOTO

15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial Jam

The 15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial Fund Benefit will be from 1 p.m. to midnight on May 17 at the Gold Nugget in Ellsworth. See story, page 12.

Officials ready for swine flu

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Authorities from school personnel to paramedics are closely watching the outbreak of H1N1 influenza, also known as the swine flu.

And, they assure that they have plans in place to deal with the illness should it spread to northern Michigan.

"In all reality swine flu is the flu—it just hit harder in Mexico than here," said Charlevoix City Fire Chief Paul Ivan. "We always disinfect the ambulances and there are masks on the ambulances ... which are supposed to protect our people from any air-based pathogen."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as of May 3 there was still only one death from the H1N1 virus with 226 cases nationwide and two laboratory-confirmed cases in Michigan.

According to the CDC, the H1N1 is a combination of swine, human and bird influenza viruses.

Symptoms can include: fever, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches, runny nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

And, while H1N1 may be similar to the seasonal flu which annually sickens

200,000 and kills 36,000 Americans, it has some unique features.

"It's a completely new strain which means none of us have ever been infected by it; which means none of us have any kind of immunity for it," said Caron Withers, the Infection Prevention Coordinator at Charlevoix Area Hospital. "From what I understand, the seasonal vaccine will not protect you from swine flu."

She added, "Another danger of this new strain is that it may be extremely virulent and could make people very

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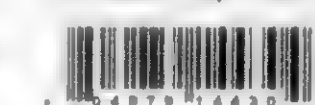
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BIRTHS

Emma Rose Argetsinger weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces was born April 27, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Raymond and Melissa Argetsinger of Charlevoix. Her siblings are Natasha Maierhofer and Harley Argetsinger. Her grandparents are Gloria Barnes of Charlevoix, Don Norman of Holiday Island, Ariz., Terry and Betty Argetsinger of Mancelona, and Donna Shaler of Fife Lake. Her great-grandparents are Robert and Joe Norman of Kalkaska.

Max Farrell Muladore weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces was born April 27, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Matt and Sara Muladore of Ellsworth. His sibling is Molly Jo Muladore. His grandparents are Dave and Brenda Muladore and Mark and Sheila Esenberg all of Ellsworth.

Finn Webster Parish

weighing 10 pounds, 9 ounces was born April 25, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Keith and Jessica Parish of Boyne City. His grandparents are Paul and Marge Parish and Richard and Judy Seibert all of Charlevoix. His great-grandparent is Clifford Seibert of Mineral Point, Wis.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Christopher Dale Morse, 26, East Jordan. Open intoxicant motor vehicle passenger. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Daniel James Massey, 39, Boyne Falls. Operator while license suspended/revoked/denied; motor vehicle without security. Pay \$675 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Thomas Allen Karlskin, 24, Boyne City. False pretenses of more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for one day in jail to serve 14 days in jail; 335 days held in abeyance; to serve nine months on probation; serve 15 days of community service work. \$1,129.90 in fines and costs.

Weather

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Apr 28	73	36		
Apr 29	46	36		
Apr 30	68	44		
May 1	64	42	11	
May 2	50	36		
May 3	56	39	01	
May 4	62	41		

Ralph Edward Lehr, 49, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Serve 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Corey Robert Eaton, 29, Boyne City. Operator license suspended/denied/revoked; second or subsequent offense. Credit for three days in jail; to serve 37 days in jail; \$900 in fines and costs.

Shawn Joshua Beckett, 24, Gladwin. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied; second or subsequent offense. Credit for seven days in jail; to serve 13 days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

Guy Wayne Carter, 49, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated; second offense. Credit for one day in jail; 334 days held in abeyance; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve 24 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,080 in fines and costs.

Amber Marie Lundy, 25, East Jordan. No operator li-

cence on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Jason Lee Towsley, 31, Charlevoix. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$600 or serve eight days in jail.

Terry Lee Clark, 49, East Jordan. Driving while license suspended, first offense. Pay \$600 or serve eight days in jail.

Christopher Michael Whisler, 24, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Stephanie Kay Doss, 35, Petoskey. Funds insufficient for checks written over \$100, but less than \$500. Pay \$1,261 or serve 20 days in jail.

Cory Matthew Vroman, 18, Boyne City. Larceny by conversion, under \$200. Pay \$420 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Kimberly Ilene Glenn, 38, Toledo, Ohio. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; serve 60 days on an electronic monitoring device; 82 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve 12 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend Impact weekend; \$1,180 in fines and costs.

Captain Dawson's sailing trip

Keep up on Captain Gary Dawson's sailing trip around the world in his own words.

Each Sunday, Dawson gives an update on his three to five-year trip on the high seas.

Panama, finally. We finally made it to Panama.

We left Old Providence Island Thursday at noon and arrived at the canal around 3 a.m. on Saturday.

The trip was short—250 miles—about 40 hours, but the winds were 12 to 16 knots and the seas seven to nine feet.

So, we had a fast sail in lumpy seas.

Upon leaving the Island we caught three barracuda and promptly let them go—not great eating.

About 30 miles out from the Island we saw some birds around a certain area of water, so I put the lure back in and headed towards the birds. We then hooked onto a four-foot, 30-pound Mahi Mahi.

We filleted it and froze it and have enough for five meals.

Read more from this week's journal entry by Captain Gary at www.Charlevoixcourier.com.

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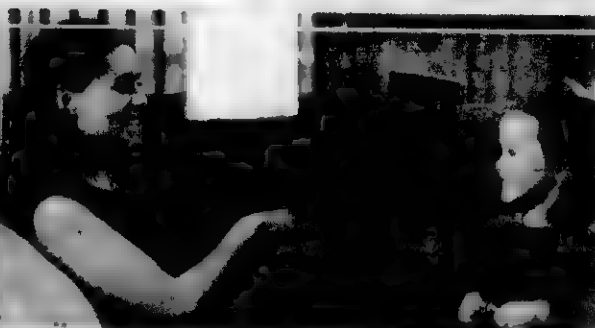
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Charlevoix business robust overall

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A recession may be afoot, but someone apparently forgot to tell some of Charlevoix's business owners.

Despite a long winter, steady unemployment and grim financial outlook by some experts, area businesses are surviving and even thriving.

"I have expanded on the Internet significantly," said Pine River Books owner Tony Duerr. "I've had a better year than the year before."

Duerr said foot traffic this time of year is generally slow, but he expects that to increase as temperatures get warmer.

Duerr is positive a busy summer lies ahead and he isn't the only one who sees good things on the horizon.

According to the Michigan Retailers Association, store

owners are expecting an increase in their second quarter sales figures.

"Retailers' short-term forecasts fell sharply last fall after the meltdown in the financial markets, hitting a low point in November," stated James P. Hallan, Michigan Retailers Association president and CEO in his late-April report.

"Since then, they have improved gradually, demonstrating greater confidence in the economy. There is still a long, long way to go, but we see this as a positive trend."

Vi Forreider, who owns and operates Scovie's Gourmet with her husband Scott, said despite the current economic conditions, people still have to eat.

"It has not affected us as much as other retailers," she said. "Yeah, people can't go

out as much, but they're still spending money."

Forreider said Scovie's is able to enter its sixth year in downtown Charlevoix because she and her husband stress quality ingredients and incomparable customer service.

Housing crisis or not, according to Realtor Alicia Mosher with Prudential Preferred Properties Network, real estate is still selling.

"Traditionally, because we're more of a resort type of community, we do tend to slow in the first quarter, but the second quarter is starting to pick up," she said.

While Mosher said there is no comparison between the amount of business she is doing now and the number of homes she was selling just a few years ago, there is reason to be optimistic.

"Phone calls are coming in and contacts via the Internet are as well," she said.

Part of the reason for the slower than normal growth is unemployment and lenders with more stringent standards.

"Banks say there is money available, but ... actually getting that money to the borrower means there's a lot more hoops they have to get through," Mosher said.

While the housing market is a bit of a "wait and see" game, Mosher said she expects a good summer due to the number of bargains and bargain hunters in the region.

When it comes to what goes in the houses which are sold, Kitchens North owner Jim Tank said he has been as busy this winter as any other.

"Over 88 percent of people (in Michigan) are still em-

ploied and ... I've always marketed myself," said the cabinet maker. "I've built long-term relationships with my customers."

While the recession is in the forefront of the minds of so many, Tank said you really cannot let it depress you.

"I first went into business when (Jimmy) Carter was president. I got my first business loan at 18 percent and I didn't know any better," he said. "I just didn't know it was a bad time to go into business."

Tank added, "If I would have been paying attention to the news I would still probably be working for someone else out of fear."

Another key indicator of the economy's health is car sales.

"The majority of our sales have been with used (cars)

and the majority of those have been under \$10,000," said Pat McKeown Sr. of Pat McKeown Ford in Charlevoix. "People just don't want to commit to the big dollar amount."

McKeown said Ford Motor Credit is ready and willing to loan money to customers.

"We did not take the government cheese. We did not shut down for nine weeks. We did not go bankrupt," he said. "We have very little excess in our dealership. We are cut right down to exactly the number of people we need and everybody wears two or three hats."

McKeown said despite a rough first quarter, his body shop and service department continue to thrive.

"When I first came here in 1981 it was rough. You just work through it," he added

City working on energy buy-back policy

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Can customers on Charlevoix's electrical grid sell the excess electricity they create via wind and solar back to the city?

That was the question which came up just before Charlevoix City Council approved both their energy optimization and renewable energy plans.

"I want the City of Charlevoix to encourage individual homeowners and businesses to generate some of their own electricity from renewable sources," said City of Charlevoix electric consumer Steve Hansen. "The way to encourage this activity is to help individuals and businesses to return excess electricity to the city power grid and to be paid for this electricity."

The State of Michigan encourages utility companies to buy excess electricity from citizens who generate their own power from solar, wind or other renewable sources.

Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. asked Charlevoix electric department head Don Swem if there was a policy in place to allow for the buy-back of electricity.

"We don't have a policy for that right now," Swem said. "We're working on a policy but there are some questions that have to be answered."

Swem said he has concerns about allowing citizens to feed electricity into the lines for the sake of safety and cost.

"With Great Lakes (Energy) you've got 125,000 customers to spread that cost," he said. "In the case of a small munici-

pal like Charlevoix with 2,500 customers you're going to be paying dollars extra."

Swem said his biggest safety concern comes from how the flow of energy would be controlled when the grid is down for service.

If an electrical line worker is working on a city power line he thinks is off and a windmill is feeding electricity into that line, he could be electrocuted.

"I hope you don't just allow in a passive or grudging way individuals to sell their excess electricity back to the city," Hansen said. "The way to encourage this ... is by minimizing hook-up fees and ... paying retail price for the renewable electricity generated."

Swem said his department will continue working with to develop a sound policy which he will bring to before council at an unspecified date.

However, once the policy has been drafted, a public hearing will be announced for public input.

In other business, council announced that applications for individuals to run the concession stand at Lake Michigan Beach will be accepted until

Friday, May 8. The only application submitted so far is from Carlson, who disclosed the matter during the meeting to avoid any potential for perceived conflict of interest.

Council also announced the construction on the trout stream in East Park should be completed within a week's time.

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Science is worthy of our trust

I don't like to rant, but when I do it is most likely to be about the misunderstanding or misuse of science.

I had thought, as many do, that the reluctance on the part of political or religious leaders to accept the truths that science offers was due to a lack of education or understanding.

I may be wrong. Psychologists are increasingly convinced that many humans reject science because they don't trust what scientists tell them.



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

An essay in the May issue of Natural History magazine has helped to clarify my thinking and reduce my ranting.

I was trained as a scientist and spent much of my professional life doing science in addition to teaching it.

Most scientists are narrowly trained, that's how we identify an expert. I am no exception. I spent seven years at Michigan State University learning everything I could about plants, their growth, nutrition, evolution, diseases and more.

I spent 30 years at Luther College in Iowa continuing to learn all I could about plants. If I do say so myself: I am a pretty reliable source of information about plants. I have come to expect that people will trust what I tell them about plants.

In unrelated areas of science, like nuclear physics, human diseases, or climatology

my expertise is very limited, and I am no more trustworthy than anyone else.

When I listen to someone who has spent most of a lifetime studying nuclear physics or human diseases or climatology, I expect their ideas in those areas of expertise to be trustworthy.

I am more likely to trust someone who is actually doing science—that is, collecting reliable information and trying to understand it—than someone who is merely commenting on science done by others. If we are going to trust scientists, we should try to be certain that they are actually well versed in the subject they are talking about. Having a Ph.D. in botanical science does not make one a trustworthy commentator on nuclear physics.

My personal experience of scientists has been that they are usually reliable sources of information in their area of expertise. Just like any other group of people, there are scientists who are charlatans or at least unreliable.

But, since science is a collective effort, other experts in the same area of knowledge serve as a control on the occasional renegade.

According to psychologists, we are most likely to trust those who have authority and power. Thus the statements of an elected president are likely to carry more weight for many than the statements of any number of reliable scientists.

The statements of the Pope are likely to carry more weight than hundreds of physicians. We depend for our well-being and even our survival on the information and ideas that science has provided, from how to combat a flu epidemic to which antibiotic is best to

combat strep throat. We could learn to be as attentive to the statements from science experts in other areas.

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We could learn to trust it more often.

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WEEKLY POLL

Who needs to concede in the ongoing contract negotiations between the Charlevoix Public Schools administration officials and the teachers' union?

Administration (66 Votes, 69%)
Teachers (52 Votes, 14%)
Both must compromise (66 Votes, 17%)

This week's poll question:
Will swine flu become a global pandemic or fizzle out like SARS and the avian flu?

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LETTERS to the editor

GRATITUDE

Editor:

On behalf of the Fr. Pierre Charlevoix Knights Of Columbus Council 7172 we would like to extend our gratitude to the wonderful people who live in this community who supported our 32nd Annual Cash Raffle Party held Saturday, April 25, 2009 at Castle Farms—one of the most beautiful and well-run banquet facilities in the world!

In the midst of a tremendously challenging economic environment, several hundred people dug deep into their pockets to purchase a ticket to attend what was repeatedly described as the best Cash Party we have ever put on. The new menu options received rave reviews. Our new music format had people dancing from "doors open to doors close", and the party helped all of us forget our financial and employment concerns, celebrate the end of a long and hard winter, and enjoy our friends and acquaintances.

What we, the Knights of Columbus, are especially grateful for is that all of our efforts to host this great event each year helps raise thousands of dollars to allow us to give this money directly back to our community to people and groups who are struggling more than many of us could ever know.

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established several years ago to provide perpetual funding for the community.

From the generosity of the Cash Party (and all of our fundraising events) attendees, we donated money to the Charlevoix Food Pantry; Scouting; 4-H; all area schools for programs, events and to needy students who could not afford to participate in these functions; to help build the Skateboard Park and purchase helmets to protect our youth; to the Mt. McSaubas snowmobile purchase; to the East Park Interactive Fountain; to the Veterans Memorial honoring our fallen heroes, to the Bergmann Center and Charlevoix House, and many needy people a bit down on their luck this year, just to name a few.

This year our proceeds were a little less than prior years, but we are so grateful for the turnout and support from the community, we want to thank everyone for helping us to help others. That is what we do.

Thank you everyone! Steve Seely Council Trustee and Chairperson, Contributions Committee

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most wonderful highway system. We possess extensive viaducts that have in the past been both our state's blood vessels and nervous system. These superlative highways are called the Great Lakes.

During those seasons ending in -ball, my wife and I live in Ann Arbor. Otherwise, having a condo there we can't sell, we stay Up North in Charlevoix. Charlevoix has a few citizens with a retro dream. They've formed a non-profit: SeaPorts Great Lakes. They hope one day to gather sufficient resources to reconstruct the 1850's schooner "Challenge." More can be learned by visiting our web site: www.CharlevoixChallenge.com. The reason its "our" web site is that I'm the group's secretary.

The history of the original Challenge involves its being the fastest sailing ship on the lakes for almost 30 years. Its builder was a 20-something young man from an East Coast shipbuilding family, who traveled West, spurred by his father's demeaning words about biting off a challenge.

The new schooner Challenge will look on the outside much

like its namesake, but inside there is a difference. Our Governor was present last week for ceremonies involving the startup of four storage battery firms in Michigan. Larger sailing vessels carry ballast. Suppose that ballast were batteries storing power created by a generator driven off the ship's propeller; which spins when sailing. The batteries would provide energy that would turn an electric motor attached to the propeller when the wind dropped. Sound far-fetched? Not really. A number of companies are now offering such regenerative power plants, but on much smaller vessels than a multi-masted, 100' schooner. No one as far as we know has done this yet on a larger ship. Schooners have, in the past, grown to be several hundred feet in length, sporting a forest of masts named for all the days of the week. They needn't be tiny.

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Too busy to die, and other non sequiturs

It's been about a goat's age since I wrote a towel, but I've been swamped with the shiny delights of the American dream.

Between fighting with the hot rod, fighting with the kids, fighting with the dogs, dealing with my son's confirmation and planning for both a major family get-together and my wife's upcoming trip to Glacier National Park, I've had just enough time each night to down some butterscotch schnapps, cheap beer and

raspberry Zingers before crying myself to sleep.

Oh, and did I mention I've just started a new diet. OK, so I'm actually restarting the diet. I tend to go in spurts: stewed spinach and yogurt for three days, Busch Light and chili dogs the rest of the week.

Then there's the Gohs-mobile—I'm goin' out of order here, so bear with me—First the damn driver's side door freezes up on me. Then, I finally get the old mufflers off so I can install the really loud Cherry Bombs and karma strikes in the form of the transmission and gas tank simultaneously springing leaks; seriously, did I kick puppies in a former life?

By the way, my 17-year-old brother is now living with us which basically means I now have two angst-ridden,



THE CRYING TOWEL
Benjamin Gohs

horizontally charged, unemployed testosterone machines eating my food and squatting in the rooms upstairs.

Could somebody please tell me how five people use 12 bath towels a day?

Let's not forget that I endured my first ever church service recently which went something like this: Rise; be seated; rise; be seated; rise and sing; be seated; rise; sing; rise; hut, hut, hike!

It was like doing squat-thrusts in football practice but without the coach screaming "You still want seconds on mashed potatoes Mrs. Gohs?" at me between whistle blasts.

And then there's the scurrying. The kids are sitting next to us, then they're gone. Then they're there. Then gone again.

Rise.

Be seated. Sing: "What a friend we have in Jesus."

Rise. Then my daughter skulks by with a seven-foot brass torch straight out of Fahrenheit 451.

For god's sake would someone hide the books! Actually the people at the wife's church were very nice, and, frankly, the only thing out of ordinary was me—there, divorce averted.

For lack of a better segue I'll say I survived the ordeal just so I could face yet another speed bump on Gohs' Easy Street: Prom night.

Luckily for me my daughter is still too young for school dances. She's 13 now which means I've only got about 27 more years before she starts dating.

The boys are another story

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Central Michigan University senior Jennifer Lopez of Charlevoix recently participated in CMU's Alternative Winter Break volunteer program.

Lopez, a Charlevoix High School graduate and daughter of Cindy Perkins and Carlos Lopez, was among more than 120 CMU students who took part in the week of service travel organized by the university's Volunteer Center.

During Alternative Winter Break, 11 teams of CMU students volunteered around the world with organizations that address such social issues as at-risk youth, disaster relief, sexual abuse, hunger and homelessness, terminal illness, care

for the elderly, and civil rights. Lopez was a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House in Houston, Texas, cooking dinners for the children and families staying at the house and spending quality time with the guests. She is majoring in political science and minoring in religion at CMU.

Grand Valley State University Dean's List

Grand Valley State University announces the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the Fall 2008 semester. The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits. The honor is

noted on the students' official records.

Grand Valley is dedicated to providing a rich learning environment for students, offering a wide range of majors and hands-on research opportunities. Highly credentialed and responsive faculty and individual advisors and mentors promote a liberal arts emphasis that teaches students critical thinking and problem solving.

Students honored for the fall semester include:

Bozette City: Kathleen Adkinson, Eli Barsy, Molly Hausler, Sally McKenney, Jenna Raber,

Amy Schneider, Carly Stieber and Trisha Tomkins.

Charlevoix: Bethany Brodin, Andrea Farrell, Aaron Hagen, Sarah Hagen, Tess Hoaglund, Logan Priess, Kyle Smith, Samantha Stebe, Jacob Teuscher, Nathan Triplehorn and Cody Wheat.

East Jordan: Courtney Hammond

Quinnipiac University - Kevin Kusina of Charlevoix was inducted into the Tau Delta chapter of Lambda Pi Eta, the National Communication Association Honor Society, during the 2008-2009 academic

year.

Founded in 1985, Lambda Pi Eta recognizes, encourages, and rewards outstanding undergraduate scholarship in communication studies. Lambda Pi Eta promotes and encourages career development in the communication field and establishes relationships between students and faculty. Membership is granted to students who achieve excellence in scholarship and academic standing. There are over 400 active chapters among colleges throughout the United States.

Albion - Melissa Bailey

demonstrated some outstanding academic work at Albion College's Elkin R. Isaac Research Symposium. Bailey presented a project titled "Shadow on the

Horizon: An Original Poetry Collection" during the two-day celebration of student research, scholarship and creative activity.

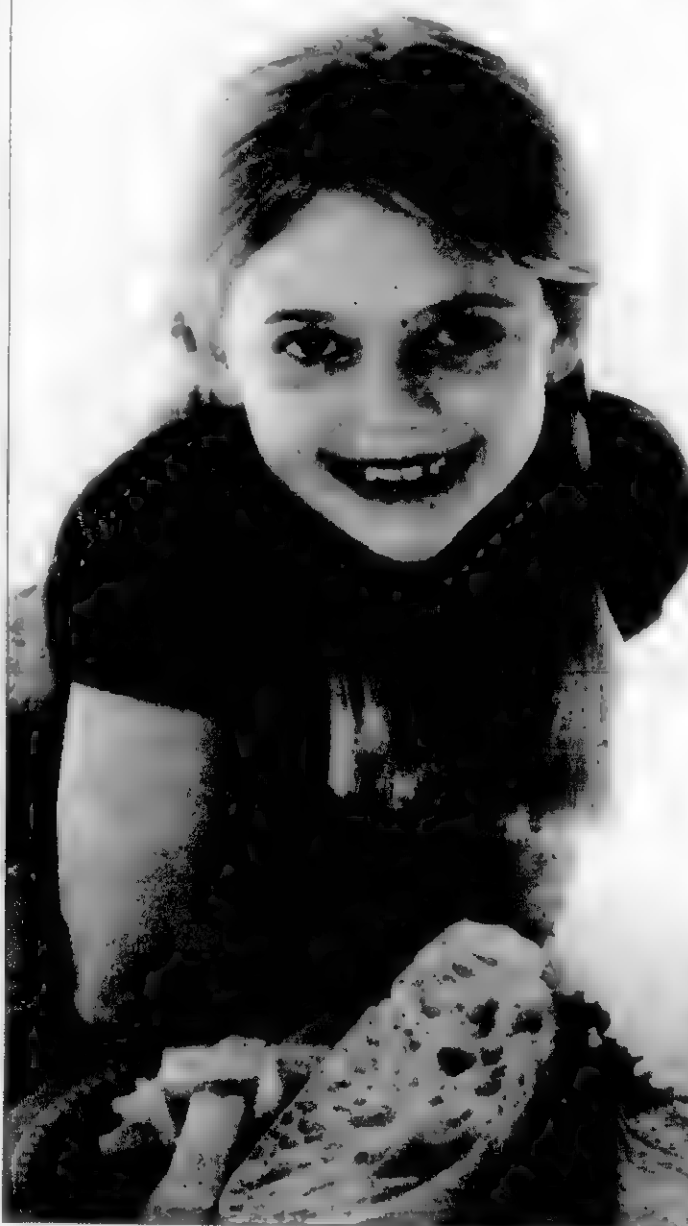
Melissa Bailey is a senior majoring in English with creative writing. She is the daughter of Michael and Jayne Bailey of Beaver Island Comm. High School.

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Seussical the Musical Rayder performers put Seuss to song

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix High School performing arts students will soon put Seuss to song.

The show, called "Seussical the Musical" will take the audience on a colorful journey through the realm of Dr. Seuss characters as the story follows Horton the elephant and is narrated by the Cat in the Hat.

"It's a family show," said Charlevoix High School performing arts teacher and director Danielle Wager. "Compared to a lot of other shows, this has a lot more music."

She added, "It's very fun, very upbeat, very happy. There are a lot of bright colors and a lot of the characters are animals."

More than 25 high school students and five middle school students will fill the roles of the show.

"It's a large casted show and we feel like the connection

between the high school arts and the middle school arts sometimes gets lost on the students," she said. "So, we decided to cast some of the seventh- and eighth-graders."

There will be three performances beginning with the 7 p.m., Friday, May 15 show in the high school's auditorium. There will also be a show at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 16 and 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 17.

Cost is \$5 for students and children; \$7 for adults. Ticket price includes refreshments at intermission.

Wager said the show was chosen democratically from a short list of student-generated ideas.

She said the show is appropriate for all ages.

"This has a little bit of a romance story to it," Wager said. "So, I think it's kind of ageless."

The show has a running time of approximately two hours.

Jenny's choice: A mother's ultimate sacrifice

BY SHELIA DAVIS
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The day Jenny Patrell gave birth to her beautiful son she cried tears of joy, counted every toe and every finger and was overwhelmed by the love she felt.

Not unlike any other parent who is experiencing the new birth of their child, she savored every hiccup, cry and peaceful sleep in those first few hours of life, but Patrell had even more reason to savor these moments.

She was giving her son up for adoption.

"It's really hard at first," she said. "You feel like you shouldn't be able to go on with your life and be happy."

But, Patrell added, "I later had peace of mind that I did what was best for him."

Earlier in her pregnancy she made a decision that would change everything in her life and the life of her newborn son.

Patrell had chosen to take responsibility for her child's future by preparing his life through adoption planning.

She had met with an agency, interviewed several families and decided that all that she wanted for her son was things she was not prepared to give him.

During the last part of her pregnancy as she searched for the right family to build a relationship with and place her son with she realized how prepared adoptive couples are to be parents.

She realized they were planning for a child for sometimes years and wanted to become a family.

She met with several couples before making the selection of the parents that are raising her now 3-year-old son.

During the remainder of her pregnancy they went shopping together, doctor appointments together and Jenny was even at a baby shower for the adoptive mother-to-be.

As Patrell lie there in the hospital bed and holding her newborn she suddenly had a change of mind. There was so much more emotion involved in seeing and holding

him then she could have prepared herself for.

She also thought about the parents she had grown to love that had prepared their home for this baby.

She took several hours to pray about what to do and think about how she would parent.

Before she left the hospital she came to the realization that she had already made the best decision for him through the adoption plan and continued that.

Patrell said the fact that the prospective adopting parents could not have children was important to her placing her son with them.

"It's not life-ending, but rather life-changing," Patrell said.

Adoption has become so prevalent that Birthmother's Day, celebrated the Saturday before Mother's Day each year since 1990, is now a day for birth mothers to celebrate their birthmotherhood.

Now Patrell and her husband have a 10-month-old son. She and the parents of her first-born son have re-

mained in contact by sharing e-mails, phone calls and pictures.

Patrell and her husband and new son are planning a trip to New York, where the adopting family lives, so the boys can meet each other.

The experience was integral in Patrell's decision to work in counseling and adoption.

"Getting people to learn more about adoption is something I really want to do," she said. "What the media portrays about adoption is a lot different than what it's like in real life."

Patrell is now working with Heaven Sent Adoption Services of Charlevoix to develop a monthly gathering for women who have made adoption plans for their children and for those considering adoption that would like to learn more.

Contact Shelia Davis at Heaven Sent by calling 237-9880 or toll free at (877) 583-0990 for more information on adoption support, services and Birthmother's Day observances.

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MS Excel Basics
Thursdays May 14 & 21 @ 6:00 - 7:30 pm
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Literary Delights
Saturday, May 16 11:00 - 2:00 pm
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Sue DeYoung 5K

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Be a part of this great Charlevoix County Event as a walker or runner. Bring friends, family members, co-workers or get a team together and collect over \$25 of pledges and receive a commemorative t-shirt. Why participate? You can be part of the cure and help Charlevoix county residents. Monies raised go to the Circle of Strength Foundation to provide mammograms for women in need and to the Health Department for the free cervical cancer screening program in Charlevoix County.

Registration begins in East Park in Charlevoix at 9 a.m., May 9, 2009. The 5K Walk and Run begins at 10 a.m. Pledge forms are available

at area Chambers, schools, libraries and fitness centers, or on line at suedeyoungjudyedgerwalk.nexo.com.

Questions? Contact Kendal Hayes at (231) 675-0591. Here doves are released at the beginning of last year's event.

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Petunia planting? Summer must be coming

MAGGIE PETERSON
GRAPHIC EDITOR

Operation Petunia is a Charlevoix institution coming back for its 28th year.

"It really is just a community staple. It's one of those events where you have people my age and older and younger that have been planting for most of their lives," said Keep Charlevoix Beautiful committee president Erin Bemis.

The event kicks off at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 21.

The location is anywhere on a more than five-mile stretch of U.S. 31, which stretches from Harbor Industries at the south end to Mercer Boulevard at the north end.

About 1,500 flats of petunias have been ordered in many colors, and those interested in helping plant them are encouraged to bring a trowel or spoon for the planting.

The event is a quick one, usually taking less than an hour, Bemis noted. Traffic will be brought down to one lane in both directions beginning in the afternoon.

New this year are additional hanging petunia baskets for the promenade in East Park, bringing the total basket count to 90 throughout the downtown.

Once the petunias are in the ground, block captains in neon T-shirts will hand out meal tickets for the picnic, which also include coupons for items from local merchants.

On the menu for the picnic in East Park are hot dogs, chips, cookies and beverages, accompanied by music from the Northwest Academy and Charlevoix High School bands.

Lining the streets of Charlevoix with petunias was the vision of Charlevoix resident Dale Boss in 1982. That same year, funds were raised and the beds for the flowers were created.

What started with 600 flats of petunias has more than doubled to today's count of 1,500. It takes three hours and 15 minutes a day to water the plants, totaling 17,000 gallons of water per week on average, Bemis said.

She added that the petunias have become a piece of community pride.

"It's an amazing project of an amazing group of people in an amazing community," she noted.

For more information, call the Charlevoix chamber at 547-2101 or visit www.keepcharlevoixbeautiful.org.

Maggie Peterson can be reached via e-mail at mpterson@petoskeynews.com.

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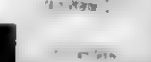
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Officials ready for swine flu

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sick like the 1918 strain which resulted in many deaths."

The CDC recommends people with flu symptoms stay home for seven days; or 24 hours after their symptoms have ended.

Be sure to wash your hands regularly with soap and water or alcohol-based waterless cleanser.

Do not touch your face while out in public as this virus can infiltrate through mucous membranes like your eyes, nose and mouth.

Isolate yourself from the rest of your family if you have flu-like symptoms.

Drink plenty of fluids to prevent dehydration.

Be sure to cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.

According to the Michigan Department of Agriculture the virus is not affecting pigs in America and that you cannot get sick from eating cooked pork.

The CDC has begun shipping stocks of prescription-strength anti-viral medicine like Tamiflu around the country in the event that it is needed.

"We have good stocks of Tamiflu and we haven't had to use any," Withers said. "This is something we've been preparing for for years, since SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, 2003), because experts have been telling us that another influenza pandemic is going to happen—the only question is where and when?"

Superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools Chet Janik said the most important thing parents can do to help prevent the spread of influenza is to keep their sick children home from school.

"We are not aware of any cases, but our custodians are taking extra precautions by disinfecting our buildings," he said. "We're trying to be proactive at this point and monitor it as I'm sure other districts are."

While the United States government has not instated any restrictions on travel, the CDC recommends visiting affected areas such as Mexico for "essential purposes only."

For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/swineflu.

Cases reported

According to the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 45 probable cases of H1N1 or swine flu have been reported in the following counties:

- Allegan County – 1 probable case
- Kent County – 18 probable cases
- Livingston County – 4 probable cases
- Macomb County – 6 probable cases
- Muskegon County – 1 probable case
- Ottawa County – 13 probable cases
- Wayne County – 2 probable case

Pills up, coke down

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and highest incidences of both complaints and arrests with 40 and 43 respectively.

Chippewa was in the number one slot with 53 complaints and 54 arrests.

Kelly said factors such as pressure from pharmaceutical groups on doctors to prescribe medication, rampant incorrect self-diagnosis of diseases and conditions and poor role modeling by parents has helped catapult the misuse of medication to the forefront of the drug war.

In addition to Kelly's counseling and education services, Jarema's office has allocated funds to help parents buy home drug testing kits.

"The drug problem is not going away. It takes the whole community to be cognizant of where their medicine is kept and what are the symptoms of someone on drugs," Jarema said. "Look up your prescriptions if you have painkillers. If you suspect your child is using, have them take a drug test."



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Mother's Day gift

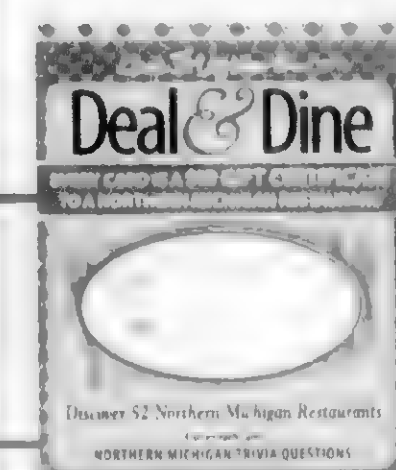
Army Sergeant Country Middleton is coming home to Charlevoix after 14 months at Bagram Air Force base in Afghanistan. His mother said it will be the greatest Mother's Day gift she has ever received.

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Middle-schoolers become medical detectives

Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 are invited to explore their futures in an exciting health care career. During the hands-on, three-day workshop MCSI: Medical Career Scene Investigation.

MCSI will be held June 23-25 and is coordinated by Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District, Northern Michigan Regional Hospital, Charlevoix Area Hospital, Northwest Michigan WORKS!, and North Central Michigan College. Interactive sessions are held at the college and both hospitals.

Health careers that will be ex-

plored this year include:

Nursing, ER, ICU, CVU - Deciphering the Language of Nursing. Students in this session will discover the many opportunities available in the nursing profession - from medical records to tubes and medications.

Pathologist: The Real Investigators. Here, students will learn about a pathologist, who is a physician who specializes in diagnosing diseases by looking at tissue samples under a microscope. To better understand the internal workings of the human body, MCSI campers will be dis-

secting a fetal pig.

Phlebotomy: Vampires in the World of Medicine. In this session, students will discover how important blood is in diagnosing and treating the sick and injured.

Radiology/X-Ray: See Inside the Body. Students will learn how the emergency physician uses high-tech imaging services to solve a medical mystery.

SIM Man: Who Loves to have Visitors! MCSI campers will feel the excitement of a health care career when they visit the SIM Man (simulated mannequin) patient and have an opportunity to

listen to heart, lung and bowel sounds, draw blood from the mannequin's arm, and give an injection.

Surgical Technician: Scalpels, Masks, Tape, Suction and Staples. Students who like to play patients in a remote setting. "Operation" may want to choose this session. Here, they'll learn how to be the hands beside the surgeon.

Wilderness EMS: Sirens, Gurneys and Flashing Lights. This career exploration is for students who want to work for an emergency care service, ski patrol, or as a professional search and

rescue crew member. Students will learn the latest wilderness medicine practices including how to treat, stabilize, provide care, and make appropriate evacuation decisions for patients in a remote setting.

EMT/Paramedic - What Happens to a Patient Before the ER? Here, participants will learn the large role EMTs and paramedics make in stabilizing and caring for patients as they're rushed to an emergency department.

MCSI is available to students within the service area of Char-Em ISD including Charlevoix,

Emmet and northern Antrim counties. The registration fee of \$25 covers all workshop materials. Students also receive a surgical scrub shirt with the MCSI logo, continental breakfast and lunch during all sessions. They must provide their own transportation to NCMC. Seating is limited to the first 30 registrations. A pamphlet and registration form can be found at www.char-emisd.org, or call Patti Gabos at Char-Em ISD at (231) 582-8070 for more information or to receive a copy of the registration form.

15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial Jam

The 15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial fund Benefit will be from 1 p.m. to midnight on May 17 at the Gold Nugget in Ellsworth.

Roloff was a talented local guitarist. He won the Hot Licks contest in 1991 and had the honor of opening for Foghat/Nazareth in Traverse City on May 2, 1993. Two weeks later he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and died on May 6, 1994.

Bryan was a very devoted young man who loved his family, friends and music. This benefit is an annual event to celebrate his life, music and his spirit while helping others with medical needs.

The afternoon event will feature the following bands: Mox (The Push), Audio Circus, Charlie's Root Fusion, Jellyroll Blues Band, Bare Bones, Nancy's Fury, Lizzy's Ax-plu3, more to

be announced. Doors open at 1 p.m. Bands start at 2 p.m. until midnight. \$10 cover charge includes food. Must be 21 years of age. 50/50 drawings - Door Prizes - Silent Auction from 5 to 7 p.m.

All proceeds go to "The Bryan Roloff Memorial Medical Fund at The Charlevoix State Bank. For further information, call Shirley Roloff at 547-6169.



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Master musicians

The Charlevoix Middle School seventh- and eighth-grade solo and ensemble band students each won a medal during recent competition. Students who earned a first degree medal included Brandon Arp, Hannah Forth, Danielle Schmidt, Logan Echardt and Tristan Rudolph. Students who earned a second degree medal included Jennifer Archy and Alexis Knox.



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Purchase plants, get gardening

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club will host its annual plant sale from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 23 at 807 East Dixon Ave. Featured in this year's sale are hundreds of locally grown perennials, some potted annuals, ferns, daylilies, garden gloves and towels. Proceeds from the sale are used to fund maintenance and planting at the 11 civic gardens that are funded by the Charlevoix Area Garden Club.



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Little green thumbs

Children from the Charlevoix Children's House plant a flowering crabapple tree donated by Pine Hill Nursery in Kewadin on Arbor Day. The children were also given white pine seedlings to take home and plant to commemorate the day. Pictured (from left) Sydney Page, Jillian Romano, Hudson Vollmer, Maya Whitley, Lauren Shepard, Olivia Vollmer, Morgan Mann and Taylor Chase.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix boys, girls sweep at Bellarie Invitational

It was a clean Rayder sweep on the track Monday, April 27.

Both Charlevoix teams earned victories at the 10-team Bellarie Invitational, as the Rayders boys won by 66.5 points over second-place Onaway, while Charlevoix girls slipped past Inland Lakes, 130.5-114.5.

The Inland Lakes boys placed fifth with 42 points, while Ellsworth was sixth with 37, and Pellston placed seventh with 33. In the girls' meet, Ellsworth, 32, was eighth; while Pellston was ninth with 28.

For the Charlevoix boys, Eric Buday won two events, the 1600-meter run in 4 minutes, 32.80 seconds; and the 800, 2:08.50; while Mat Golovich took first in the pole vault at 11 feet; and Bill Ivan won the shot put, 42.10 1/4.

The Rayders also won the 800 relay in 1:32.20, as well as claimed a pair of coed relay events, the 3200, 9:43.30, and the 1600, 4:04.80.

The Charlevoix girls won three events, including two relays. The Rayders' Madeline Jeakle was first in the high jump, 4-9; while Ellise Smolenyak, Alyssa Smith, Taylor Storm and Chantel Novotny teamed up to win the 800 relay in 1:53.40; and Kari Smolenyak, Sherry Boss, Sara Wilkinson and Kathryn Sell combined to win the 400 relay in 55.11.

For Inland Lakes, Becky Rotter won the 400 in 1:03.72; Breanna Ohlert took first in the pole vault with a school record vault of 9-6; Megan Bruniquel won the 100 hurdles, 17.10; and Rebecca Hair won the discus at 92-7 1/2.

The Pellston boys won the

400 relay in 49.08, while Ashton Fisher of Ellsworth won the 3200, 10:32.17.

Following are meet results with winning time, height or distance and area placers. Legend: Charlevoix, CX; Onaway, O; Forest Area, FA; Bellarie, B; Inland Lakes, IL; Ellsworth, E; Pellston, P; Central Lake, CL; Mancelona, M; Grand Traverse Academy, GT.

Girls

Team scores: Charlevoix, 130.5; Inland Lakes, 114.5; Bellarie, 79; Central Lake, 64; Grand Traverse Academy, 63; Onaway, 58; Forest Area, 53; Mancelona, 35; Ellsworth, 32; Pellston, 28; Mancelona, 3.

100-meter hurdles: 1-Megan Bruniquel, IL, 17.10; 3-Megan Jackson, P.

300 hurdles: 1-Katie Johnson, FA, 51.89; 2-Bruniquel, IL, 4-Emily Piellusch, E; 5-Makenzi Kage, CX; 6-Tanya Wynkoop, CX.

100: 1-Marissa Ingersoll, FA, 13.19; 4-Traci Powers, IL; 5-Nakita Brasseur, IL.

200: 1-Rachel Zeppa, GT, 27.56; 3-Rotter, IL; 4-Chantel Novotny, CX; 5-Karrine Smolenyak, CX.

400: 1-Becky Rotter, IL, 1:03.72; 3-Ellise Smolenyak, CX; 4-Abby Budrik, P; 5-Brasseur, IL.

800: 1-Sarah Lombert, CL, 2:40.40; 2-Taylor Hartley, E; 3-Krista Pischner, CX.

1600: 1-Emily Kwekel, B, 5:50.30; 2-Molly Jeakle, CX; 5-Annie Dupert, CX.

3200: 1-Kwekel, B, 12:52.50; 3-Amanda Monthei, IL; 4-Lindsey Fisher, E.

400 relay: 1-Charlevoix (Karrine Smolenyak, Sherry Boss, Sara Wilkinson, Kathryn Sell), 55.11; 2-Inland Lakes (Bruniquel, Brasseur,

Rotter, Traci Powers); 4-Pellston.

800 relay: 1-Charlevoix (Ellise Smolenyak, Alyssa Smith, Taylor Storm, Chantel Novotny), 1:53.40; 3-Pellston; 5-Inland Lakes; 6-Ellsworth (Norma Oviedo, Savannah Karhoff, Mikayla Thorman, Chelsea Randall).

High jump: 1-Madeline Jeakle, CX, 4-9; 4-Brasseur, IL; 6-Kara Pavlism, P.

Pole vault: 1-Breanna Ohlert, IL, 9-6; 2-Shauna Spencley, CX; 3-Alyssa Belfy, CX; 6-Andrew Rizzo, CX.

Shot put: 1-Jasmine Hines, CL, 39-6 1/4.

Discus: 1-Rebecca Hair, IL, 92-7 1/2; 5-Nataleigh Mussor, CX; 6-Bonnie Brade, IL.

Long jump: 1-Stephanie Horning, GT, 13-5 1/2; 2-Sara Wilkinson, CX; 3-tie) Shaquice Multany, IL; Taylor Storm, CX; 5-Marka Bach, IL.

Boys

Team scores: Charlevoix 178.5; Onaway, 112; Forest Area, 101.5; Bellarie, 92; Inland Lakes, 42; Ellsworth, 37; Pellston, 33; Central Lake, 29; Mancelona, 25; Grand Traverse Academy, 10.

110 hurdles: 1-Bryan Tucker, O, 16.44; 3-Casey Helstrom, CX; 5-Caleb Dragowski, IL.

300 hurdles: 1-Tucker, O, 42.78; 2-Helstrom, CX; 4-Matt Golovich, CX.

100: 1-Ethan Murray, B, 11.46; 3-Justin Flowers, IL; 4-Ace Edick, CX; 5-Jake Sy Dow, P; 6-Jake McLean, CX.

200: 1-Murray, B, 23.63; 2-Flowers, IL; 3-Edick, CX; 6-Sydow, P.

400: 1-Murray, B, 52.44; 3-Andrew Plude, CX; 4-Will Larson, CX.

800: 1-Eric Buday, CX.

2-08.50; 4-Kirk Acharya, CX; 6-Alan Huyck, P.

1600: 1-Eric Buday, CX, 4:32.80; 2-Ashton Fisher, E; 5-Heath Welch, P.

400 relay: 1-Pellston, 49.08; 4-Charlevoix.

800 relay: 1-Charlevoix, 1:38.23; 2-Inland Lakes (Stephan Dragicevic, Justin Flowers, Greg Hill, Chris Pierson); 5-Pellston.

3200 run: 1-Fisher, E, 10:32.17; 3-Acharya, CX; 4-Vinny VonLou, CX.

Long jump: 1-Murray, B, 19-6 1/2; 2-Golovich, CX; 6-Jim Storey, E.

High jump: 1-Jan O'Bradovich, O, 6-0; 2-Golovich, CX; 3-Plude, CX; 4-Brian Shuttler, CX.

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COURTESY PHOTO
Harbor Springs junior Andi Shepard (12) and Charlevoix junior Madison Way chase after a free ball during Thursday's Lake Michigan Conference match at Charlevoix High School. Way scored two goals as the Rayders defeated the Rams, 3-0.

Charlevoix soccer remains unbeaten

CHARLEVOIX — Junior Madison Way scored two first half goals as Charlevoix shut out Harbor Springs, 3-0, in its home opener Thursday.

Olivia Catt also scored while KC McCarty and Caroline

Dupuis each had an assist as Charlevoix improved to 2-0 both overall and in the league. Tammy Potter earned the shutout in goal, while Meredith Rich, Marnie Greene and Hannah Doan were lauded for their

defensive efforts.

"For our first time on our home field, it was nice to get the win," Charlevoix coach Carol Madison said. "Our defensive line did a good job of keeping Harbor out of our end."

PREP SOCCER CHARLEVOIX 5, EAST JORDAN 0

CHARLEVOIX — Taylor Smith scored two goals Thursday, April 30 as Charlevoix rolled past East Jordan in a Lake Michigan Conference match.

The Rayders, ranked eighth in the Division IV state coaches poll, improved to 7-2-1 overall, 6-1 league.

Olivia Catt, Bridget Peters and Hallie Bills also scored, while Catt picked up two assists, and KC McCarty, Peters and Hannah Doan had one each.

Tammy Potter posted the shutout in goal. Rachel Boss and Doan were Charlevoix's defensive standouts, coach Carol Madison said.

East Jordan goalkeeper Maribeth Poindexter made 38 saves, while Trista Karl-

skin and Shenya Argetsinger were the Red Devils' defensive standouts.

"I was very pleased with the ladies tonight," East Jordan coach Peter Elliott said. "They worked hard all evening and improved on our last game with Charlevoix. We faced a strong team and they gave their best and can walk away satisfied with their job."

PREP ROUNDUP ELK RAPIDS 4-2, CHARLEVOIX 1-1

ELK RAPIDS — Troy Huhta's none-out bases-loaded single in the bottom of the sixth inning broke a 1-1 tie in the second game as Elk Rapids completed the Lake Michigan Conference sweep of the Rayders Thursday, April 30.

Charlevoix left 10 runners on, including eight in scoring position, in dropping the

nightcap.

Michael Heckendorn had two hits and an RBI for Charlevoix, while Bill Ivan added a pair of hits, Alex Foster doubled and Coby Herriman singled.

Clayton Mitchell took the loss. He allowed three hits, walked two and struck out three. Ryan Forfinski earned the victory.

In the opener, Charlevoix trailed 4-1 in its final at-bat and loaded the bases with one out, but couldn't get the big hit.

Foster allowed four hits, walked two and struck out three in taking the loss.

Mitchell and Isaac Klooster each singled for the Rayders. Klooster drove in the Rayders' lone run with a bases-loaded walk.

Charlevoix is 2-12 overall, 1-8 league; Elk Rapids is 5-9, 3-5.

Charlevoix falls to Elk Rapids, Boyne City rolls in girls' soccer

Another tough opponent, and unfortunately for the Charlevoix High School girls' soccer team, another one-goal loss.

Lake Michigan Conference-leading Elk Rapids scored the lone goal of the game 17 minutes into the first half and made it stand up for a 1-0 victory over the Rayders Monday, April 27.

Olivia Morrison scored the goal as Elk Rapids improved to 8-0-1 overall, 7-0 league. Chelsea Peters had the assist. Maggie Marshall posted the shutout

in goal.

Charlevoix, coming off a 1-0 non-league loss to Petoskey, fell to 6-2-1 overall, 6-1 league.

"We just couldn't seem to finish," Charlevoix coach Carol Madison said. "Individually, we played well, but we didn't seem to play together. Our passing seemed to be a bit off."

The Rayders nearly took an early lead as an Abby Barnes shot rang off the crossbar just five minutes in.

"If that shot would've went in,

it could've changed the momentum of the game," Madison said. "We played them scoreless the entire second half."

Charlevoix outshot the Elks, 9-6. Tammy Potter finished with five saves in goal for the Rayders, who were playing without center back Meredith Rich.

Charlevoix won the JV game, 1-0, as Jane Balasz scored the lone goal of the game. Lauren Bartling earned the shutout in goal.



COURTESY PHOTO
Pictured are ISD AmeriCorps member Savannah Zednick (center back) posing with Lincoln Elementary students looking forward to attending the AmeriCorps' Spring Into Action event where they'll learn about healthy food and exercise choices. Students include (front, center) Hannah Morey, and (standing from left) Collin DeVries, Tomas Mora, Lauren Gaskill, Kiana Wodek, and Kristin Coats.

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health activities.

As part of AmeriCorps Week celebrations, the ISD team of nine AmeriCorps members selected hosting and organizing the free event to give back to students, their families, and area schools. As children spend more time sitting in front of the TV or computer, they are spending less time outside and

engaging in physical activity. This can lead to obesity, diabetes and other illnesses related to being overweight. At Spring Into Action, students will be invited to participate in three activities throughout the day. Activities include basketball, football, golf, hockey, La Crosse, martial arts, Pi

lates, running, soccer, softball, swimming, volleyball, yoga, and Zumba. Mid-day, students will take a break – and enjoy eating – nutritional snacks. The MSU Extension Service will speak to pupils about making healthy snack choices. Students will also receive a T-shirt and a bag full of information about healthy eating and fitness. Volunteers are still

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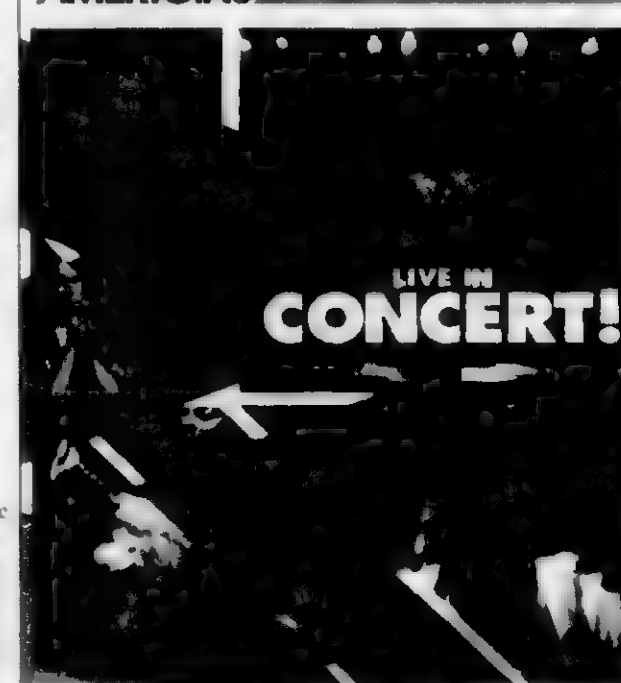
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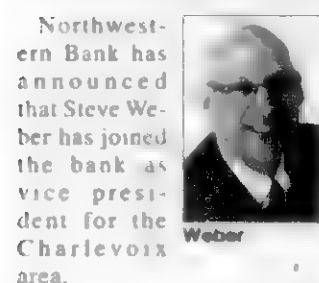
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Northwestern Bank names Charlevoix vice president



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Northwestern Bank has announced that Steve Weber has joined the bank as vice president for the Charlevoix area. Steve has more than 30 years experience in the financial services industry including an extensive background in commercial lending. Before joining Northwestern he served as vice president/community banker for another financial institution in Petoskey.

A longtime northern Michigan resident, Steve sits on the board of trustees for Charlevoix Area Hospital and has actively served the community as a member of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and other organizations. He is a graduate of Eastern Illinois University.

Northwestern vice president Dave Taylor, the former manager of the Charlevoix office, has joined the bank's business development team in the Emmet County area. Northwestern has recently announced plans for an additional Emmet County office, scheduled to open next month in downtown Harbor Springs.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jennifer L. Beers

and Douglas S. Beers, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to The Bank of Michigan, a Corporation, Mortgage, dated May 6, 2006, and recorded on May 16, 2006 in Liber 746 on Page 856, and assigned by said Mortgage to Dollar Bank, F.S.B., its successors and assigns as assignee, as documented by an assignment, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Eight And 21/100 Dollars (\$73,328.21), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on May 22, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 107, Plat of Springbrook Hills No. 2 Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 271 through 273, Charlevoix County Records.

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lorie Trauben, a married woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 30, 2003, and recorded on November 8, 2003 in Liber 583 on Page 457, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Four Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Eight And 36/100 Dollars (\$438,468.36), including interest at 5.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 5, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 72, Charlevoix County Club Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 347, Pages 158 through 174, Charlevoix County Records, and amendments thereto, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 62, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 6, 2009

For more information, please call FC X 248 593 1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Service
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
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(L-5/06, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27)

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Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey P. Trauben and Lorie Trauben (Mortgagors) to Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, having its principal office at 111 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 (Mortgagee), which mortgage was executed by Jeffrey P. Trauben and Lorie Trauben in favor of Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, dated

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February 25, 2000 and recorded March 1, 2000 in the Register of Deeds of Charlevoix County, Michigan in Liber 383 at Page 400, securing the original principal amount of \$501,206.00. By reason of such default, the undersigned elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of said Mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on said Mortgage the sum of \$354,782.47, said interest accruing at the rate of \$36.41669 per day. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount, with interest, as provided in said Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue at the Courthouse in Charlevoix County, Michigan to the highest bidder, on May 8, 2009 at 11:00am o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by said Mortgage are situated in the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, and are described as follows:

Unit 6, C & O Club Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 338, Pages 277 through 346, Charlevoix County Records and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 64, which has been amended in First Amendment to Master Deed as recorded in Liber 340, Pages 686 through 696, Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 355, Pages 365 through 378, and Third Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 359, Pages 619 through 634, and Fourth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 365, Pages 901 through 906, and Fifth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 379, Pages 346 through 348, and Sixth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 634, Pages 329 through 338, and Seventh Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 802, Page 581, Charlevoix County Records, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of Public Acts of 1978 as amended.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be 6 months from the date of sale, unless deemed abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 9, 2009

Mortgagee: Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, a Michigan Banking Corporation.

Prepared by and for more information, please call:
Attorneys for Mortgagee:
Jelinek, Bils and Snabes, PLLC
Dennis W. Bils II (P39975)
321 Spring Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Perry R. Gattini, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 8, 2004, and recorded on November 12, 2004 in Liber 649 on Page 648, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five And 49/100 Dollars (\$225,575.49), including interest at 4.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 5, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Pease, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit No. 2, Killy's Point Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 347 on page(s) 933 through 979, including any and all amendments thereto, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 69, together with rights in general common elements and limited general common elements, as set forth in the above Master Deed, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 6, 2009
For more information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ramon B. Lopez aka Ramon R. Lopez and Cynthia E. Lopez, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Charlevoix State Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 11, 2002, and recorded on December 17, 2002 in Liber 505 on Page 578, in Charlevoix County records; Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date



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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on May 22, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5 of Birchwood Ranch Homes, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 231 through 233, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 22, 2009

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Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made August 4, 2005, by Roger W. Goble and Susan M. Goble, Trustees of The Goble Family Living Trust dated 7/10/2002, and Roger W. Goble and Susan M. Goble, husband and wife, as mortgagors, to The Bank of Northern Michigan, and recorded on August 11, 2005, at Liber 698, Page 258, Charlevoix County Records, which mortgage was assigned to The Bank of Northern Michigan Mortgage Company, LLC, by an assignment of mortgage dated August 4, 2005, and recorded on August 11, 2005, at Liber 698, Page 281, Charlevoix County Records, and the entire balance secured by said mortgage having become due and payable by reason of the acceleration provisions contained in said mortgage and the

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promissory note secured thereby; and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid the sum of \$391,762.91; and no legal or equitable proceeding having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by the mortgage; and the power of sale contained in the mortgage having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on Friday, May 15, 2009, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., in the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, in Charlevoix, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, the premises described in the mortgage, situated in the Township of Boyne Valley, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and described as follows:

Unit 165, MOUNTAIN GRAND LODGE CONDOMINIUM, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 402, Pages 982 through Liber 403, Page 55, Inclusive, and First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 421, Page 738, Charlevoix County Records, and Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 571, Page 159, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 112; together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and amendments thereto, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

This sale is for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the mortgage, with annual interest at the rate of 5.50% per year, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including the attorney fees allowed by law and in the mortgage, and any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee subsequent to the date of this notice to protect its interests in the premises.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from date of sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to this law, the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale or 15 days from the date the required notice of abandonment is posted and mailed whichever is later.

Dated: April 7, 2009

The Bank of Northern Michigan

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tors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the decedent or the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Richard L. Heeres, Trustee, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 6, 2009
John P. Terres (P21335)
1101 N. US-31
Petoskey, Michigan 49770
(231) 347-7777

Richard L. Heeres
308 Watkins Lane
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BID PACKAGE NO. T2: Classroom AV Systems:
General scope includes: installation of projectors, interactive whiteboards, sound-field amplification systems, DVD/VCRs and visual display boards.

Accepted Bidders will be required, as a condition precedent to award of Contract, to furnish in the amount of 100% of the contract price, satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond and Certificates of Insurance as required in the Project Manual.

Unless otherwise specifically set forth in Section 00880 of the Project Manual, this Project is subject to state sales and/or use taxes and Bidder is required to include such taxes in its Bid Proposal.

Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after May 4, 2009 at:

Barton Malow Company
26500 American Drive
Southfield, MI 48034
(248) 436-5000

A pre-bid conference and site visit/tour will be held at 2:00 pm on May 11, 2009 at Charlevoix High School located at 05200 Marion Center Rd., Charlevoix, MI. All Bidders are responsible for attendance at the pre-bid conference. Pre-bid conference minutes will be distributed to all who are known by Barton Malow Company to have received contract documents, but the Barton Malow Company, and Owner will not be responsible for providing information to those not attending the pre-bid conference. Information disclosed in the pre-bid conference minutes will be considered part of the Bidding and Contract Documents.

Bid Proposals shall be on forms furnished in the bid documents. Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid Proposals a Bid Security by a qualified surety authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located, and any other information required in the Instructions to Bidders.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, or to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

All Bid Proposals shall be accompanied by the sworn statement in accordance with MCL 380.1267, disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner(s) or any employee of the Bidder and any member of the school board or the superintendent of the school district. Bid Proposals that do not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement shall not be accepted.

The decedent, Marlan Herres, who lived at 615 Petoskey Ave., Apt. #33, Charlevoix, Michigan died December 5, 2008.
You are hereby notified that Richard L. Heeres is the Trustee of the Marlan Herres Living Trust. It is dated December 10, 2001. At this time, no probate administration is contemplated with regard to the above referenced decedent's estate. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the decedent or the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Richard L. Heeres, Trustee, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 6, 2009
John P. Terres (P21335)
1101 N. US-31
Petoskey, Michigan 49770
(231) 347-7777

(8/5/6, 5/13)

2095 PUBLIC NOTICE

Trees, Inc. will be applying herbicide in your area in an effort to control vegetation under Consumers Energy rights of way. The herbicide being used is Tordon K with the active ingredient Picloram. Folliar herbicide being used is Garlon 3A with Tordon 101.
If you have any questions please call Trees, Inc. Sand Lake MI at (616) 636-5100
(L-5/6, 5/13)

A new group of people every day are looking for a deal in the classifieds.

2100 LEGAL NOTICES

BANKRUPTCY CHAPTERS 7 & 13
Get a Fresh Start
Stop Foreclosures
Stop Collection Actions

Attorney Edward Engstrom
Call (231) 547-9950
(We are a debt relief agency)

2090 BIDS WANTED

Official Notice
CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

Charlevoix Public Schools requests Bid Proposals for Bid Package No. T2 - Classroom AV Systems. Bid Proposals will be received at 104 E. St. Mary's Dr., Charlevoix, MI 49720 delivery or mail, to the attention of Scott Mays by 11:00 a.m. local time on May 19, 2009. Bid Proposals will be publicly opened by the Owner; however, the Owner will not open, consider, or accept a Bid Proposal received after the date and time specified.

Proposals must be sealed with Bidder's name on the outside of the envelope and designated as follows:
Sealed Proposal
Charlevoix Public Schools Bid Package No. T2
Bidder's Name, Address, Phone Number

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

CHARLEVOIX EVENTS
Charlevoix Skatepark Opens
at 2: Weekends only through
the 8. Noon to dusk; Summer
runs noon to 9 p.m. daily; Fri-
days 3 p.m. to dusk; A helmet
required. Call 675-4505 for
more information

American Red Cross
Classes
Call (231) 348-7666 or visit
www.americanredcross.org for in-
formation on the American Red
Cross' April classes. Classes
include CPR, First Aid, a safe
presentation and blood-
borne pathogens: Preventing
blood-borne transmission.

Scrapbooking
Scrapbooking will be from
10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the
third Saturday of every month
at the Charlevoix Public Li-
brary.

Health classes
Free classes and lectures be-
gin offered at Harbor Health
and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or
visit your calendar of events
on 110 Clinton St. Donations
accepted for the classes to
Harbor Health and Fitness
purchase an Automated Exter-
nal Defibrillator.

**Charlevoix Order of the
Eastern Star**
Chapter 72 are sending
cards, letters and gifts to mili-
tary service members. If you
could like to help, call Colleen
Ileuski at (231) 675-2273 or
17-1305 to submit your APO
FPO or to donate items of
ed.

**Our First Native Talking
Circle**
Meets at 6:30 p.m., the sec-
ond Monday of every month
at the Freedom House Church
Charlevoix. It is a biblically
based native group that focuses
on culture, music and native
history. All are welcome; do
not have to be native American
attend. The Freedom House
Church is located at 12705 US
1 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-
6666 for more information

Family of Faith Church
Events are located at 203
1st Upright St. in Charlevoix:

Saturday Night Alive
Doors open at 6:30 p.m., ser-
vices at 7 p.m. every Saturday
night. Experience God through
music, drama, video, speakers
and much more at . Call 547-
221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support

Meets 11 a.m. the last Sat-
urday of every month at
Charlevoix Public Library in
Charlevoix. For information,
call Michelle at (231) 237-
0580

BNI
The local chapter of Business
Network International is the
Up North Network and consists
Charlevoix and Emmet county
businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m.
to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the li-
brary. Visitors welcome. Call
Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for
more information.

SAA
Sex Addicts Anonymous
meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays
in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-
4682 for location and infor-
mation.

**CANCER FUNDRAISER
CIRCLE OF STRENGTH**
In addition to their Wednes-
day support group, there is
now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., sec-
ond Tuesdays of each month
support at the Charlevoix Area
Hospital Foundation Build-
ing across the street from the
hospital. This support group
is open for all patients, family
and friends that have been af-
fected by the diagnosis of can-
cer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906
or e-mail circlestrength@cah.
org for more information.

Historical society museum
Winter hours: The side office
door will remain open from 11
a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through
Saturday for those who need
to conduct society business
or make a purchase from the
museum store. The museum is
open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thurs-
days through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's
Fast pitch softball league is
looking for teams and players.
Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or
(231) 536-7943.

Sailing club
A 32-foot sailboat was do-
nated to Northwest Academy
last spring and the school is
now forming a sailing club.
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mation.

United Way Alumni Call
The Char-Em United Way is
looking for United Way Lead-
ership Donors or "Loyal Con-
tributors" of 10 or more years.
If you have United Way ex-
perience or advice to share, call
or e-mail Martha Lancaster,
Char-Em United Way Execu-
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e-mail martha@charemunit-
way.org Char-Em United Way
is planning to hold an infor-
mal meeting in early summer

update them on activities and
plans of the local United Way,
and solicit their advice. Local
United Way leaders are plan-
ning to develop a Loaned Ex-
ecutive program and would like
to incorporate best practices of
other communities

United Way campaign
With only one month before
it makes annual Community
Investment Allocations, Char-
Em United Way announces that
it is nearing 90 percent of its
campaign goal.

The Frey Foundation has
offered an additional \$20,000
challenge grant to United Way
if it meets the campaign goal.
Tax-deductible contributions
to the United Way 2008-2009
Campaign can be mailed to P O
Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770.
Gifts can be made online by
going to www.charemunit-
way.org and selecting "Give."
For more information about
United Way call 487-1006 or e-
mail info@charemunitway.org

LIBRARY EVENTS
Held at the Charlevoix Pub-
lic Library, 220 West Clinton
St. 547-2651
• Story Time is 10:30 a.m.
on Thursdays for all children
birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on
Mondays for all writers.
• Grades five through seven
can play Guitar Hero or DDR
from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each
Friday

NOW THROUGH MAY 8
Art on display
From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily
at the Jordan River Art Cen-
ter, 301 Main St., East Jordan,
there are more than 120 works
of art on display. Call curator
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circle-of-arts.org for pricing,
registration and availability.
• Winter gallery - noon to
4 p.m., Wednesdays through
Saturdays
• Raku Firing Workshop with
Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4
p.m., April 18
• Figure drawing - March 21,
April 18 and May 16

• Call for submissions for
the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
show. Open to two or three di-
mensional artwork or furniture
formed from recycled materials
and artwork with an emphasis
on living lightly on our earth.
Call (231) 373-6033 for more
information.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Girl Scout cookies
Girl Scouts are taking cookie
orders at cookie booth sales
which will be available in lo-
cal stores such as Glen's and
Kmart in Charlevoix from
April 24 to May 31. Cookies
may be ordered from their Web
site www.gscmists.org or call
(866) 566-7434. Cookies sell
for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of
the cookies can also be donated
to the military troops as well
as food pantries in the area.

Troops retain a percentage of
the price of each package to
fund activities such as field
trips and community service
projects planned by the girls
throughout the year. Proceeds
also help the council deliver
programs for the girls, pro-
vide training and materials for
adult volunteers, and maintain
local Girl Scout camps. Girl
Scouts of Michigan Shore to
Shore serves more than 20,000
girls with the support of nearly
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Reduce, Recycle, Reuse It!
At Circle of the Arts Art ob-
jects formed from recycled
materials, emphasis on living
lightly on our earth. Dedicated
to the philanthropic spirit of
Barbara MacArthur.

NOW THROUGH MAY 4
St. Mary School's Spring Art
Show at the school. Public is
welcome to stop in and see the
art created by St. Mary pre-kin-
dergarten through sixth-grade.

MAY 28
The Conservation and Re-
newable Energy (C.A.R.E.)
group is sponsoring a winter
"Cabin Fever" movie series at
the Charlevoix Public Library.
The movies are free, and start
at 7 p.m.
• May 26 - The COOLFUEL
Road trip Series #1 - 16,000
miles around the USA without

ment. This is a great adventure
series with a crazy Australian
named Shaun, his dog Sparky,
and the Coolfuel Crew. They
use Hot Rocks and Veggie Die-
sel to get them through Califor-
nia, play golf off a grass cov-
ered car and go bio-powered
drag racing.

MAY 7
National Day of Prayer
From noon until 1 p.m. in
Charlevoix City Hall Council
Chambers there will be an ob-
servance of the National Day
of Prayer.

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MAY 11
All Republicans and friends
are invited to the annual Lin-
coln Day Dinner with Hors d'
oeuvres at 5:30 p.m., dinner at
7 p.m., May 8 at Boyne Moun-
tain. A candidate for every
state-wide office will attend.
For more information call Tim
Boyko at (231) 237-0000 or
visit www.gopcharlevoix.org.

MAY 12

Food drive
Mailmen will be picking up
food for local food banks on
Saturday May 9. Place a bag
of non-perishable items—no
glass—near your mailbox for
pickup.

ATV course
An ATV course is being held
for 12 year olds up to adults
from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., May
9 at the Boyne Falls Fire De-
partment Station.

Register for this class by vis-
iting www.charlevoixcounty.
org, go to the sheriff's link; fill
out class application; and for-
ward to the Charlevoix Sher-
iff's Office.

MAY 10
Mother's Day vigil for peace
from 1 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. at
the corner of Clinton and Bridge
streets. A procession then to
Hoffman Park for a brief cer-
emony and a reading of Julia
Ward Howe's Mother's Day
proclamation—Howe was one
of the founders of Mother's
Day. Participants may then
walk to the library for refresh-
ment and paper crane folding.

MAY 11
The American Red Cross
Blood Drive
Will be held from noon to

Charlevoix High School stu-
dents will be participating
the Lake Michigan Confer-
ence Arts Showcase at 7 p.m., May
11, at Boyne City High School.
The evening will begin with
visual slide show of student
work that has been produced
at each school. Buy tickets
at the door. Admission for the
event is \$5 per person or \$1
for a family ticket. Doors open
at 6 p.m.

ART SHOW

MAY 11
The Charlevoix Area Gard-
en Club and Charlevoix Ele-
mentary and Middle School
teachers and St. Mary Scho-
lar are co-hosting a reception
2:15 p.m. on May 11 in the
Charlevoix Elementary Scho-
ol Gym in honor of students and
Outstanding Achievement; a
first, second, third place
honorable mention winner
the 2008/2009 Poster Contest
Gardening with a Native Pa-
lette and Smokey Bear "On
You Can Prevent Wildfires";
"Woody Owl Lend a Hand
Care for the Land"

Awards will be presented.
Punch and cookies will be
served to the students and the
families.

NLEA luncheon is from
noon to 1:30 p.m., May 11
the Matterhorn Room in Civ-
Center Boyne Mountain Re-
sort, Boyne Falls. Tickets a
\$20 per person or \$200 per
reserved table of eight. Call
(231) 582-6482 for more infor-
mation.

MAY 12

**Odmark dedication sing-
ing search**

The Odmark Pavilion Con-
mittee is looking for form-
students and friends of Cla-
rence Odmark's to sing in
Community Chorus for the
dedication of the Odmark Pi-
vilion on July 7. Odmark is a
membered for his outstanding
instrumental music progra-
at Charlevoix Public School
but he also directed Charlevoix
High School's Glee Club at
Mixed Chorus, as well as the
choir at the First Congrega-
tional Church for many years.
Rehearsals will begin at 8 p.m.
May 12 in the Charlevoix Mi-
ddle School band room. Call
Ev Wajcik at 547-6376, Steve
Kroll at 547-2074 or Leslie
Cunningham at 547-2145 for
more information.

MAY 14

The American Red Cross
Blood Drive
Will be held from noon to

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

of US 31 North and Meech
Street. Call (800) 448-3543
for an appointment or drop in
ring your ARC donor card or
government photo I.D.

wirl at CTAC
Meet new people, educate
your palate and live up your
hursday evenings with Fla-
vors of Portugal. Swirl mixes
me, music and art at Petos-
ky's Crooked Tree Arts Center.
Each month embraces a differ-
ent seasonal theme and brings
avors from around the world.
Doors open at 6 p.m.; refresh-
ments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are
\$10 in advance and \$12.50 per
person the day of the Swirl, when
available

MAY 16

Angel Food
Angel Food Ministries May
order schedule will be from
10 a.m. to 12 noon on Satur-
day, May 16 at the Charlevoix
Church of the Nazarene and
at 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine
River apartments for residents
only. For further information,
call Bob and Edna Fales at
547-9346 or (810) 304-0375.

REGISTER BY MAY 15

Lisa Softball
The Charlevoix Recreation
Department will offer a recre-
ational league for young girls
looking to learn a variety of
basic skills and the fundamen-
tals of girls fast-pitch softball
this is for girls ages 7, 8, 9 and
10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. begin-
ning June 2 and ending July 2
the City of Charlevoix Ball
fields. There will be local play
only with no travel. Cost is
\$20. Registration deadline is
Friday May 15. Deliver com-
pleted form to Charlevoix Rec-
reation Dept., 210 State Street
irls previously registered at

the Recreation Dept. need not
reapply. This league is intend-
ed to be non-competitive and
provide additional assistance
for players looking to continue
on with the girls division of
fast-pitch Little League.

We need your help. Volun-
teer coaches or assistants are
needed.
For more information, con-
tact Ike Boss at 547-3235 or
Annette Nesburg at 547-5111.

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Literary Delights

Zonta Club hosts their an-
nual Michigan Women Authors
Luncheon. Proceeds for SOS
community girls enrichment
program. This year's event
features Sue Harrison, Amy
L. Young and Julie Frawley.
Purchase tickets, \$40 each, at
Round Lake Book Store or call
547-4109 or contact any Zon-
tarian.

MAY 18

60 Years of Boyne USA!
Learn about the history of the
resort from the people who had
the dream. 7 p.m., Vienna A

Room in the Mountain Grand
Lodge at Boyne Mountain.
Charlevoix County History
Preservation Society, www.
cchps.info.

MAY 23

Softball for men and women
Deadline to sign up for soft-
ball is 5 p.m., May 23. Call
547-3253 for more information
or see Ike Boss in the recre-
ation department, Charlevoix
City Hall.

MAY 25

Memorial Day parade
Charlevoix American Le-
gion Post 226 will again host
the Memorial Day Parade in
Charlevoix. Following is the
schedule of events:
9 a.m. wreath laying cere-
mony at the Flag Pole, Brookside
Cemetery, with the National
Anthem, Lincoln's Address
and Firing Party.
9:30 a.m. marching units as-
semble on East Garfield St.
10 a.m. Parade begins north
on Bridge Street
10:10 a.m. Parade halts to
decorate Veterans Monument
10:15 a.m. Parade turns east
on to Mason Street and ter-
minates at East Park Stage where
ceremonies continue.
Inclement weather location
is Charlevoix Middle School
gymnasium.

MAY 26

DDA Notice
The Charlevoix Downtown
Development Authority did
not meet on Monday, April

27, 2009 at 210 State St., City
Hall, in the city Council Cham-
bers as scheduled.
The next scheduled meeting
of the DDA will be on May 26,
2009. A complete agenda will
be posted prior to the meeting.

MAY 28

Blood drive
10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., May 28
at the Charlevoix Area Hospi-
tal, 14700 Lakeshore Drive.

JUNE 3

Day of Caring
Are you a non-profit agency
with a project you just never
get finished—or started?
Would your business or service
group like to give back to the
community? Are you and your
friends looking for a meaning-
ful day out? Join the Char-Em
United Way for its annual Day
of Caring Kick-off at 12:30
p.m. on June 3 at the library
in Charlevoix. A presentation,
list of projects and lunch are
on tap. Call 547-9203 for more
information.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eye-
glasses year-round for distribu-
tion in third-world countries.
Any Lion will take used glass-
es. Currently used glasses can

be dropped off at Charlevoix
Public Library, Charlevoix
State Bank, optometrist Steve
Voci's office at 103 Clinton St.
and Dr. Reed Freidinger's of-
fice at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Com-
munity Pool Women's Swim
Night will take place from 7:30
to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights.
The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer.
The first time is free. For more
information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks

donations
Bergmann Center Inc. of
Charlevoix is looking for dona-
tions of stained glass scraps of
all colors, shapes and sizes. For
more information, call Gail at
547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of
Charlevoix will pick-up com-
modities in Boyne City on the
first Thursday of every month
and deliver them to home-
bound senior citizens across
Charlevoix County. The num-
ber of boxes of commodities
the center can deliver is lim-
ited. Those interested in the
service should call Marge at
the Charlevoix County Com-

mmission on Aging office at 23
0103

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assem-
bly of God Church offers a food
pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
by appointment only. For mo-
re information or to schedule a
appointment, call the church
office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Fox
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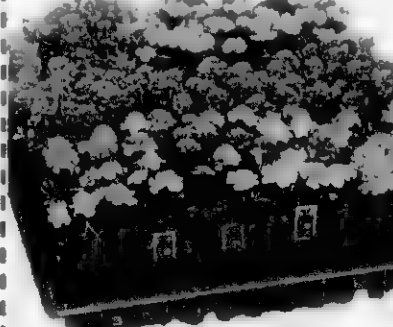
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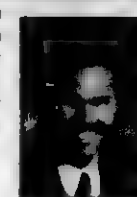
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Young walkers

As young walkers look on Rebecca H. Parker (right) and her daughter, Hero release a flock of doves prior to the start of the 15th annual Sue DeYoung/Judy Edger Memorial Breast Cancer Walk and Run, Saturday in East Park.

G. RANDALL GOSS/NEWS-REVIEW

110 Alien grass sites

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A seemingly harmless grass is devouring wildlife habitat, blocking views and destroying local beaches.

And, say local experts, this invasive species of Phragmites (fray-MY-nee-z) is doing so at an alarming rate.

"We did a survey of the lake-shores in February and March and found ... 110 sites where it had been," said Lake Charlevoix Association vice-president Dan Mishler. "Beaver Island has treated 27 acres over the last two years—this stuff can quickly take over."

He added, "I've heard that even ducks can't get through because it gets so thick. Nothing else in the environment can use

the beach."

The Lake Charlevoix Association is working with the Charlevoix County Conservation District to spearhead the identification and eradication of the grass.

Called the common reed, Phragmites australis is a grass native to Michigan, but its cousin, an invasive Phragmites, tends to grow in wetlands and reach up to 15 feet tall.

The invasive grass is thought to have been brought to America's East Coast in the ballast water of ships in the 1800s.

"It has taken a long time to get here," Mishler said. "But, it's inching its way up—mostly by the roots."

Unlike many plants, which spread through seeds, Phrag-

mites spreads when sections of its roots are fragmented.

In addition to choking out all other plant life, eliminating habitat for birds and other animals, the dense stands of the plant can present a fire hazard when the plants dry in the fall.

One of seven townships which have beaches at risk to the invasive grass, Norwood Township has been working on a plan to fight Phragmites since last fall.

"The ordinance was passed nearly three months ago," said Norwood Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton.

Norwood Township is partnering with St. Mary's Cement and Fisherman's Island State Park on this project. All three

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Vandalism Trial adjourned, motions pending

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The attorney for Austin Wilhelm, the former Charlevoix student charged with vandalism at the high school last May, wants the prosecutor thrown off the case.

According to Wilhelm's defense Mary Beth Kur, the prosecutor not only violated discovery by withholding taped conversations between witnesses and po-

lice, but one witness has claimed intimidation by the prosecutor's office.

"I did not get the taped interviews until six days before trial," Kur said. "It is beyond belief to me."

Kur said when she did finally get the tapes, the conversation between Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema and key witness Jason Faulkner was only partial.

"There is no explanation as to why, except that the tape wasn't on," she said, adding that the missing portion is believed to contain threats to Faulkner that he was under investigation.

Faulkner, an Oregon resident,

testified during the preliminary examination on Feb. 3 that he gave a paint-covered sweatshirt to Wilhelm well before the vandalism at the high school which involved paint being sprayed and splashed inside a modular home built by the Charlevoix High School building and trades class.

Authorities believe some of the paint on the sweatshirt is similar to the paint used in the vandalism, but Faulkner testified that the shirt appeared to be in the same condition as when he gave it to Wilhelm.

There have been several unsuccessful attempts to contact Faulkner to have him return to

Michigan for further testimony.

Jarema would not comment in detail on Kur's move to either have the case dropped or to have a new prosecutor assigned to it, but he did say his office would not drop the charges.

Kur also filed a motion to use Faulkner's original testimony, but Jarema insisted Faulkner must appear in the Charlevoix courtroom.

"I would like to question him about other evidence we have learned since the preliminary exam," Jarema said.

"Among accusations flying back and forth is the prosecutor's belief that Kur instructed Faulkner to avoid questioning

Jarema's written response to Kur's motion to have him disqualified as prosecutor filed in circuit court on May 7 stated,

"As soon as Mr. Faulkner stated he could not/would not speak with the detective unless defense counsel was on the line, although said defense counsel (Kur) doesn't represent him, ... red flags were raised as to whether the witness lied under oath and did so at the behest of defense counsel."

"He's (Jarema) made some pretty outlandish claims that I have told witnesses not to talk to the police and they are completely false," Kur said. "No body wants Jason Faulkner here

more than I do."

Wilhelm's trial was supposed to begin Tuesday, May 12 in Judge Richard Pajtas 33rd Circuit Court, but proceedings have been postponed until all motions have been heard.

A hearing on the defense's motion to dismiss the case or disqualify the prosecutor is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. before Pajtas on Thursday, May 14.

While the focus is temporarily off Wilhelm, he still faces charges of breaking and entering a building with intent, a 10-year felony; and malicious destruction to a building, damage of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, a five-year felony.

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We all have a sense of direction

I just returned from spending a few days attending a conference in the beautiful and ever expanding furniture capital also known as Grand Rapids.



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Genett

Knowing there would be some free time I couldn't wait to take in the sites of the big city.

My first adventure was getting lost in the parking structure.

It was well past midnight and already tired from the three hour drive I mistakenly walked through an exit that led to a construction site and away from the hotel.

Fortunately, with cell phone in hand and the hotel number memorized I contacted the bell hop—do they still call them that anymore?

He guided me in with the likes of a steady handed air traffic controller dealing with a passenger who lost their pilot.

My generous monetary tip inspired his quick smile as he

bantered that he was on until 7 a.m. and pointed to his speed dial number in case I needed help again.

Early the next morning I decided to make a quick trip to the Grand Rapids Public Museum.

I walked in the front door just in time to hear a security guard exclaim, "They're here, they've arrived!" I had entered a minute before a jubilant group of third graders came in for a class trip. I was immediately whisked in with the group like spring chicks and a mother hen guided by a teacher the likes of a border collie.

I smiled at the guard and chaplains. My years of teaching found me automatically putting my finger to my lips to remind the youngsters to be quiet. I became part of their tour and learned what I felt was much more than I would have had I toured it alone.

This wonderful museum was a combination of Greenfield Village and the Chicago Museum of Field and Science. A must see on my next trip down to this area.

The next day I wanted to expand my sites further and quietly explained to the concierge about my ability of getting lost in less time than it takes for him to give me directions. I gave myself the diagnosis of "Dysmappia" hoping it would

create an interest on his part to help me. This wonderful young person arranged for a taxi cab driver to help me with the rest of my journey.

The cab pulled into view and I welled up with the excitement that Lewis and Clark must have experienced as they set forth on their many adventures.

My cabbie said his name was Wilson, but his coffee colored skin, bright smile and heavy accent told me he was probably given another name at birth.

I couldn't help but recall Tom Hanks and his beloved Wilson in the movie "Joe and the Volcano" and felt immediately that Wilson was going to be my new-found friend as well. Wilson drove me to my next destination, the Fredrick Meijer Gardens. Upon my arrival I was met by a volunteer who suggested I take the tram for a complete one hour tour of the sculptures and gardens.

It was a wise choice again as I learned a lot and security was not sent to find me on one of the many winding paths during closing time. While waiting for Wilson to pick me up in front of the gardens I sat and watched the workers and volunteers leave in their cars to return home and I felt envy because they all had a sense of direction.

While there are thousands of flowers to be planted, the whole process happens rather quickly, so be sure to get there at 5 p.m. and secure your spot.

Then, following the community-wide planting, be sure to get your ticket good for a hot-dog, chips, cookies and something to drink down at East Park where the

We were five miles into our journey when we abruptly stopped due to a long line of traffic created by an accident on the expressway. Wilson quickly stuck his arm out the window, made a few taps on his horn and maneuvered us down side streets with the agility and speed of Popeye in "The French Connection."

I viewed parts of the city I would have surely taken in if lost, but I would have felt overwhelmed and scared. Instead I was comforted to know that this man from Haiti could aptly drive the side streets of Grand Rapids that he knew so well.

He had a great sense of direction and we arrived back to the hotel in record time.

When I arrived back to my room there were a number of messages awaiting my return call.

All of the callers needed advice and direction. Not the compass kind but a listening ear that could decipher the best way to handle their difficult situation.

I guided a friend through her medical demise and another through a dilemma with a work related situation.

Later that day while sipping iced tea and basking in the warmth of the beautiful spring day, it was then that I realized I do have a sense of direction.

WEEKLY POLL

Will swine flu become a global pandemic or fizzle out like SARS and the avian flu?

Global pandemic (3 Votes, 8%)

The swifflus (23 Votes, 70%)

Somewhere in between (3 Votes, 23%)

This week's poll question:
Did the state of teacher contract negotiations play much of a role in the school board election?

Yes or No?

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Helping others find their way through life's ups and downs is much more important than knowing which side moss grows on a tree. I realized as long as there are Wilson's in the world to get me to my destination in a physical sense it really was not a handicap but a blessing in disguise. I met volunteers, a concierge and a bell hop, all of whom would not been in my path if I had a better sense of reading a map and understanding direction with Eagle Scout precision.

Many individuals have a weakness whether it is physical, mental, spiritual or emotional; it's recognizing this inadequacy, accepting it and finding the means to get through it that makes living worthwhile. Most of us feel a sense of self worth by helping someone. My new job is to bring joy to others by making them feel useful by their guidance of physically getting me where I need to be and in return I can assist them in the decisions they are faced with in their daily lives. We all have our own sense of direction it's just a matter of how you view it.

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EDITORIAL

Celebrate spring with petunias and hot-dogs

It's that time of year again: Petunia planting time.

Not only does next week's annual celebration of spring, flowers and Charlevoix the Beautiful mark the end of old man winter, but it means summer isn't too far off and with it the resurgence of the local economy.

And now, with East Park

construction completed—word is the trout stream will be finished and ready for the Friday, May 15 dedication ceremony—we have even more to celebrate.

We cannot wait to see all the familiar faces out there planting Charlevoix's favorite flower, but we urge anyone who has never participated to

come on out and plant a flat or two.

This year's festivities begin at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 21.

Just show up anywhere along the five-mile strip of US 31/Bridge Street from Mercer Boulevard on the north side to Harbor Industries on the south side and get to planting.

Nearly 1,500 flats in a rainbow of colors of these familiar flora will be located along the edge of both sides of the road.

While you do not need any special skill to plan, it is helpful to bring a trowel or spoon to speed up the process and save your fingernails.

While there are thousands

of flowers to be planted, the whole process happens rather quickly, so be sure to get there at 5 p.m. and secure your spot.

Then, following the community-wide planting, be sure to get your ticket good for a hot-dog, chips, cookies and something to drink down at East Park where the

Charlevoix High and North-west Academy school bands will serenade picnickers.

So, come on out and see why, for nearly three decades, the annual spring petunia planting party has been a Charlevoix tradition.

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Editor:
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story or two and have a project that corresponds to the story they have just read.

They have taught about Michigan, planting seeds, counting and colors. They have done activities with them indoors and outside. My kids can't wait until they get here. They talk proudly about what they have done and fondly of their partner. I think everyone is having a great time. I year olds to adults. I think this is a wonderful project and I hope

we can do it again next year

This is a benefit to all who participate, myself included. These students are kind, gentle and wonderful young ladies and gentlemen. I am proud to have them in my community and look forward to them coming to our daycare. I am glad Mrs. Rice put it all together. We are very fortunate to have teachers like her in our school rooms and our community. Pauline Young Charlevoix

SAVE THE TREES

Editor:
Are you a person who likes to wake up to the birds singing, or going for a walk in the forest?
I know I do! But what if the birds and the trees were gone? I believe cutting down forests is hurting people and animals. Every day, animal habitats are being destroyed. By taking away their habitats, we are causing animals to become endangered or extinct! We are forcing animals to live in smaller spaces or

polluted areas. Deforestation is also hurting humans. We need trees to help clean our air. Without clean air, we would have to breathe polluted air, and that could make us sick. So besides cutting down forests and clearing land, there are other things we can do to make our cities grow. There are empty buildings in almost every city that are waiting

to be used or reused. Also it costs less money than clearing land and building new buildings. Finally, if we need lumber, then we should plant new trees to replace the ones we cut down. We can work together to keep our forests and clean air and protect our animals.

Amber Way
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Students get artistic

Third-grader Karagan Poole stands off to the right of her paper collage which, when combined with the dozens of similar pieces created by her fellow students, make this enormous patchwork quilt.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

What's happening at the Library this week?

Writers Group
Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm
All writer's welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

Story Time Thursdays @ 10:30 am
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

MS Excel Basics
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Fiber Group
Wednesdays, May 20, 1:00-3:00 pm
This month the fiber group will be discussing embellisher machines. Newcomers are always welcome!

Literary Delights
Saturdays, May 16, 11:00-2:00 pm
Zonta of Charlevoix and the Charlevoix Public Library are proud to once again feature Michigan authors at this lovely luncheon with silent auction. For tickets and more information, contact Linda DeGroot at 547-4109.

Book Talkers
Monday, May 18, 6:00 pm
Luncheon of the Bookish Patriots
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Tuesday, May 19, 6:30-8:00 pm
Ben Muladore, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones Investments will be teaching the fundamental concepts of investing in today's market and advising on potential strategies to help build wealth in turbulent times.

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Saturday, June 27, 10am-5pm
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Hip band seeks cool cats City band diverse, therapeutic and fun

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

They've played parades, East Park, Castle Farms, and while they are as good as they are diverse, they're looking for even more musicians.

So you haven't blown the dust off the old trombone in 40 years, and maybe that tuba has been holding up a corner of the couch—no matter, according to Charlevoix City Band Director Gary Stutzman.

"We'll take people that want to come and play at all skill levels," he said. "We are really wide open: our instrumentation is a full symphonic band with flutes, clarinets, sax, trombones, baritone, percussion."

For more than 100 years the city band has been playing at festivals thanks to the volunteer efforts of local musicians who want little more than to have fun, fellowship and an opportunity to play in front of

a crowd.

"In a section of four tubas, I play fifth chair," joked tuba player Ron Willey. "Whereas my wife is first chair alto sax."

He added, "We've got the total gamut from total professional to rank beginner—it's a nice variety and I've got a lot of friends associated with it."

While some players have been in the band for 40 or 50 years, newcomer Leslie Cunningham was recently encouraged to join.

"My kids got me a flute for my 60th birthday and my first thought was 'damn, I've got to learn how to play,'" she said. "But, it's been great. I am learning new things every day and I am learning that music is a wonderful stress reliever."

Cunningham added that prospective band mates should join because, "It's a great way to stay young and give something back to their community."

Cunningham said she hopes to learn Stars and Stripes Forever on the piccolo.

"Everybody's welcome, no matter what their skill level," she said. "They're only going to get better."

According to trombone player Steve Kroll, getting better sometimes means more than just becoming a better musician.

There is a tremendous sense of accomplishment," said Kroll, who was unsure he'd ever be able to play again after his stroke. "In just a few months, I was able to get my chops (skills) back."

Kroll may be new to the band, but his musical career started nearly 40 years ago while he was stationed in Texas for two years after being drafted into the Vietnam War.

After being a member of the band for an armored division, he taught music in Texas for

several years.

To join the band, simply show up at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday at the Charlevoix Middle School band room.

The Charlevoix City Band's first concert will 8 p.m., June 30 with a patriotic concert to celebrate the Fourth of July. "We don't do auditions,"

Stutzman said. "The band has a place for every level—we don't restrict people from playing, even if they can't play all the music."

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Army Spec. Alexander J. Busman has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

He is the son of Kurtis and Cindy Busman of U.S. Highway 31 S., Charlevoix, Mich., and grandson of Marv and Pat Roskamp of S.E. 95th Court, Summerfield, Fla.

The specialist is a 2007 graduate of Spring Arbor University, Mich.

Michelle Fritsch was recently inducted into the Phi Sigma Iota academic honor society at Colorado College for Excellency in a foreign language. She also received the Colorado College Transitions Fellowship that will fund her proposed service project and internship with 10,000 other girls a supplemental education program in Kaolack, Senegal.

Michelle is a May 2009 graduate of Colorado College.

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Charlevoix Ducks Unlimited held their annual banquet on April 28 at Grey Gables. It was once again a wonderful event that raised funds for Ducks Unlimited to use protecting our wetlands. With every \$250 raised, 1 acre of wetlands is saved.

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Rabbi builds 6,000-mile bridge

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

For a man with such high hopes, he comes off as pretty modest.

Rabbi David Louis is also a bit of a realist: He knows he cannot change the world by himself, but that isn't stopping him from building a bridge between the cultures of Jerusalem and Charlevoix.

"We're not so different," Louis said of Jews, Christians, Muslims and even atheists. "Understandably there are a lot of troubles in Israel, but that impression can also be misleading because inside of Israel, 2.5 million Arabs live ... they just want to make a living and take care of their kids."

He added, "Unfortunately, a small group of people can make a lot of noise."

Now on sabbatical in northern Michigan for at least six months to further study music and lecture at various venues, Louis is focusing on making spiritual and mental connections with as many people as

possible.

"My fantastic aspirations on the high end are to promote world peace through education and music," Louis said. "And that one day there would be one absolutely undivided common church, one god and the unity of all mankind."

Right now, Louis said, he would settle with connecting the youth of Israel with the youth of Charlevoix.

"We're going to try to put together a coffee house where people can play music and read poetry and have bible readings in a positive atmosphere," he said.

Louis hopes to connect the coffee house in Charlevoix with the one his son runs in Israel.

"Right in the heart of Jerusalem, it's a small place of old Jerusalem brick with high ceiling rooms," he said. "It has a good little stage where three or four people can play at one time."

Louis said the younger generations of all denominations

frequent the spot nightly from midnight to 4 a.m.

"They do bible studies and silent prayer," he said. "It's a spiritual place."

Louis, who grew up on Illinois, has lived in Israel for 35 years.

He teaches and lectures on the subject of Jewish philosophy, metaphysics and mysticism called kabbalah.

"The word 'Kabbalah' means 'receiving' in Hebrew," he said. "The science of Kabbalah is based on the fact that god only gives—he doesn't receive. He created the world

out of love, and when man is a receiver, he makes himself opposite of god."

Louis added, "When he (man) becomes a giving person, he becomes closer to god; more similar to god."

Though he misses his home already, Louis said he loves visiting America.

"America is a great country. You've got freedom of religion," he said. "The founding fathers said there would be no persecution for religious beliefs and that we have to respect each other's opinions."

Louis then pulled two

wrinkled sheets of paper from his wallet and began reading Thomas Jefferson's bill for establishing religious freedom in Virginia.

Louise read the entire two pages, and then reread, with emphasis, the following: "No man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship, place, or ministry whatsoever, nor shall be enforced, restrained, molested, or burthened in his body or goods, nor shall otherwise suffer, on account of his religious opinions or belief; but that all men shall be free to

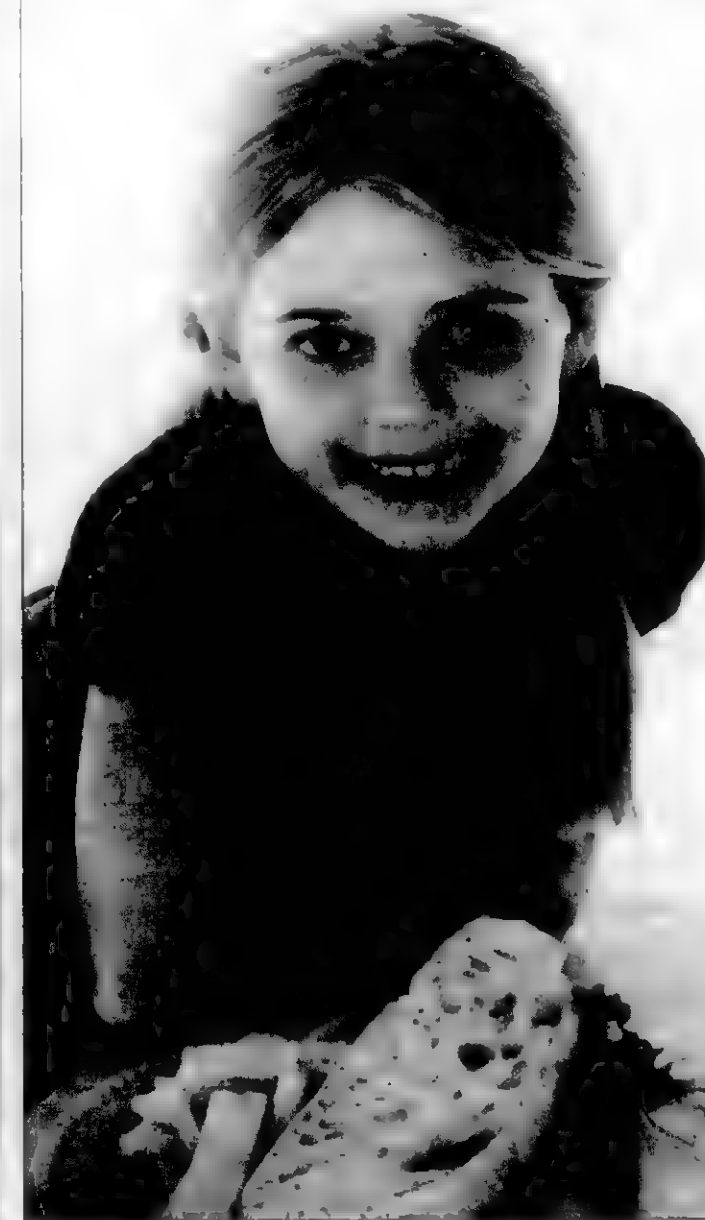
profess, and by argument to maintain, their opinions in matters of religion, and that the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge, or affect their civil capacities."

An avid trumpet and flute player, Louis plans to work on some recording and playing with various bands in between lectures.

To help with the coffee house or to get a schedule of Louis' appearances, call call (231) 459-5101.

Louis will also host a bible study gathering at 7 p.m., Wednesdays, call to RSVP.

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This BMX bike rider came all the way from Cheboygan to enjoy doing tricks and jumps at the Charlevoix Community Skate Park during opening weekend on Saturday, May 2 and 3.

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100-day fitness challenge

Become healthier by being active, doing the things you enjoy, and by participating in the Northern Michigan Community fitness challenge called "Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan" (LGMNM). Increasing physical activity is the goal of LGMNM. This fitness program is for the residents of Charlevoix, and other Northern Michigan counties. There is no cost to join.

Residents of Charlevoix County that are registered in the "Let's Get Moving" program will automatically be entered to win bi-weekly prizes. Visit www.lgmnm.com under Charlevoix County for a list of prize sponsors.

Participants can join individually or as a team. It is a great chance for employers to motivate their employees to become healthier.

"Here at Charlevoix Hospital, our Wellness Committees divides us up into teams. This year, employees will be grouped by department. The physicians will have their own team headed by Dr. Rod Tinney. The nurses are already starting to strategize their team plan. It got pretty competitive

last year, this year promises to be no different. We had a lot of fun with the program and look forward to starting it again." Said Kathy Jacobsen RN and Charlevoix County Coordinator for LGMNM.

The official 100-day fitness challenge begins on May 20 and ends August 27. Research has shown that after 100 days of doing something, it becomes a habit. For detailed information on this challenge, log on to lgmnm.org.

or call the office of Community Health Education at Charlevoix Area Hospital at 231-547-8906.

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Camp Daggett offers eight one-week coed camping sessions starting in June 14 and

ending August 8. Campers range in age from 7 through 14 years. These one-week sessions are offered for \$375 for Charlevoix and Emmet County residents.

For more challenging wilderness excursions for youth 13 to 15 years old, there are four different camp adventures. On the Beachcomber adventure (June 28-July 4), youth will explore Nordhouse Dunes, the only designated Wilderness area in Michigan's Lower Peninsula, and a great place to explore, romp and have fun. This three day, two night trip will encompass camping on the dunes and day hiking around historic light-houses along the Lake Michigan Shoreline. The Pathfinder (July 19-25) is a backpacking and canoeing trip on one of the most popular loop hikes in Michigan, the Jordan River Pathway. During the four-day, three night adventure, youth will explore trails as well as canoe a section of the Jordan River. Finally, if you are looking for more challenging wilderness excursions, the Explorer (June 22-28) is just for you. Our destination will be the Pictured Rocks National

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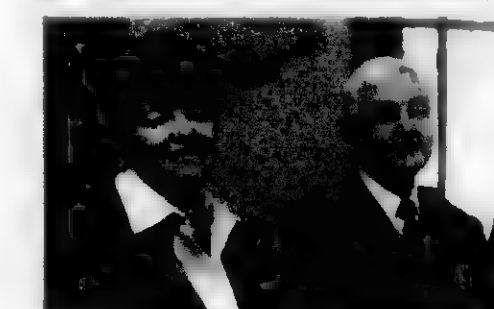
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A Brand New Breakfast

On Friday, May 1st local businessmen & Chamber supporters gathered at Grey Gables & were pleasantly surprised with a new Biz Breakfast format—complete with chamber updates & an opportunity to introduce themselves & give a brief commercial for their businesses. In addition to introductions,



CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
May 14	Business After Hours; Charlevoix Yacht Club, 5 to 7pm
May 16	Literary Delights MI Women Authors Luncheon, 547-4109
May 16	Life Drawing Open Studio, 547-3554
May 17	TRI 4 Fun Women's Triathlon & 5K Walk/Run
May 19	Investing: 10 Rules of the Road in Today's Market; 237-7350
May 21	Operation Petunia, 547-2101
May 21	Retail Committee Meeting, 547-2101
May 23	Annual Garden Club Plant Sale, 347-0316
May 28	Ambassador Meeting; Edgewater Bistro, 4:30pm; 547-2101
May 29-31	Day Trips on the Tall Ship Dennis Sullivan, 675-4800
June 5	First Friday Biz Breakfast; 7:30 at Grey Gables, 547-2101

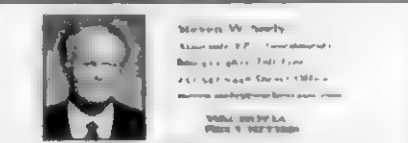
Please visit www.charlevoix.org for a complete list of area activities and events!

Sheriff Don Schneider shared the latest happenings in the field. Sound like something you'd like to attend? Then join us at the next Biz Breakfast scheduled for June 5th at 7:30am at Grey Gables. See you there!

Business After Hours



These are the smiles of door prize winners at the April Business After Hours. Each received a complimentary night's stay at Pointes North Inn. Attendees enjoyed an evening of hors d'oeuvres and the company of colleagues. If you missed out on last month's event, be sure to join the Chamber and your colleagues at the next Business After Hours from 5 to 7pm on Thursday, May 14th, at the Charlevoix Yacht Club. It is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission. Special thanks to the Northern Michigan Review and Charlevoix Courier for sponsoring the event. We hope to see you there!



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We love you

Ms. Barb!



Ms. Barb: Thanks for all the great years and memories. We are now in Sweden and we both speak Swedish! Brandon loves to do puzzles, has many friends, and organizes his racecars by color, size and type! Isabella is excellent at school, has lots of friends, and is great at math and reading! Both kids say thanks for the wonderful memories and background which made it possible to be here.

Love and kisses, Isabella and Brandon Baum

Thank you for being my teacher I will never forget you.

I love you, Ella

Best wishes for a happy future.

Nancy Allison

I had lots of fun at the Children's House, especially when we did the make-a-thon because I never got a flu shot!

Danny Nesburg

When I was in Ms. Barb's class, I think I was the only one who was at the Children's House. I love her hugs and all the things she did there. No matter how I got, I still want to be a part of it when I visit her. She is a great teacher.

Jacob Robinson (age 8, 3rd grader at Boyne City Elementary)

Thank you, Ms. Barb and thank you for showing us the new world.

Lauren Shepard

Barb, thank you so very much for all your dedication and wisdom you have brought to Charlevoix Children's House. Your love and caring for our children during the years following has been wonderful for our family.

We love you, Linda and Jason Whitley

Thank you for teaching me at Charlevoix Children's House.

Love, Carson

Thank you for all the love, love her a lot, love her a lot? Cause I love her a lot!

Joshua Robinson (age 5, kindergarten at Boyne City Elementary)

I think Ms. Barb is a GREAT artist! She always gives you hugs no matter how old you are. So far, she is my favorite teacher, and I think she will always be my favorite teacher. Here are some adjectives that describe her. She is funny, kind, fun, awesome, helpful, loving, caring, very nice, artistic and last, but not least, she is patient. There are a lot more adjectives to describe her, but I can't write them all. I also liked her because she loved animals, and best of all she LOVES kids. I also love when she comes camping with us. I LOVE Ms. Barb.

Rachel Nesburg

Ms. Barb impressed me with her gentle, kind spirit from the first moment we met. Her love of children radiated in the classroom. She guided them with their tasks. Each child was always respected as an individual and encouraged to develop his or her own independence and creativity. During her years of devoted service it was always about the children or "What would Maria do?" I feel truly blessed that our children developed their love for learning in all areas of life with Ms. Barb as their teacher. Our family will always appreciate her dedication and love.

Annette Nesburg

Ms. Barbara has proved to be a friend, a support, and a guide with our children. She has given of herself personally and professionally time and time again. Our family has been very blessed through her involvement in our children's educational and emotional growth.

Barb Robinson

Thank you for your incredible patience and sincere dedication to so many children over 20 years. You will surely be missed by all. Your love and devotion for Josee and Maqgee remains a great foundation for their life path. Their eyes light up when a visit to see you is mentioned! Thanks for all the love.

Love, The Behling Family

I loved going to the Children's House and playing with Jami. It's fun to go back and visit.

Michael Nesburg

Kind, caring, friendly, loving, respectful, knowledgeable and joyful are just a few words to describe Ms. Barb. She can brighten a child's day just by saying Hello. She has put my mind at ease many times with her loving manner. My favorite thing she did with each of our children is a story dictation. She would make it truly their own story. She will be missed by many and hold a special place in our hearts. Best Wishes Ms. Barb you are one of a kind and we have been truly blessed to have had you in our children's lives.

Love, The Romano Family

Ms. Barb would always give me a big bear hug whenever she saw me. She is a great artist and comes up with the best games. If you fell and got a cut on your knee she would help take care of it and get all the nasty germs out. So far she is the nicest person I have ever met, and she is pretty funny. She has the best games at the Children's House and I still like to play with them and I am nine. I think Ms. Barb is really patient unlike my mom and there are lots of other good things about Ms. Barb but can't run out of room.

Natalie Nesburg

It has been an honor and privilege to work with you for over 20 years. May God shower you with all the blessings that you so deserve.

Dianne, Bill and the Dreyer children

Philip, 2-year Children's House veteran, loved doing art projects with Ms. Barb and Mr. Dave and learning about their studio.

Jake, 3-year Children's House veteran remembers most the many nature walks in the woods behind the school and I.

The Conway Family

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Solving future problems one at a time



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Future Problem Solvers competition winners are (front, from left) Abby Wilhelm, Lynzie Gotshall, Emily Mielke and (middle, from left) Taylor Smith, Karinne Smolenyak, Hallie Blits, Lindsey Laway and (back) Katie Mays.



Little green thumbs

Children from the Charlevoix Children's House plant a flowering crabapple tree donated by Pine Hill Nursery in Kewadin on Arbor Day. The children were also given white pine seedlings to take home and plant to commemorate the day. Pictured (from left) Sydney Page, Jillian Romano, Hudson Vollmer, Maya Whitley, Lauren Shepard, Olivia Vollmer, Morgan Mann and Taylor Chase.

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Join the Relay for Life

There is good news in the search for a cancer cure. Cancer death rates continue to decrease, according to the American Cancer Society. This means we are making progress in the fight against cancer — progress you can be a part of through your local Relay For Life event. "All of us who participate in Relay are a part of the cure," stated Lindsey Malpass-Skop, Public Relations Chair for Charlevoix County. "Everything we do at Relay contributes to reducing cancer mortality and incidences. Whether it is raising dollars that

go to support patient programs and research or volunteering to commit to advocacy and education efforts — we're all a part of the fight."

This year's Relay will be held at Castle Farms in Charlevoix on Aug. 15 and 16.

Relay For Life offers every one in the community an opportunity to participate in the fight against cancer, and we want to encourage everyone to get their team together. Teams are often made up of co-workers, friends and family members. Many businesses, community organiza-

tions and religious groups also build teams.

Prior to the Relay event, team members raise dollars by fundraising and securing sponsorships. During Relay, teams camp out overnight and take turns walking a track in an effort to raise awareness and funds in the fight against cancer.

This year marks the fourth year for Relay For Life of Charlevoix County featuring a new Fight Back Ceremony. While the Luncheon and Survivor Ceremonies offer us time to remember those we've lost and

celebrate those who have won the battle, the Fight Back Ceremony gives everyone a chance to make a personal commitment to how they're going to take action against cancer.

If you are interested in starting or joining a team, log on to www.relayforlife.org and follow the links to the Relay For Life of Charlevoix County page.

If you're not able to join a team, simply log on to make a donation.

For more information, call Lindsey Malpass-Skop at (231) 536-7959.

This year's participants in the Middle Division include seventh graders Emily Roloff, Shelby Robinson, Lexie Barnes, and Mallory Murray.

Students active in the Senior Division are nine sophomores: Taylor Smith, Erica Smith, Lindsey Laway, Lynzie Gotshall, Emily Mielke, Katie Mays, Abby Wilhelm, Karinne Smolenyak, and Hallie Blits. Future Problem Solving teams are coached by Lynn Smolenyak and Jill Tabaczka (high school teacher), and advised by Amy Pott, a middle school teacher.

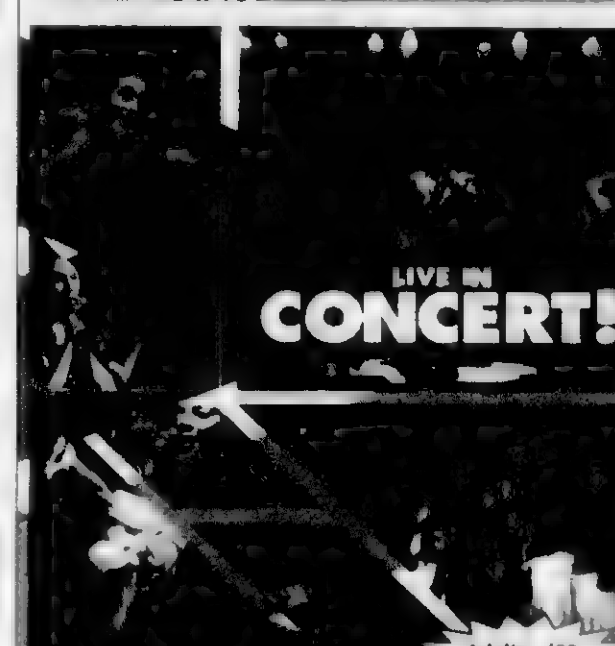
A team of Senior Division students was recently invited to participate in the annual FPS State Bowl held at Michigan State University April 25th and 26th against 99 teams from across the state. Going in, teams were aware of the general topic of the bowl—"The Counter-

feit Economy"—but did not know the specific nature of the problem they would be asked to solve until competition began. Solutions are evaluated on clearly established criteria, and the top five teams from each division received trophies.

Competing that weekend were Emily Mielke, Katie Mays, Karinne Smolenyak and Lynzie Gotshall. Overall, they earned 5th place out of 19 Senior teams for their booklet writing on Counterfeit Economy and 3rd place for presentation of their detailed action plan. On an individual basis, Karinne Smolenyak earned first place for Scenario Writing (a 1500-word fictional piece on the topic of "Pandemic") and 2nd place in individual booklet writing, earning her the chance to compete in the International FPS Conference at MSU May 29 through 31.

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Seemingly harmless grass

GRASS

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entireties will share the same permit which, once approved by the state, will allow them the apply herbicide to the plants this fall.

Officials say it is impossible to put a dollar figure on lost enjoyment of a lakefront homeowner's beach, and that the loss of native wildlife and tourism to overrun beaches would be immeasurable.

"This is like an alien invader," Mushler said. "And it's got to be stopped."

Hayes Township is also working on a plan to rid their shoreline of the grass.

We are in the process of adopting a Phragmites ordinance, then having someone identifying any spots in the township," said Hayes Township Clerk Marlene Golovich.

Once the major stands of grass have been destroyed, Hayes Township intends to closely monitor the potential for new growth by conducting annual inspections and producing reports to track new growth and the resurgence of the plant in areas thought to have been decimated.

Charlevoix Township also has passed an ordinance dealing with the invasive grass.

"We do have some along Lake Michigan ... but we don't have any reports of it (Phragmites) on any property within the township," said Charlevoix Township Supervisor Dale Glass. "We are proceeding with trying to gather the information to go for the permits."

Glass said he will not know what purchasing and applying the herbicide will cost the township until later this summer.

"Right now we're just trying to get the permits—it's a highly complicated procedure," he said. But, he added, "It's going to have to be an area-wide effort. We can't just have one area treated (Phragmites) or it's going to spread."

Phragmites' most vulnerable time is in the fall, and that is when it must be treated for maximum effect.

Officials urge people not to burn the grass as it burns very hot and will stimulate rapid growth.

"You can really make it worse, so we really don't want people trying to treat it on their own," Mushler said. "It is important to contact us and work with us and we'll do it right."

For more information and to see a completed map of Phragmites hot spots, which should be up by the end of the week, visit www.lakecharlevoix.org.

To report a Phragmites stand or to learn how you can volunteer to help stop the spread of the invasive grass, e-mail info@nrcan.org.



FILE PHOTO

Phragmites fighter Carol Apol is seen here swallowed by stands of the invasive species phragmites, a type of grass which grows near water and can reach 15 feet in height. Phragmites is deemed undesirable for its penchant for blocking views and choking out all other plant life as it is hearty, prolific and fast growing.

Lake Charlevoix Association Phragmites action timeline

- **Early May** - Phragmites stand locations posted to interactive map on LCA Web site
- **Early May** - First informational mailing to property owners
- **Mid-May** - Apply to Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for lake-wide permit
- **Early June** - Public awareness meetings (See following schedule)
- **Late June** - Training of volunteer surveyors (See following schedule)
- **July** - re-survey shoreline in detail
- **July** - Secure permission for treatment from landowners
- **August** - Train volunteers to treat and harvest, or choose a contractor (funding?)
- **September** - Application of herbicide
- **September** - two weeks after treatment, harvest and destroy dead plants

15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial Jam

The 15th Annual Bryan Roloff Memorial fund Benefit will be from 1 p.m. to midnight on May 17 at the Gold Nugget in Ellsworth.

Roloff was a talented local guitarist. He won the Hot Licks contest in 1993 and had the honor of opening for Foghat/Nazareth in Traverse City on May 2, 1993. Two weeks later he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and died on May 6, 1994.

Bryan was a very devoted young man who loved his family, friends and music. This benefit is an annual event to celebrate his life.

music and his spirit while helping others with medical needs.

The afternoon event will feature the following bands: Moxie (The Push), Audio Circus, Charlie's Root Fusion, Jellyroll Blues Band, Bare Bones, Nancy's Fury, Lizzy's Ax-plus3, more to be announced.

Doors open at 1 p.m. Bands start at 2 p.m. until

Turning CO2 to fuel Charlevoix grad' turns emissions to fuel

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now finishing his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering at University of Nevada, Reno, Charlevoix graduate York Smith is on the cutting edge of green technology.

Smith's project was so impressive that he won second place in the coveted Donald W. Reynolds Governor's Cup Award for best collegiate business plan in the undergraduate division.

"I was very shocked," Smith said. "I knew we would do well, but I didn't really think we could make it this far."

Smith and his team member Palkin Zed, won second place for their Carbon Gold business wherein CO2 emissions are reduced by collecting exhaust gases from energy plants and altering it to make it a viable fuel like propane.

"The idea of actually converting the CO2 emissions rather than putting them into the ground has been pretty well worked on ... for the last 15 years," he said. "However, developing a full process that uses a couple steps to convert it from the (smoke) stack to the tank of your vehicle has never been fully developed before."

Smith added, "We're not saying this is the Holy Grail, the solution to all our problems. It's just a different approach that nobody has taken."

According to Smith, what makes a good fuel is how much carbon it possesses.

"If you have CO2, you re-

ally can't burn it because it only has one carbon, as opposed to octane which is gasoline which has eight or more sometimes," he said. "So, you have to take carbon dioxide and strip off oxygen and add hydrogen to it and then you can really start to make some good fuels."

Smith added, "And this is all done through catalysts using sunlight." In addition to returning to the University of Nevada, Reno to work on his master's degree in chemical engineering, Smith has also earned the opportunity to study in India for six months.

"I'll be working in a research exchange with UNR (University of Nevada, Reno) and the India Institute of

Technology," he said. "That's a pretty good university over there."

Smith said he will likely enter the field of green technology as it is wide open to chemical engineers.

"There is big demand for developing these technologies, people can use to improve their lives," he said. "And, it's better for the environment."

Smith will now go on to compete in the Tri-State Reynolds Cup where he will face competition from three states.

Smith's mother Mary Lou Smith said she is very proud of her son's accomplishments.

"It was very exciting," she said. "He's worked very hard."

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The game will be Frankfort vs. Charlevoix from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., May 15 at Charlevoix High School's softball field.

Cancer Awareness T-shirts will be available, cancer survivors will throw out first pitch, autographed softballs will be raffled, players will

wear pink uniforms in support of Striking Out Cancer.

For more information, please contact Michael Thompson, Frankfort Softball Head Coach at (231) 352-4781 extension 221 or at mthompson@frankfortthaisd.k12.mi.us or Tony Zimmerman, Charlevoix Head Softball Coach at (231) 330-4709 or zimmerman13@sbcglobal.net.

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Baseball Prep

CHARLEVOIX 8-3, HARBOR LIGHT 5-8

Harbor Light Christian rebounded in the second game to earn a non-league split with Charlevoix Friday, May 8.

Charlevoix scored six runs in the fifth inning of the opener. Heckendorn had two hits, while Bill Ivan doubled, and Clayton Mitchell, Mike Kras and Foster each singled. Largent and Foster finished with two RBI apiece, while Ivan and Andrew Pot-

ter each drove in a run. Kras struck out four, walked three and allowed four runs on four hits through five innings for the win.

Collin Hewitt earned the win in relief for the Swordsmen, who are 14-3-1 and ranked No. 3 in the Division IV state coaches poll. Hewitt gave up two runs on one hit in four innings of relief. Mark Fila started and gave up a run on two hits while striking out three. Jake Ellis also pitched in relief

for Harbor Light. Mark Fila singled and doubled, Ben Cole and Ellis had two hits apiece, and Brant Cole singled for the Swordsmen.

Michael Heckendorn, Alex Foster and Drew Largent each singled for Charlevoix. Brant Cole allowed six runs on seven hits while striking out one in taking the loss. Hewitt pitched in relief.

Brant Cole, Mark Fila, Hewitt and Ellis each singled for the Swordsmen.

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Investing Lessons from the Vineyards

Ben Muladore
Financial Advisor



As an investor, you can get plenty of advice from financial experts on the evening news or cable financial shows. But you may actually be able to learn some deeper truths about investing by observing other professionals — such as winemakers.

At first glance, you might not see what these "guardians of the grape" can teach you about building an investment portfolio. After all, they're shaping Sangiovese while you're seeking stocks, they're bottling Burgundy while you're buying bonds, and they're mastering Malbec while you're monitoring mutual funds. Where's the connection?

Start by considering the life cycle of wine and the concept of "vintage." For example, a particular wine is labeled a 2005 vintage if it is made from grapes that were predominantly grown and harvested in 2005. Yet given the

requirements of wine production, this 2005 vintage may not actually hit the markets until 2008 — and some aficionados may think the wine won't taste its best until 2018.

If you translated this type of scenario to the financial world, you could say that the 2008 investment "vintage" was not promising, given that the value of almost all investments — even the quality ones — fell last year. But if you were to hold these quality investments for the long term — as you should, because investing is a long-term activity — you might find that the 2008 vintage investments may eventually become productive vehicles that can help you achieve your financial goals.

So, what lessons can you learn from winemakers? Here are a few suggestions:

- **Be patient.** Winemakers put a lot of time, effort and money into planting today's grapes — for which they will not see one penny of profit for many years. Yet they have the discipline to wait patiently until the products of their labors come to fruition. Are all their wines successful? No — and all your investments may not be, either. But given enough time, quality investments can

usually help you work toward your financial goals.

- **Have faith in your strategy.** Wine drinkers' tastes can change from year to year. Yet winemakers don't rip out their vineyards and replant them with today's "hot" varietal. Instead, they cultivate the grapes they've planted, make the best wine they can and maintain their belief that their products will find a market. As an investor, you can't allow yourself to be swayed by today's hot tips and trends. Instead, build a portfolio of quality investments that can stand the test of time.

- **Adapt your goals to your situation.** One of the most famous winemaking regions in the world, Napa Valley, contains a number of microclimates that vary by temperature, rainfall and soil. Napa Valley winemakers know which grapes will do best in which microclimate, and they concentrate their efforts accordingly. And you, as an individual investor, should make your investment decisions based on your own "microclimate" — your risk tolerance, family situation, time horizon and other factors. In other words, you should choose those investments that

are best suited for you and that have the best chance to help you meet your goals.

Investing, like winemaking, is filled with challenges. But by observing how winemakers work, you may learn some things that can eventually help you raise a glass to your own success.

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Under the power of sale contained

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In sold mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the Lobby of the County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720 (that being the place of holding Circuit Court in said County) on Friday, June 12, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

Said premises are described as follows:

AN UNDIVIDED 25% INTEREST IN UNIT 50, THE CABINS, BEING FRACTIONAL ID "D", ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 411, PAGE 939, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 518, PAGE 575, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 126, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

Commonly known as: 01285 Powder Ridge Dr #500, Boyne Falls, MI 49713.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 2009

NANTZ, LITOWICH, SMITH, GIRARD & HAMILTON, P.C.
Attorneys for Mortgagee
By: Stephen M. Hamilton (P-41980)
2025 East Beltline, S.E., Suite 600
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(L-5/13/20,5/27,6/03,6/10)

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on May 22, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Pineridge Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 339, Charlevoix County Records.

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Dated: April 22, 2009

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #259006F01
(L-4/22,4/29,5/06,5/13)

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on May 22, 2009.

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., May 24, at Lake Michigan beach, pavilion number 3, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13.

Local cemeteries

Will be decorated with American flags by veterans as soon as the shipment of flags is received by the American Legion, Charlevoix Post.

In preparation for its 10th annual book sale

On Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library are accepting gently used books for resale. Donations can be dropped off daily in the Mason Street lobby of the library. Please do not leave books without covers, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Proceeds from this sale go to the children's department of the library.

Charlevoix Skatepark

Opened May 2: Weekends only through June 8. Noon to dusk: Summer hours noon to 9 p.m. daily; Fridays 3 p.m. to dusk; A helmet is required. Call 675-4505 for more information.

American Red Cross

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.arcnlm.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: Preventing disease transmission.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Free Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at 203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix: Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at. Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

AAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org

for more information.

Historical society museum

Winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years.

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@char-unitedway.org

United Way campaign

With only one month before it makes annual Community Investment Allocations, Char-Em United Way announces that it is nearing 90 percent of its campaign goal. The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge grant to United Way if it meets the campaign goal.

United Way campaign

Tax-deductible contributions to the United Way 2008-2009 Campaign can be mailed to P O Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770. Gifts can be made online by going to www.charunitedway.org and selecting "Give." For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@charunitedway.org

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

• Grades five through seven can play Guitar Hero or DDR from 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. each Friday

NOW THROUGH MAY

The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan, based out of Petoskey, but covering Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties, will be offering a number of health and safety and preparedness classes during the month of May. For a complete listing of these classes, please read on below, call their offices at (231) 348-7666 or visit their Web site at www.arcnlm.org.

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Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

• Winter gallery - noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturdays

• Raku Firing Workshop with Doug DeLind - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18

• Figure drawing - March 21, April 18 and May 16

• Call for submissions for the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle show. Open to two or three dimensional artwork or furniture formed from recycled materials and artwork with an emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Call (231) 373-6033 for more information.

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Girl Scout cookies

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders at cookie booth sales which will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Kmart in Charlevoix from April 24 to May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsmis.org or call (866) 566-7434. Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each pack-

age to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps. Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore serves more than 20,000 girls with the support of nearly 4,500 adult volunteers in our 30 counties.

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9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive

Will be held from noon to 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 14 at the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church on the corner of US 31 North and Meech Street. Call (800) 448-3543 for an appointment or drop in. Bring your ARC donor card or government photo I.D.

SWIRL AT CTAC

Meet new people, educate your palate and live up your Thursday evenings with Flavors of Portugal. Swirl mixes wine, music and art at Petoskey's Crooked Tree Arts Center. Each month embraces a different seasonal theme and brings flavors from around the world. Doors open at 6 p.m.; refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 per person the day of Swirl, when available.

Events also scheduled for April 16 and May 14. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org for more information.

East Park trout stream

A short ceremony at 11 a.m. will be held to mark the opening of the trout stream feature in East Park, Charlevoix, on May 15.

Girls Volleyball

The Charlevoix Recreation Department will offer a recreational league for young girls seeking to learn a variety of basic skills and the fundamentals of girls fast-pitch softball. This is for girls ages 7, 8, 9 and 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. beginning June 2 and ending July 2 at the City of Charlevoix Ball Fields. There will be local play only with no travel. Cost is \$20. Registration deadline is Friday, May 15. Deliver completed form to Charlevoix Recreation Dept., 210 State Street. Girls previously registered at the Recreation Dept. need not reapply. This league is intended to be non-competitive and provide additional assistance for players looking to continue on with the girls division of fast-pitch Little League.

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We need your help. Volunteer coaches or assistants are needed.

For more information, contact Ike Boss at 547-3235 or Annette Nesburg at 547-5111.

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Singles for Christ

All singles 40 and older are invited for a dinner group at 6 p.m., May 16 at the Bob-In Again, a 50s-style soda shop at 1150 Bayview Road/US 31 in Petoskey.

Following dinner, you are invited to go to Zion Lutheran Church at 500 West Mitchell in Petoskey to play dominoes, board games, cards, etc. Bring snacks and a beverage if interested in the social hour. RSVP is required to reserve seating. Call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnec.com.

Angel Food

Angel Food Ministries May order schedule will be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, May 16 at the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene and at 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pine River apartments for residents only. For further information, call Bob and Edna Fales at 547-9346 or (810) 304-0375.

Literary Delights

Zonta Club hosts their annual Michigan Women Authors Luncheon. Proceeds for SOS community girls enrichment program. This year's event features Sue Harrison, Amy L. Young and Julie Frawley. Purchase tickets, \$40 each, at Round Lake Book Store or call 547-4109 or contact any Zontian.

MAY 17

Strings concert

The Crooked Tree Youth Orchestra and Dorothy Gerber Strings Program will present their Annual Spring Concert at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 17, at the John M. Hall Auditorium in Bay View. The concert is free to the pub-

lic. For more information regarding the strings program contact Crooked Tree Arts Center at (231) 347-4337 or visit our web site at www.crookedtree.org.

MAY 18

60 Years of Boyne USA! Learn about the history of the resort from the people who had the dream. 7 p.m., Vienna A Room in the Mountain Grand Lodge at Boyne Mountain. Charlevoix County History Preservation Society, www.cbcp.info.

MAY 19

Charlevoix Public Schools spring concert

At 7 p.m., in the Charlevoix High School gym, musicians featuring sixth- through 12th-grade performers will play everything from The Beatles to the William Tell Overture.

MAY 20

Young Life if Charlevoix meetings begin at 7 p.m., May 20 at the library. Young Life is a non-denominational, Christian organization which seeks to help disinterested and unchurched middle school and high school students see, hear, and experience Jesus Christ. For more information, contact Chip Sauer at 547-9482 or go online to www.younglife.org.

MAY 23

Softball for men and women

Deadline to sign up for softball is 5 p.m., May 23. Call 547-3253 for more information or see Ike Boss in the recreation department, Charlevoix City Hall.

MAY 29

Memorial Day parade Charlevoix American Legion Post 226 will again host the Memorial Day Parade in Charlevoix. Following is the schedule of events: 9 a.m. wreath laying ceremony

emony at the Flag Pole, Brookside Cemetery, with the National Anthem, Lincoln's Address and Firing Party.

9:30 a.m. marching units assemble on East Garfield St.

10 a.m. Parade begins north on Bridge Street.

10:10 a.m. Parade halts to decorate Veterans Monument

10:15 a.m. Parade turns east on to Mason Street and terminates at East Park Stage where ceremonies continue.

Inclement weather location is Charlevoix Middle School gymnasium.

MAY 26

DDA Notice

The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority did not meet on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 210 State St., City Hall, in the city Council Chambers as scheduled.

The next scheduled meeting of the DDA will be on May 26, 2009. A complete agenda will be posted prior to the meeting.

MAY 28

Blood drive

10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., May 28 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive.

MAY 30 - JUNE 23

Artist reception and show from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 2217 US 31 South.

JUNE 2

Blood drive

Noon to 5:45 p.m., June 2, at East Jordan Civic Center 101 Civic Center Lane

JUNE 3

Day of Caring

Are you a non-profit agency with a project you just never get finished—or started? Would your business or service group like to give back to the community? Are you and your friends looking for a meaningful day out? Join the Char-Em United Way for its annual Day of Caring Kick-off at 12:30 p.m. on June 3 at the library in Charlevoix. A presentation, list of projects and lunch are on tap. Call 547-9203 for more information.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday

nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

JUNE 7

Young Americans

The Young Americans in Concert will perform in Charlevoix at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 7 at Charlevoix High School.

The tickets for this performance are available at the Young American Box Office, at Boyne Highlands or phone (231) 526-3152. They will also perform at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 13 at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center. Tickets are avail-

able for this performance at the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce, phone (231) 582-6222. Adult tickets are \$20 and students at \$12. Credit cards are accepted.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

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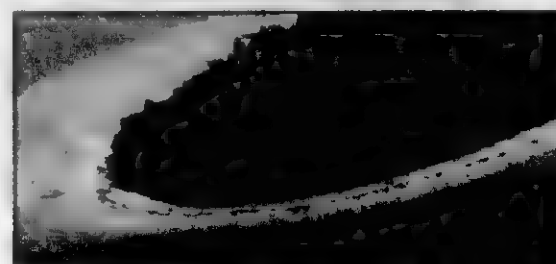


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Harbor best in country

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now in its 63rd year of business, Harbor Industries of Grand Haven and Charlevoix continues to garner recognition as one of the country's top businesses.

Most recently, the business was named the Jeffrey Butland Family Owned Business of the Year in a pool of companies across America, and prior to that they were named among the 100 best and brightest companies.

"I think one of the main reasons we received these honors has to do with our community involvement," said Harbor Industries president Tim Parker, the third generation in his family to run the point of purchase display manufacturer. "We encourage our employees and we send them out on our time to volunteer and make a difference in their communities."

In addition to increasing the amount of involvement his employees spend on their own time, Parker said allowing workers to spend some of their days helping their fellow man works toward the larger goal of a strong community.

"We have a very family oriented company, and that's not just because of the Parker family, that is because all of our employees treat each other as part of their families," he said.

Harbor was first named Family Owned Business of the Year by the Small Business Administration of Michigan on April 30, and then it was recognized regionally among companies from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan.

Founded in Grand Haven in 1946, the company was run by Tim's grandfather Henry

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Fish on

The major construction of East Park officially ended Friday, May 15 with the ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony of the trout stream and natural habitat feature in East Park. Dozens of people gathered to see the first 50 rainbow trout—donated by feature-builder and Site Planning Development owner John Campbell—released into the stream.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Charlevoix car seller seeks answers

RYAN BENTLEY
NEWS REVIEW

Targeted for the elimination of a General Motors franchise, the operators of a local car dealership hope they can convince the automaker to reconsider.

Rick Summers, regional director for Fox Motors, said the company's Charlevoix dealership received a letter from GM Friday, indicating that its franchise would not be renewed beyond

the next 18 months.

"We are appealing that, because we think they made a misinformed decision," he added. "Our sales have been above objective most every quarter for the past two years."

The dealership, which carries GM's Chevrolet, Buick, Pontiac and Cadillac brands, also has seen positive results in terms of customer satisfaction ratings, Summers noted.

"We're just kind of puzzled

and looking for answers on what's what," he said.

Summers noted that the dealership hasn't received much detail from GM as to what prompted its non-renewal decision. Based on what he heard from one GM regional staffer, the Fox manager said the dealership's pairing of GM and Chrysler franchises may have played a part.

If GM doesn't reconsider, Summers said the Fox chain's relationship with other auto

makers perhaps could help in landing a new franchise for the Charlevoix location. Operating as a Chrysler-only store — Fox carries the Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge lines as well as Chrysler's Global Electric Motorscars in Charlevoix — is another possibility for the future, he added.

This year, GM products account for about half of the Charlevoix location's new vehicle sales, Summers said, and had generated a bit larger share

in years past.

The Charlevoix dealership currently employs 21 people, and Summers doesn't expect GM's decision will reduce that number.

Summers said he's heard from some in the community who intend to organize a letter-writing campaign in hope of getting reconsideration from GM.

"That made me feel real good," he added.

GM, which is looking to thin

its dealer network as part of cost-cutting restructuring efforts — notified dealerships in writing on Friday if they were targeted for franchise elimination. For the automaker's two Petoskey dealerships, the day passed without that type of news arriving.

Mary Foster, one of four siblings who operate Fleich's of Petoskey — which carries Buick, Pontiac and GMC — said

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New fear of old plants

The following is a reprint of an essay previously published.



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

Phragmites (frag-might-ease) is invading! Garlic Mustard is invading! Purple Loosestrife is invading! They are choking out other plants! They are taking over natural habitats! They are suppressing wildlife! We have to do something NOW! Let's get together and eliminate the troublesome plant.

Our usual response to such imminent threats is to rally the pub-

lic and do everything we can to eradicate the invaders. We might even consider spraying large areas with herbicides that will kill all the plants sprayed, not just the one we see as the most dominant of the most offensive. Actually eradicating an established plant is so close to impossible it should hardly be considered.

There are some general botanical rules we might examine before beginning public eradication efforts, and there are some specific facts regarding particular kinds of plants.

The natural world with its many thousands of different plants and creatures is not like the Internet, where if we get the right software we can speed things up. The community of plants and animals that occupies any particular part of the world responds to changes in climate, to changes in kinds of organisms, plant and animal, and it does so

at its own pace, not the pace we might choose.

Think about how plants get from one place to another. They are spread by spores and seeds, which are carried by wind, water and other organisms including humans. Every one of those plants and animals used to live somewhere else, and at some time in the past invaded new territory. In every case, the plants and animals already there adapted to the new invaders. They did it at the pace of the natural world, where change is generally slow by our hurry-up standards. It is also worth pointing out that up to now there is not a single case of any invasive plant eliminating any plant that was already there when it arrived.

Any invading plant is likely to temporarily alter the numbers of other kinds of plants. It may temporarily reduce the numbers of some plant we particularly

like. How long is temporary? It depends on the plant. Sugar Maples, for example will change very slowly in response to some new organism. A tree might have to live for 10 or 15 years or more before it begins to produce seeds, and may live for hundreds of years. We will most likely not see any overall change in Sugar Maples in several human lifetimes. Other plants grow with great speed, live for less than a year and produce a new generation of seeds in a few weeks or months. Quickweed, so called, one of the common weeds in our street-side petunia beds, would adapt very quickly to changes. It might even become resistant to herbicides in just a few years if it were sprayed consistently, with only the resistant plants living to produce seed for the next generation. Most plants fall somewhere between those extremes and are capable of noticeable change in a

few years to a few decades.

Now, how about Phragmites growing along our coastlines. First of all it is not an invader in the usual sense. Phragmites grows all over the temperate world, and is found in dozens of Michigan counties. One of its

common names is Ditch Reed, and it is often seen along highways, where it occupies damp, recently bare ditches. Strains of the plant differ from place to place and time to time, but they

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Trust God, keep an eye on men

I spent the year 1969, in Vietnam, riding up and down the South China Sea launch planes a boardal USS Enterprise.



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

Because we were nuclear-powered and did not need to visit port for refueling we often spent 60 days or more at sea in the area known as the Tonkin Gulf Yacht Club.

Down in the engine room, where I worked, we often complained when it was your turn to stand the midnight watch. It was the only time of day temperatures dipped below 100 degrees, and, unlike the day watches there

was no expectation we would fix, clean, or paint anything.

And so we would convene under the ventilation duct that blew in that refreshing 90 degree night air from topside and swap stories.

There was always plenty to gab about around the old vent duct after we'd been in port or when there had been an event aboard ship, such as the shellback initiation ceremony as we crossed the equator.

But after a month or so, all the fresh story material was exhausted and we reverted to the reliable standby source for all tall tales: our lives before the Navy.

The stories we each told somehow connected us to the real world.

It reassured us we had once enjoyed a real life filled with family and friends and females, and bolstered the hope that when our time was up we would once again be free to pick up our lives

where we'd left off.

And so the stories rolled out, night after night under the vent duct, and in that spirit of late night telling of tall tales known to military men everywhere we embellished, we invented, and we misrepresented our pre-Navy lives. After all, it was the South China Sea, it was midnight, and none of us were going anywhere anyway.

Under the vent duct the second string high school fullback from Iowa that rarely rose from the bench scored the game-winning touchdown at homecoming.

And under the vent duct the kid from Arizona who could not get a date for the prom told and retold tall tales of romantic adventures under the desert stars.

Of all the stories I heard under the vent duct only one has stuck with me. The story was told by a tall, gangly kid from West Virginia named Charley. Charley and I spent five years together

on active duty and I came to believe this story happened just as he said.

Charley said one day when he was around five or six his dad stood him up on the kitchen counter, took three steps back, and held out his arms. "Jump," he told Charley. "I'll catch you."

Charley hesitated. To a kid, it seemed like a scary proposition. "Jump, Charley," his dad encouraged. "You can trust me. I'll catch you."

Charley flung himself off the kitchen counter, arms outstretched like a comic book hero. And, as he did, his dad stepped back and let him go splat on the kitchen floor.

"There," his dad told him, "is the most important lesson you'll ever learn: Never trust anybody."

And he walked away.

Now, what Charley's dad did was nothing short of cruel.

The lesson, though badly taught, still has validity.

Who, after all, can you really trust?

Cynical as it sounds, people have a rather poor record of trustworthy behavior.

Given enough need, greed, or lust, the trusted person is capable of doing the untrustworthy thing.

If husbands and wives were absolutely trustworthy, there would be no affairs or betrayals.

If parents were always to be trusted we'd have no neglected or abused children.

If employers were to be trusted we'd have no Enron, and if investors were trustworthy we'd have no Bernie Madoff.

If financial institutions and bankers were trustworthy, Americans over 50 would not have just lost over two trillion dollars in retirement fund value.

And if government was to be trusted... well, let's not bother going there.

But people are too hopeful to go through life never taking a

chance on anyone.

Kids naturally trust their parents, and newlyweds trust their spouse.

We are wired to trust until we're given reason not to.

Still, each week people visit the counseling office whose trust has been violated by someone who should have been trustworthy.

In the midst of that betrayal some of those folks look around for God and wonder if He is trustworthy.

All I can tell them is God would have never let Charley go splat. He'd have caught him, and held him, and loved him.

And that's the difference between God and the rest of us mere mortals.

If you take the risk and make the leap He will never let you hit the kitchen floor.

Steve Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix. By appointment at (231) 678-4682.

WEEKLY POLL

Did the state of teacher contract negotiations play much of a role in the school board election?

Yes (28 Votes, 70%)

NO (8 Votes, 22%)

This week's poll question: Considering the current economy, how will merchants fare this summer?

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LETTERS to the editor

Share the road

Editor:

It was not my intent to offend or sound pompous rather to inform. My letter was to those that affronted me personally thus the question "remember me". Most teens and the whole population for that matter are courteous and considerate. I did however intend to cause a big stir and sound fed up and angered by the actions of these few individuals whom by throwing things at me and hitting me with an automobile committed assault. I should have reported it to the police but all I could say is "it was a brown car with a kid hanging out of it. And the truck that hit me was at night so all I could say was "it was a pickup with lights." Yes I had reflectors and lights front and back. I guess to some assault is deemed "alright" but not to me.

I made no mistakes as Austin implied. I was operating according to the motor vehicle code, on the shoulder (if it was rideable) when the speed limit was over 45 mph, the edge of the road if under, to the right of a foul lane road. If someone needs two lanes or a lane and the shoulder to pass me they have made the mistake. You are not required to maintain the speed limit. If this were the case bicycles would not be allowed on most streets.

The lowest city speed limits are usually 25 mph. I have been in situations that could potentially slow

traffic for an extended time. In such cases I pulled off and let the traffic clear. That does not imply that a cyclist should pull over for every car. Austin stay off the sidewalk. Studies have shown you are twice as likely to have an accident riding the sidewalks as you were operating on the road obeying traffic laws. In part of Charlevoix it is illegal to ride on the sidewalk because of the danger to pedestrians.

In my opinion you should ride on the sidewalk only if your age consists of a single digit. "What Every Michigan Bicyclist Must Know" is a pamphlet all motorists and cyclists should read. Brought to you through a partnership between the League of Michigan Bicyclists, the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness <<http://www.michiganfitness.org/>>, Michigan Department of Transportation <<http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/>>, and the Michigan Department of Community Health <<http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/>>. Find it at Lmb.org. The right to cycle on the road started in 1887, six years before Charles Edgar Duryea put the first commercial gas powered auto on the road in the U.S. in 1893.

All I ask is Share the road it's the law. Curtis Merrifield

Ball field needs repair

Editor: When you were a kid did you play on the little league

baseball field? Of one reading this did you play on that field? Well if you did you might know it might need some help.

I've played on that field for three or four years now. And there is no doubt that it needs help. Well the scoreboard is always off balance like it only goes up to 12 or 13. When a team gets up that high it is hard to tell who won. Also you have to start out with one extra strike some times.

Also people hit a lot of grounders to short stop it's built in a hill. It takes a big bounce.

The sand has big rocks in it so they get stuck in your shoes and the baseball glove also when you slide you gets rocks stuck in your underwear.

Also there are big holes in the outfield. Sometimes when you're going to get a pop fly you might trip over one of those hole and fall. In conclusion the little field might need some repair.

Spencer Bruce Sixth-grade Charlevoix Middle School

Dog park needed

Editor: Do you hate that every day walk, or should I say run trying to keep your dog from going potty on someone else's lawn? With a dog park, we would not have that problem.

In our new park we are not allowed to have dogs

We need a place where we can have dogs, who can go potty, and can play fetch with their owners.

A dog park would also be a good tourist attraction, because most people want to bring their pets on their vacation. They don't because they would end up having their dog cooped up in the car and having restricted areas. Therefore, with a dog park more people would come to visit.

This is why I believe we, Charlevoix the Beautiful, need a dog park.

Maddie Boss Sixth-grade student

Elks: "Thanks"

Editor: On behalf of the members of Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856, I wish to thank you (Charlevoix Courier) and your wonderful staff for a job well done for getting the word out about our Texas Hold'em Tournament that was held on Saturday, April 18.

And especially to the person who made the ad that ran in the Courier and the Petoskey News Review, awesome job.

I would also like to thank the following companies and their employees (WJML) Stone Communications, Inc., (WKHQ)

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Last but not least, thank you to those that came out and played and those that volunteered their

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Christopher M. Jones Exalted Ruler, Charlevoix Elks #2856

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Richard Lee and M. Noreen Selissen, 1959



Richard Lee and M. Noreen Selissen, 2009

Couple celebrate 50th Anniversary

Richard (Dick) Lee and M. Noreen (nee Cross) Selissen, Sr. are pleased to announce the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary by a trip to Branson, MO, along with his best man and brother and sister-in-law Ed and Edie Selissen who live in Grand Bay, Wis.

The couple was married May 16, 1959 in Charlevoix by Victor P. Gallagher. Dick is retired from the U.S.

Coast Guard and the owner of the Flight Deck Bar/Nordic Bar and his wife is also retired from the same occupation.

Richard (Rick) Selissen and Lori Selissen of Boyne City and Sharon (Sherrie) Selissen and Ernie Kallman of Charlevoix are the couple's children. They have four grandchildren: Troy, Jessica, Jennifer and Tristen Selissen.

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World of voices coming soon

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

More than 375 kids from Mongolia, Kenya, Canada, Hungary, Vietnam, Mexico and more are coming to northern Michigan to perform nearly three dozen concerts.

But, the "Children of the World in Harmony" International Youth Choir/Dance Festival needs your help to make this epic event a reality.

"The organization grew out of a festival I planned while I was director of education and cultural programming at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in the late '70s," said Jack Kukuk, event organizer. "We have hundreds of kids from many different countries and we still need housing in Charlevoix."

Kukuk is now taking applications for families interested in hosting a child to stay with them for Sunday, July 26 through Tuesday, July 28.

Now it's its 27th year, the International Youth Choir/Dance Festival is making its way to northern Michigan for the first time.

This particular concert is the 17th International Children of the World in Harmony Festival.

"One of the reasons we do this is we believe that the young people need to have an opportunity to meet each other from different cultures," Kukuk said. "So, when they grow to become adults, they will have experienced people from other cultures and be less likely to face them in a confrontational situation."

situation."

He added, "We want them to be a part of a program that promotes peace and understanding."

This non-competitive festival will offer shows at 7:30 p.m. on July 27 at the Charlevoix Public Library and on July 29 at the Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix's East Park.

These free concerts will feature performances by groups including the Dancers Without Borders — Dancers from Charlevoix and Emmet counties; Kalamazoo Children's Choir from Kalamazoo; Lawrence University Cantabile Choir from Appleton, Wis.; Mariachi los Rebeldes from Phoenix, Ariz.; Oltoloo Loo Nkera (Children's Voices) Maasai Children's Choir from Transmara District, Kenya; Mongolian Children's Palace "Talent" Dance Ensemble from Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia; Scolia Cantorum de Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico; Waganakising Eshkinigijik (Young People from the Place of the Crooked Tree) Odawa youth from northern Michigan; Rolnicka Praha Children's Choir from Prague, Czech Republic; St. Marys Children's Choir from St. Marys, Ontario, Canada; Yip's Hong Kong Children's Choir from Hong Kong, China and the Voices Without Borders International Festival Choir.

For more information on concerts or to host a performer, e-mail choralfest@msn.com or call Kukuk directly at (602) 618-2807.



COURTESY PHOTO

The performers of Yip's Hong Kong Children's Choir perform in the International Youth Choir and Dance Festival, an annual series of traveling shows participated in by performers from numerous countries including Japan, Canada, Kenya, America and more. The festival will be coming to northern Michigan for the first time this summer.

• Pre-festival concerts

July 27 (time to be announced) • Mission Point on Mackinaw Island, Mariachi los Rebeldes

7:30 p.m., July 27 - Cheboygan Opera House, Yip's Hong Kong Children's Choir, China

7 p.m., July 27 - Charlevoix Library, Rolnicka Praha, Prague

8 p.m., July 27 - Beaver Island Community Center, Mongolian Youth Dance Ensemble

• Opening day concerts - July 29

7 p.m. - Cross in the Woods,

Indian River - Mexico City, St. Marys Children's Choir

7 p.m. - Harbor Springs PAC - Mongolia, Hong Kong, Waganakising Eshkinigijik

7:30 p.m. - Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix - Mariachi los Rebeldes, Oltoloo Loo Nkera,

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• Welcoming ceremony - July 30

7 p.m. - Ottawa Stadium, Harbor Springs - Waganakising Eshkinigijik (Young People from the place of the Crooked Tree)

• Concerts in the park - July 31

Noon to 5 p.m. - Pennsylvania Park, Downtown Petoskey - 10 groups

7 p.m. - Crooked Tree Arts Center - Voices Without Borders Festival Choir

8:30 p.m. - Crooked Tree Arts Center - Voices Without Borders Festival Choir

Gala finale concert - Aug. 1

5:50 p.m. - In and around John M. Hall Auditorium at Bay View in Petoskey - Waganakising Eshkinigijik, Mongolian Dancers, Mariachi los Rebeldes, and Oltoloo Loo Nkera

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OBITUARIES

Melvin P. Renaud: October 12, 1940 - May 15, 2009

Melvin P. Renaud, 68, of Charlevoix, was called home on Friday, May 15, 2009, at his home surrounded by his family. Mel fought a courageous battle with illness for the past 13 years.

Mel was born Oct. 12, 1940, in Wyandotte, the son of Harvey H. and Jeannette M. (Souleire) Renaud.

Mel graduated from Lincoln

High School in 1959, and served in the US Navy for six years during the Vietnam War.

On Oct. 21, 1961, he married Madelyn M. Wojan in Charlevoix at Saint Mary's Church. Mel was the founder of Dry Harbour Marine in Charlevoix, a member of the Charlevoix Planning Commission and enjoyed golfing, fishing, hunting and spending time

with his family. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Madelyn; daughter, Kari (Casey) Curtis; grandchildren Tyler and Travis Curtis of Charlevoix, and Renee Paul Renaud of Vanderbilt; sister Millie (Don) Cox of Westland. Mel's son Jeffrey preceded him in death on Jan. 29, 2000.

Funeral will be at the Winchester Funeral Home in

Charlevoix on Tuesday May 19,

where friends may meet Mel's family from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. with funeral service beginning at 2 p.m., burial will be in Saint Mary's Cemetery immediately following. The Reverend Jerry Hunko of Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Church or Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

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DEATH NOTICE

Richard John Farmer: Died April 5, 2009

Richard John Farmer, aged 98, of Charlevoix, died April 5, 2009 at the Tendercare/

Greenville Facility in Alpena. He is survived by his daughter, Donna Cross of Alpena.

At his request he was cremated and at this time there will be no service.

Camp McSauba needs your help

Due to decreased grant-giving in recent months, Camp McSauba has lost its funding source which used to fund scholarships for needy area campers.

Now a nine-week day camp, Camp McSauba offers a week-long welcome back party with traditional and new camp games and activities; week two is Native American Week where you can learn traditions games and crafts; week three is United We Stand, a patriotic week of fund and games; week four is Super Sports, for everything sport related; week five is Survivor Week: who will be the last to survive the challenge?; week six is Fun Factor during Venetian Week; week seven is Camp Hawaii where you will learn lei making, hula dancing and more; week eight is the Camp Olympics with gold, silver and bronze medals for event winners; and week nine is Wacky Week.

Camp sessions run from June 15 to Aug. 14 and cost is \$85 per session; session five costs \$70.

Call 547-3253 for more information or pick up a copy of the Camp McSauba brochure

with attached registration form at City Hall.

Also new this year is the Tyler Hoffman Memorial Scholarship Fund which will help fund scholarships to needy

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Northwest Academy MEAPs remain strong

Northwest Academy public charter school's MEAP scores continue to exceed state averages in almost every category.

Northwest lead administrator John Bailey said he is pleased with the results and owed the success to dedicated teachers.

"My overall thoughts of the scores are that they are excellent. As you've seen, we are above the state average in almost every category," he said. "Our fifth-graders scored 100 percent proficient or advanced in all areas."

Northwest scored above the state averages in fifth grade through eighth-grade reading, math, writing, science and social studies.

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Social studies:
Northwest - .8
State - .73

The school was below the state average in the categories of English/language arts with a school average

of .74445 as opposed to the state average of .77.

Bailey said he credits several factors for the school's success on the state-wide test.

"I believe our scores show that, for the students who come to Northwest Academy, we provide very well for the student's educational needs," Bailey said. "Our teachers are dedicated to the individual student, our class sizes are low so each student gets the attention they need, and our kids feel very com-



Wheels of learning

Charlevoix first-graders learn that it is not just the wheels on a bus that go round and round as community businesses brought their vehicles to Charlevoix Elementary School to let the children get hands-on experience with different occupations that involve wheels. In this picture, Joe Schwartzfisher of the Charlevoix City Fire Department lets all the bells and whistles ring for the kids.

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Veterans fund grants

Charlevoix County Veterans received \$4,665,000 last year.

During the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2008, veterans and their families in Charlevoix County received \$4,665,000 from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Benefits in the form of Disability Compensation, Pension, Education, Insurance and indemnities were paid directly to many of the county's Charlevoix veterans.

Linda C. Walker, Director of the VA Regional Office in Detroit, the office that administers benefit payments for Michigan said, "This influx of money into the Charlevoix county economy was a significant portion of the more than one billion dollars VA expended to serve the 761,308 veterans living throughout the State of Michigan."

"Over half of all VA expenditures, more than \$500 million, are paid directly to veterans and their families each year," Walker added. "The rest is used to support VA medical services provided at Michigan's five VA Medical Centers, five Outpatient Clinics, and the numerous Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) located throughout the State."

Walker reminds any Charlevoix County veteran "if you believe your service connected condition has gotten worse or you simply have a question about your VA benefits be sure to contact the VA." You may do this by calling the Charlevoix County veterans representative Ed Holm at 547-7220.

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Fear of old plants

PLANTS
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all have the capacity to occupy large areas of wet land in a few years. They spread mostly by using growing runners beneath the soil surface but also by seeds that can blow around or be carried with the mud on bird's feet. Phragmites is just not catching up with the drop in Lake Michigan water levels. That drop provided a lot of new, damp territory with few competing plants. Phragmites moved in and used its normal competitive ability to grow as widely and as rapidly as possible. Almost all kinds of plants must have great competitive ability or they would not have survived the centuries. That competitive ability is a biological plus, not a minus.

I can provide a personal example of this competitive ability. The same story could be told of thousands of different kinds of plants. When we lived in Iowa I had a continuing interest in the plants of the native prairie. There were only a few pieces of undisturbed native prairie left in our part of eastern Iowa. Iowa native prairie had about three hundred different kinds of plants. It was possible to identify two hundred of them from a few acres of ground. They lived in a highly competitive environment, as to most of the plants on earth. One of the plants was a wild rose. In the prairie it was a small plant, maybe a foot or so tall with three or four blooms in a good year. In a drought year, it might not bloom at all. I transplanted one of those small wild roses to my back yard, where it had to compete from its two hundred neighbors above or below ground. Within two years the rose plant was four feet high and had literally hundreds of blooms. Had I ceased mowing the lawn

it could easily have taken over the yard.

In my yard the wild rose was behaving like an invader. What it really was, of course, was the only native plant in the lawn. The usual lawn plants, in Iowa as in Michigan, were non-native plants that people had imported to provide us with the lawn we wanted. As a native plant the rose was quite capable of out-competing the real invaders.

Phragmites is merely doing what it does well; informed by centuries of competition with other plants, it is occupying mostly vacant space, growing and reproducing as fast as it can. That we don't like the view is not by itself sufficient reason to marshal the public in a war on it. Private control of Phragmites or almost any other plant is for the owner of the property to decide as long as that control harms no one else's property. The use of any public money

should be approached with great care. Phragmites is a private problem, not a public one.

If we want to eliminate Phragmites from some parts of our coastline, we can certainly do that, but let us not pretend that we are battling some invader in order to whip up public interest. If we have some patience, Phragmites will revert to its usual role of occupying recently bared wet ground. Were we to successfully remove Phragmites from Beaver Island or any of the local townships, for example, it would merely re-invade from the other thousands of sites in Michigan where it has been present for many years. The Phragmites that arrived might be even more competitive than the current resident.

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Tea for mom

Tyler Ostrum and his mom are pictured at the first grade Mother's Day Tea at Charlevoix Elementary School. The moms were invited into the classroom for singing, poems, and treats in celebration of Mother's Day.

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Country's top businesses

HARBOR
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T. Parker Sr. until the early 80s when Tim's father Ted took over.

Tim then became president in January 2008.

"I started mowing the lawn when I was in junior high and I have progressed through various positions over time," Parker said. "It's different having to worry about all areas of the company, but I have a great management team I have worked with for a long time."

While so many businesses face hardship due to the state

of the economy, Parker said he has situated his business to survive the downturn.

"The biggest change in general is the economy. It's been kind of a wild time to have this transition, but virtually every sector is facing the same cycle," he said. "We're definitely lighter than we would have wanted, but business has picked up to where we have some (extra) temporary employees on in Charlevoix and we are optimistic and hope we already felt bottom."

Parker said his current products are aligned with the right customer base to keep Harbor growing well into the

future.

Both companies combined have a total of nearly 300 employees with the bulk of more than 200 in the Charlevoix plant.

"I think it's better for us not to be tied to a large corporation, especially now," Parker said. "It allows us to make decisions based on our values and beliefs more than you can in a large corporate environment — a lot of times they make decisions strictly on financial matters without factoring in their personal beliefs."

Parker said his father instilled in him at a young age

the importance of doing what is right for the company, the employees and the community.

"I think my dad's overriding company philosophy is being good people — that's first and foremost," he said. "And, do what's right."

Among Harbor Industries' many products are display stands for video stores, flooring outlets and even complete furnishings for changing rooms for national chains like Target stores.

The Parkers were expected to accept their most recent award on May 18 in Washington, D.C.

Local dealership seeks answers

FOX
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"It's really sad," she said. "It's not our dealers' fault. We've got some great dealers."

Contact Ryan Bentley by e-mail at rbentley@petoskeynews.com or news arriving.

Mary Foster, one of four siblings who operate Fletch's of Petoskey — which carries Buick, Pontiac and GMC — said the lack of an elimination notice was "a tremendous relief for the employees (and) for us, too."

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THAT'S MY PHOTO!

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PHOTO BY FRED SIEGWART

Charlevoix reader Fred Siegwart submitted this picture of a snowy owl to That's My Photo. Siegwart spotted the owl on April 30, at the corner of Bells Bay Road and US 31.



PHOTO BY JOSEPH SMITH

This picture of a 41-foot boat from Charlevoix's United States Coast Guard rescue station was submitted by Joseph Smith of Charlevoix. The picture, taken on a windy May 1, on Lake Michigan, shows the boat coming back home to port following a day of training in Traverse City.



PHOTO BY KIMBERLY WAY

No, it's not Dracula's castle. Kimberly Way of Charlevoix snapped this picture during a thunderstorm over Lake Michigan on the evening of Thursday, May 7. Here you can see giant lightning bolts cracking through the sky over St. Mary Cement.

Public hearing on contentious boathouse Judge orders ZBA to revisit permit

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

What began with an application for a Round Lake boathouse back in January 2007, has culminated in numerous court filings, accusations of due process violation and now a public hearing.

Neighbors of the 304 East Dixon Ave. property claim they are concerned with the 72-foot by 42-foot boathouse, docks with room for 14 boat slips and a single family residence pro-

posed by James and Patricia Anderson of Grosse Pointe Shores due to proposed dredging and sheer size of the project.

"(The) issuance of a permit to defendants Anderson, without submitting the Anderson application to a public hearing and without any notice to plaintiffs, condoned multiple violations of the zoning ordinance, authorized the creation of nuisance ... and promoted and encouraged the overburdening of the easement traversing plaintiff's properties," stated Bridget Brown Powers,

an attorney for neighboring property owner Elden Johnson. In their suit, opponents to the proposed project have named, among others, the City of Charlevoix, its zoning board of appeals or ZBA and former city planner Gerry Harsch, who retired on Aug. 31, 2007.

While the city attempted to

have a federal court dismiss the suit, it was sent back to the lower local court of 33rd Circuit Judge Richard Pajtas, who back in late March of this year ordered the Charlevoix Zoning Board of Appeals to hold a public hearing and review the permit issued by Harsch.

"They (opponents) feel the

permit was given improperly and they are asking the ZBA to interpret multiple sections of the zoning ordinance that pertain to the issuance of the permit," said current Charlevoix City Planner Mike Spencer. "After they do that the ZBA will have to decide whether the permit should be issued."

The public hearing is scheduled for 6 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, in city council chambers.

The hearing before the ZBA will be to collect public comment only.

The ZBA is expected to then deliberate until June 17 when a decision is expected.

Judge to issue written opinion

WILHELM
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scripts did not reveal any command by Kur to avoid police or refuse to speak with them.

Jarema declined to comment on the ongoing case other than to say, "As the prosecutor, I do not try my case in the paper."

Jarema did say the judge could issue his opinion as early as later this week.

Wilhelm faces charges of breaking and entering a building with intent, a 10-year felony; and malicious destruction to a building, damage of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, a five-year felony.

• Public Forum

Frustrated by how the local criminal justice system has handled the Wilhelm case, Petoskey professor Dale Hull is hosting a public forum on justice and civil rights.

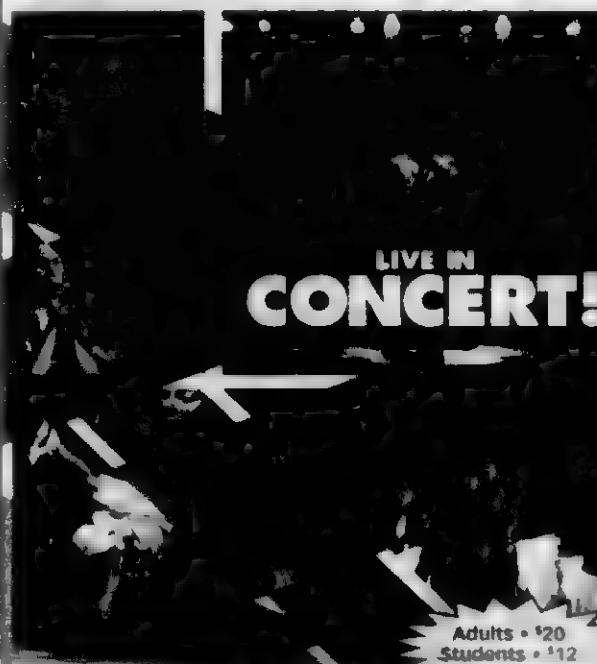
The 7 p.m., June 1 forum at the Charlevoix Public Library is open to the general public.

"Interested citizens are invited to join us in a public forum cen-

tered on the criminal justice system of our community and how that system functions in light of our civil rights and the protection of individual rights afforded us under the Constitution," Hull said. "I find myself ... feeling particularly responsible these days for the general well-being of all the young people in our community."

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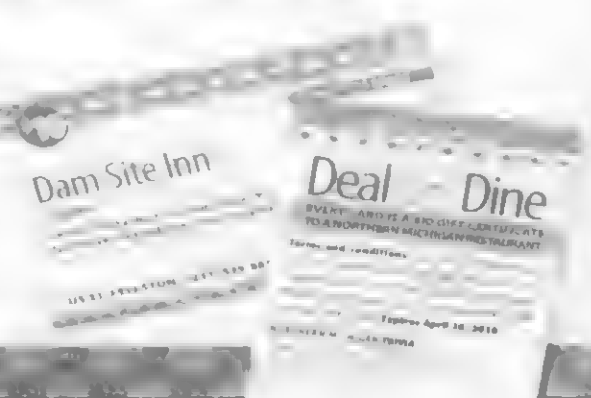
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Send your business news to the Courier at news@charlevoixcourier.com

Fifth Third Bank today announced donations totaling \$25,000 to various United Way organizations in celebration of Fifth Third Day.

Donations include support of The United Way of Bay County, Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, Crawford County, Isabella County, Mason County, Mecosta County, Midland County, Northwest Michigan, Otsego County, Saginaw County and Wexford County.

On the third day of the fifth month each year, or Fifth Third Day, the Bank celebrates its colleagues, customers and communities with special offers at local banking centers as well as special employee and customer activities.

"Fifth Third Bank is pleased to make these donations, totaling \$25,000, in honor of Fifth Third Day, to help the communities we serve build a better tomorrow," said Mark Eckhoff, Community President of Fifth Third Bank Northern Michigan. "Fifth Third Bank is passionate about the Northern Michigan community, and we are honored to support these organizations, among many others, in 2009 and beyond."

With a 2009 charitable giving strategy that focuses efforts on economic development, strong cities and community development, Fifth Third is building a better tomorrow in communities served throughout the Bank's Michigan footprint.



Kids at work

Harbor Industries of Charlevoix observed Take Your Kid To Work Day with various employees and their children participating. Here Selena (far left) and Miranda Vandenbrook take a plant tour with Andy Barger on April 23.

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SPORTS reviewing the action



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Saturday, May 9 marked the start of the Charlevoix Little League baseball season. Here on the infield are the Major League teams (from left) the Rangers, the Tigers and the Diamond-Backs. The first five teams on the outfield are Minor Leaguers (from left) the Reds, the Dodgers, the Astros, the Orioles and the Rays; followed by four teams in the Midget Division, the Muck Dogs, the Express, the Scrappers. Retired coach Dick Putman in honor of Don Potter, the recently deceased baseball advocate who spent many years coaching Charlevoix Little League, threw the first pitch. For more pictures, visit www.MChrisLeese.com.

Rayder girls win two

On May 6, Charlevoix beat Suttons Bay 2-0.

Their record was then 8-1 in the Lake Michigan Conference and 9-2-1 overall.

Charlevoix earned a non-conference win over a good Suttons Bay squad on Wednesday.

The Lady Norsemen played hard but couldn't score as the half ended at 0-0.

Charlevoix came out strong in the second and scored when Maddie Way sent a cross to the goal mouth which was touched by Hallie Bills to Olivia Catt waiting to bury the ball in the net.

The play continued hard until Way again sent

the assist to Taylor Smith who dropped the ball over the goalie for the 2-0 final score.

Charlevoix played well defensively, led by Tammy Potter's 12 saves in the net for her 9th shutout.

Rachel Boss, getting the start at center back played strong all night with help from senior defender Marnie Greene. KC McCary played her usual strong game in the midfield along with Caroline Dupuis touch play on the outside.

On May 4, Charlevoix beat Harbor Springs 3-0.

The Rayders improved to 8-1 in the Lake Michigan Conference with a tough win at Harbor on Monday.

Charlevoix outshot the Rams 21-4 but couldn't put Harbor away until the closing minutes of the second half.

Senior all-stater and co-captain McCary got the Rayders on the board 25 minutes in with an unassisted goal.

In a typical battle between these two clubs, Harbor went to the ball hard all night long and got the Rayders out of their possession style game. Well into the second, the Rams were awarded a penalty kick on a handball in the box.

The shot went wide and Charlevoix maintained the 1-0 advantage.

Charlevoix then picked up

its pace of play and began getting more chances.

With seven minutes left, the Rams keeper came out a bit too far and sophomore Abbey Barnes lofted a ball over her head toward the net.

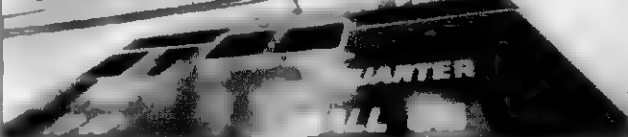
Smith followed the pass and put the game away with the Rayder's second goal.

Moments later, senior Catt sent a cross to junior Dupuis who put the match away with the final goal.

Charlevoix got good defensive efforts from all state back Meridith Rich, Hannah Doan and Marnie Greene.

All-State Keeper Potter earned her eighth shutout of the season with four saves on the night.

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Dated: April 29, 2009
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Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Henry T. Sanders, a married man, and Marilyn P. Sanders, his wife of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Independent Mortgage Company, formerly known as Independent Mortgage Company East Michigan dated the 29th day of March, A.D. 2007, and recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 9th day of April, A.D. 2007, in Liber 798, Page 567 of Charlevoix Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$753,956.54 (seven hundred fifty-three thousand nine hundred fifty-six and 54/100) plus accrued interest at 7.375% (seven and three seven five) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of June, A.D. 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Evaline, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

TOWNSHIP OF EVALINE, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE CENTER LINE OF THE CHARLEVOIX BOYNE CITY HIGHWAY 50 FEET WEST OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SECTION 24, TOWN 33 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, EVALINE TOWNSHIP, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE NORTH PARALLEL TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE AND 50 FEET THEREFROM 513.3 FEET TO THE SHORE OF LAKE CHARLEVOIX; THENCE ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 58 DEGREES 00' WEST 168.3 FEET

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West, thence North 0 Degrees 06 Minutes 14 Seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.38 Feet to a point in the center line of Deer Lake Road; thence South 34 Degrees 08 Minutes East along said center line 101.68 Feet; thence continuing along said center line South 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds East 168.32 Feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the Easterly line of the Earnest F. Moore property as

recorded in Land Contract, Liber 229, Page 537, Charlevoix County Records, 58.67 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of Deer Lake Road; thence continuing North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 line of said Section; thence North 89 Degrees 33 Minutes 37 Seconds East along said South 1/8 line 3.67 Feet to a T-iron Stake; thence South 33 Degrees 20 Minutes 43 Seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron Stake; thence South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 213.99 Feet to a T-iron Stake on the Northeastly line of said road; thence continuing South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 62.59 Feet to the Center line of said road; thence North 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said center line 373.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2009
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
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THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 43 DEGREES 25' WEST 148.5 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR THIS DESCRIPTION, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 43 DEGREES 25' WEST 85.1 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42 DEGREES 50' WEST 231.6 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 37 DEGREES 55' WEST 614.2 FEET TO THE CENTER LINE OF THE CHARLEVOIX-BOYNE CITY HIGHWAY; THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF SAID HIGHWAY TO A POINT WHICH IS SOUTH 23 DEGREES 18' WEST 571.6 FEET FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE NORTH 23 DEGREES 18' EAST 571.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THIS INCLUDES ALL LAND TO THE WATER'S EDGE OR OTHERWISE

Commonly known as: 6533 Ferry Road
PPN: 006-124-031-00

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2009
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James C. Bari, a married man, and Julie Bari, his wife, (original mortgagor(s)), to Independent Mortgage Co., Central MI Mortgage, dated August 22, 2003, recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for Charlevoix County, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Four And 43/100 Dollars (\$123,004.43), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 2009
NANTZ, LITOWICH, SMITH, GIRARD & HAMILTON, P.C.
Attorneys For Mortgagee
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Dated: May 20, 2009
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 8, Johns Subdivision No. 1, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 189 and 190, Charlevoix County records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 20, 2009
For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
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An UNDIVIDED 25% INTEREST IN UNIT 50, THE CABINS, BEING FRACTIONAL ID "D", ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 411, PAGE 939 CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 419, PAGE 752, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND SECOND AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 518, PAGE 575, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 126, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED

Commonly known as: 01285 Powder Ridge Dr #500, Boyne Falls, MI 49713.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 2009
NANTZ, LITOWICH, SMITH, GIRARD & HAMILTON, P.C.
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lori Baker, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 11, 2007, and recorded on December 19, 2007 in Liber 830 on Page 811, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Four And 34/100 Dollars (\$129,104.34), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

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Dated: May 20, 2009
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with the legal costs and charges of sale, including the attorney fees allowed by law and in the mortgage, and any sums that may be paid by the mortgagee subsequent to the date of this notice to protect its interests in the premises.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from date of sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with Michigan Compiled Law 600.3241a. If determined to be abandoned pursuant to this law, the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale or 15 days from the date the required notice of abandonment is posted and mailed, whichever is later.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made August 8, 2006, by Benjamin A. Hamel, a single man, as mortgagor, to First Community Bank, as mortgagee, and recorded on August 22, 2006, at Liber 762, Page 846, Charlevoix County Records. This mortgage has been modified by modifications of mortgage dated May 8, 2007, and recorded on May 25, 2007, at Liber 804, Page 606, and dated February 20, 2009, and recorded March 4, 2009, at Liber 878, Page 734, both Charlevoix County Records. The latest modification also added the dower interests of Tamara June Hamel to the lien of the subject mortgage. The entire balance secured by said mortgage having become fully due and payable by reason of the acceleration provisions contained in said mortgage and the promissory note secured thereby; and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice \$294,936.45; and no legal or equitable proceeding having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by the mortgage; and the power of sale contained in the mortgage having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on Friday, June 19, 2009, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., in the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, in Charlevoix, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, the premises described in the mortgage, situated in Hayes Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and described as follows:

UNIT 4, SUMMERHILL, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 405, PAGES 371 THROUGH 439, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CONDOMINIUM PLAN NO. 116, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED. 15,007,570,004.00

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale

Dated: May 13, 2009
First Community Bank
Mortgagee

200 E. Main Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Joel D. Wurster (P48708)
Attorney for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 2450, Petoskey, MI 49770
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Douglas B. Waha, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2001, and recorded on June 4, 2001 in Liber 421 on Page 479, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Four Hundred Nineteen And 87/100 Dollars (\$94,419.87), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 12, 2009.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John A. Mundell III and Katherine L. Mundell, by John A. Mundell III her attorney in fact, signing pro forma to perfect lien only, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 4, 2005, and recorded on November 16, 2005 in Liber 716 on Page 781, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Three Hundred Ninety And 84/100 Dollars (\$290,390.84), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS: Camp McSaub

Needs your help
Due to decreased grant-giving in recent months, Camp McSaub has lost its funding source which used to fund scholarships for needy area campers.

Now a nine-week day camp, Camp McSaub offers a week-long welcome back party with traditional and new camp games and activities; week two is Native American Week where you can learn traditions games and crafts; week three is United We Stand, a patriotic week of fund and games; week four is Super Sports, for everything sport related; week five is Survivor Week: who will be the last to survive the challenge?; week six is Fun Factor during Venetian Week; week seven is Camp Hawaii where you will learn lei making, hula dancing and more; week eight is the Camp Olympics with gold, silver and bronze medals for event winners; and week nine is Wacky Week.

Camp sessions run from June 15 to Aug. 14 and cost is \$85 per session; session five costs \$70.

Call 547-3253 for more information or pick up a copy of the Camp McSaub brochure with attached registration form at City Hall.

Also new this year is the Tyler Hoffman Memorial Scholarship Fund which will help fund scholarships to needy area campers.

Send monetary donations to the Charlevoix Recreation Department, Tyler Hoffman Memorial Scholarship, 210 State St., Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., May 24, at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Local cemeteries

Will be decorated with American flags by veterans as soon as the shipment of flags is received by the American Legion, Charlevoix Post.

In preparation for its 10th annual book sale

On Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library are accepting gently used books for resale. Donations can be dropped off daily in the Mason Street lobby of the library. Please do not leave books without covers, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Proceeds from this sale go to the children's department of the library.

Charlevoix Skatepark

Opens May 2; Weekends only through June 8. Noon to dusk; Summer hours noon to 9 p.m. daily; Fridays 3 p.m. to dusk; A helmet is required. Call 675-4505 for more information.

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.amrcnlm.org for information on the American Red Cross' April classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens: Preventing disease transmission.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Health classes

Free classes and lectures being offered at Harbor Health and Fitness. Call 547-8000 or get your calendar of events from 110 Clinton St. Donations are accepted for the classes to help Harbor Health and Fitness purchase an Automated External Defibrillator.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fire Native Talking Circle

Meets at 6:30 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Family of Faith Church

Events are located at

203 East Upright St. in Charlevoix.

Saturday Night Alive - Doors open at 6:30 p.m., services at 7 p.m. every Saturday night. Experience God through music, drama, video, speakers and much more at. Call 547-4221 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society mu-

Winter hours: The side office door will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for those who need to conduct society business or make a purchase from the museum store. The museum is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@char-unitedway.org. Char-Em United Way is planning to hold an informal meeting in early summer to gather United Way alumni, update them on activities and plans of the local United Way, and solicit their advice. Local United Way leaders are planning to develop a Loaned Executive program and would like to incorporate best practices of other communities.

United Way campaign

With only one month before it makes annual Community Investment Allocations, Char-Em United Way announces that it is nearing 90 percent of its campaign goal.

The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge grant to United Way if it meets the campaign goal.

Tax-deductible contributions to the United Way 2008-2009 Campaign can be mailed to P.O. Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770. Gifts can be made online by going to www.char-unitedway.org and selecting "Give." For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@char-unitedway.org.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Mondays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

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NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Girl Scout cookies

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders at cookie booth sales which will be available in local stores such as Glen's and Kmart in Charlevoix until May 31. Cookies may be ordered from their Web site www.gsmists.org or call (866) 566-7434. Cookies sell for \$3.50 per box. Purchase of the cookies can also be donated to the military troops as well as food pantries in the area. Troops retain a percentage of the price of each package to fund activities such as field trips and community service projects planned by the girls throughout the year. Proceeds also help the council deliver programs for the girls, provide training and materials for adult volunteers, and maintain local Girl Scout camps. Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore serves more than 20,000 girls with the support of nearly 4,500 adult volunteers in our 30 counties.

Odmark dedication singer search
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MAY 21

NWA graduation
Northwest Academy of Charlevoix will graduate its largest ever senior class of 12 at 7 p.m., May 22 in the King's Court at Castle Farms. A reception with refreshments will follow the graduation ceremony.

MAY 23

Softball for men and women
Deadline to sign up for softball is 5 p.m., May 23. Call 547-3253 for more information or see Ike Boss in the recreation department, Charlevoix City Hall.

Girls Softball

The Charlevoix Recreation Department will offer a recreational league for young girls seeking to learn a variety of basic skills and the fundamentals of girls fast-pitch softball. This is for girls ages 7, 8, 9 and 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. beginning June 2 and ending July 2 at the City of Charlevoix Ball Fields. There will be local play only with no travel. Cost is \$20. Registration deadline is Friday May 15. Deliver completed form to Charlevoix Recreation Dept., 210 State Street. Girls previously registered at the Recreation Dept. need not reapply. This league is intended to be non-competitive and provide additional assistance for players looking to continue on with the girls division of fast-pitch Little League.

We need your help. Volunteer coaches or assistants are needed.

For more information, contact Ike Boss at 547-3235 or Annette Neshurg at 547-5111.

MAY 25

Memorial Day parade
Charlevoix American Legion Post 226 will again host the Memorial Day Parade in Charlevoix. Following is the schedule of events:

9 a.m. wreath laying ceremony at the Flag Pole, Brookside Cemetery, with the National Anthem, Lincoln's Address and Firing Party.

9:30 a.m. marching units assemble on East Garfield St.

10 a.m. Parade begins north on Bridge Street.

10:10 a.m. Parade halts to decorate Veterans Monument.

10:15 a.m. Parade turns east on to Mason Street and terminates at East Park Stage where ceremonies continue.

Interment weather location is Charlevoix Middle School gymnasium.

MAY 26

DDA Notice

The Charlevoix Downtown

MAY 19

Charlevoix Public Schools spring concert

At 7 p.m., in the Charlevoix High School gym, musicians featuring sixth- through 12th grade performers will play everything from The Beatles to the William Tell Overture.

MAY 20

Young Life in Charlevoix meetings begin at 7 p.m., May 20 at the library. Young Life is a non-denominational, Christian organization which seeks to help disinterested and unchurched middle school and high school students see, hear, and experience Jesus Christ.

For more information, contact Chip Sauer at 547-9482 or go online to www.younglife.org.

Sign-up for Pop Warner Football for children off all ages is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on May 20 and 21 at the Charlevoix Middle School cafeteria. Call 547-0511 and ask for Andy or Stacey Stewart for more information.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Development Authority did not meet on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 210 State St., City Hall, in the city Council Chambers as scheduled.

The next scheduled meeting of the DDA will be on May 26, 2009. A complete agenda will be posted prior to the meeting.

The Conservation and Renewable Energy (C.A.R.E.) group is sponsoring a winter "Cabin Fever" movie series at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The movies are free, and start at 7 p.m.

• May 26 - The COOLFUEL Road trip Series #1 - 16,000 miles around the USA without gas.

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The Tall Ship Denis Sullivan will arrive in port Charlevoix on Thursday evening, May 27. The ship has been booked by school groups for the full day on Friday, May 28.

Denis Sullivan will be available for local and area people to tour the ship during the morning hours on Saturday May 29.

An afternoon sail from noon to 2 p.m. has been scheduled and reservations from local residents and interested persons will be available for an afternoon sail from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

On Sunday, the ship will be open for tours from 9 a.m. to noon.

Afternoon sailing excursions will be available to local individuals or groups upon request.

On Monday, June 1, the Denis Sullivan will be available for student sailing trips in the morning and afternoon.

All student trips will take 50 total passengers for two or three hour excursions.

For more information on the educational trips, contact Gary Stutzman at gstutzman@nwa.edu or (231) 675-4800.

For more information or to sign up for a leisure trip, call 237-0000.

MAY 21

Zonta is Showing "A Walk to Beautiful" at 5:30 p.m., May 28, at the Charlevoix Public Library. This Nova film shows the lives of women who suffer from Obstetric Fistula. The event is free.

Blood drive

10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., May 28 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive.

MAY 31

Buddhism gathering

There is a Buddhism meeting scheduled for 11 a.m., May 31 in Charlevoix. Light refreshments following. Those interested can call Jeanne at 547-5593 or Donna (231) 675-1548. You can also visit www.sgi-usa.org for more information about the organization. Everyone is welcome to attend.

MAY 30 - JUNE 23

Artist reception and show from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at City

cling Salamander Art Gallery, 2217 US 31 South

JUNE 1

Civil rights discussion

At 7 p.m., June 1 at the Charlevoix Public Library, there will be a community discussion on civil rights and the state of the criminal justice system. This even is open to the public.

JUNE 2

Demo host SOS candidate

At 7 p.m. on June 2, at the Charlevoix Public Library, Jocelyn Benson, candidate for Michigan Secretary of State, will be in Charlevoix to engage voters in a discussion of the Secretary of State's role to ensure "fairness, access to government, and integrity in the electoral process."

Benson, a professor of Law at Wayne State University, will begin what she describes as a "collaborative effort to make the office of Secretary of State more responsive to the voters of Michigan."

The meeting is open to the public and will be preceded by a dinner, at your own cost, at 5:30 p.m. at The Villager in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Bill Lovett at 547-3592 or e-mail at lovett@freeway.net.

Blood drive

Noon to 5:45 p.m., June 2, at East Jordan Civic Center 101 Civic Center Lane

JUNE 3

Day of Caring

Are you a non-profit agency with a project you

just never get finished—or started? Would your business or service group like to give back to the community? Are you and your friends

looking for a meaningful day out? Join the Char-Em United Way for its annual Day of Caring Kick-off at 12:30 p.m. on June 3 at the

library in Charlevoix. A presentation, list of projects and lunch are on tap. Call 237-6214 or 237-6202 for more information



Tri 4 Fun

PHOTO BY JEREMY MCBAIN, NEWS-REVIEW
Fay Keane of East Jordan is seen running in the run/walk portion of the annual Tri 4 Fun triathlon in Charlevoix on Saturday, May 16. The triathlon also included a biking and swimming portion.



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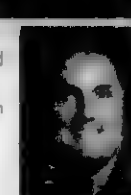
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Board deliberates on boat house

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

After more than five hours of testimony on James and Patricia Anderson's proposed Round Lake boat house, the city zoning board adjourned to deliberate.

Charlevoix Zoning Board of Appeals members listened as opponents to the 3,096 square foot project presented their case that the proposed boat house does not meet city zoning requirements, and that their current permit should be voided.

"The zoning code, that's our protective covenant here," said neighboring property owner and project opponent Eldon Johnson. "Why would anybody issue this permit? This permit was issued without authority and illegally."

Johnson's attorney cited several reasons they believe

the proposal does not meet city code including their claim that the lot to be used for the construction of both a house and boat house is actually two lots; that the boat house must be limited to boat storage, but that it cannot be with the planned bathroom and shower facilities; that the proposal's footprint would exceed the maximum square footage allowed of 3,400; and that, due to the planned amenities, the boat house actually qualifies as a second residence.

However, the major sticking point during testimony was whether the boat house was considered attached or detached to the proposed residence.

The opposition argued that it was not attached since the only connection between the proposed primary residence and the boat house would

be a patio, but the Anderson's exhibited a three-dimensional model of the plan which clearly shows a hall and breezeway from a sub-basement elevator to the boat house.

"If you can get to point 'a' from point 'b' without going outside, I'd say that's attached," James Anderson said.

While this is the first public hearing before the city on the project, the issue goes back several years.

The Andersons were awarded their zoning permit for their 300 East Dixon Ave. property back in January, 2007, without a public hearing, spurring opponents to sue.

The matter went through several courts before 33rd Circuit Judge Richard M. Pa-

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Keeping Charlevoix beautiful

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Gale Neff toughed the chilly weather in shorts and sandals to install Charlevoix's perennial favorite of an annual flower, the petunia during the community-wide petunia planting party along five miles of US31/Bridge Street in Charlevoix on Thursday, May 21.

One motion granted, one denied

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix Judge Richard M. Pajtas denied one, and granted one, motion filed by the defense attorney Mary Beth Kur in the Charlevoix High School vandalism case in his May 21 opinion.

In the 33rd Circuit Judge's 17-page assessment, he denied Kur's motion to disqualify the Charlevoix County

Prosecutor and sheriff office, and the request to have all charges against her client dropped, but did grant her motion to have the preliminary examination testimony of key witness Jason Faulkner admitted in his absence.

"I am going to read it and digest it and figure out what options there are," said Charlevoix County Prosecutor John Jarema.

The case involving Austin Wilhelm, a Charlevoix high graduate accused of vandalizing a school project house back in May, 2008, with both liquid and aerosol paints, took a turn in recent weeks when the trial was adjourned so Pajtas could hear the motions.

In her motions, Kur claimed her client could not get a fair hearing after a detective on

the case looked at her cross-examination questions when over 700 of her client's family's e-mails were seized.

Kur also claimed she was disadvantaged when she did not receive various documents from the prosecution until several days before the original trial date of May 11.

Finally, Kur felt that the prosecution's treatment of Faulkner had been so abusive

that he refused to come back to Michigan from Oregon to testify for a second time, and that his original testimony at the preliminary examination should be used.

The judge found that there will still be ample time for Kur to prepare for trial and that her cross-examination questions were likely only seen by one detective who could be called to testify in

the trial. Pajtas also ruled that Faulkner's testimony at the preliminary examination is valid and can be used in lieu of his coming back to Michigan.

Kur could not be reached by press time. A scheduling conference has been set for 8:10 a.m. June 5, so new trial dates may be scheduled.

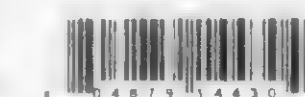
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BIRTHS

Bryce Jaxon Yager, was born to Mark and Tanya (Drost) Yager of Loudon Tennessee at 2:36 p.m. on April 23, 2009.

Bryce weighed 5 pounds 7 ounces and was 19 inches long at birth.

Grandparents are Chris and Danya Drost, Deborah (and the late Mark) Yager all of Charlevoix. Great-grandparents are Carl and D'Ann Rothenberger, Margaret (and the late Eugene) Drost all of Charlevoix, and Lillian and Richard Stevens of Ohio and Marcella (and the late Mac) Yager of Tennessee.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Brian Douglas Tremblay, 31, Elmira and Elizabeth Anne Ulrich, 24, Charlevoix.

Joshua David Snyder, 20 and Brittany Paige Amick, 20, both of East Jordan. Jonathan David Bolen, 26 and Alicia Marie Szumski, 26, both of South Bend, Ind.

Nicholas James Amato, 28, Boyne City and Alayna Lin-Chi Leong, 28, Centerville, Ohio.

Joshua Richard Elzinga, 17, Boyne Falls and Samantha Jean McClure, 17, Boyne City.

Walter Ray Whitaker III, 29 and Sophie Renee Hartwick, 24, both of Grand Junction, Colo.

Franklin James Potter, 47, and Linda Lou Frye, 70, both of East Jordan.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Creative Depih Web Design, 18731 Clipperview Road, Norwood, by John Anthony.

Great Lakes Site Development Inc., 1441 Lexamar Drive, Boyne City, by Christopher and Jane Furness.

DEW Transportation, 11040 Roberts Road East, Charlevoix, by Winfield J. Scott.

Krayola Kids Child Care, 300 East Division St., Onica Stauffer.

Michigan Internet Video Productions, 6416 Old US 31 South, Charlevoix, by Eric Berarducci.

RJ's Floor Covering, 01030 Anderson Road, Boyne City, by Raymond J. Aed III.

Michigan Medical Massage, 310 Robinson St., Charlevoix, by Christina Campbell.

Boyne Mountain Tennis Academy, Boyne Mountain Road, Boyne Falls, by William L. Perlmutter and Larry H. Stark.

Windy Hill Farm, 08838 Upper Bayshore Road, Charlevoix, by Bruce L. and Connie M. Wood.

Counseling Care of Northern Michigan, 648 Boyne City Road, Boyne City, by Anita Kay Miller.

Adams Painting Co., 1739 Wildwood Heights, Boyne City, by Lindsey W. Adams.

Mike Webb Construction, 308 State St., East Jordan, by Michael J. Webb.

Scenic Drive Services, 306 Belvedere, Charlevoix, by Michael E. Brown and Sydney Page.



Holy origami!

Yukiko Chase, dressed in a traditional Japanese kimono, teaches the children at the Charlevoix Children's House the art of origami or paper folding, as part of their exposure to Asia. Pictured with Yukiko are Lauren Shepard (left) and Sydney Page.

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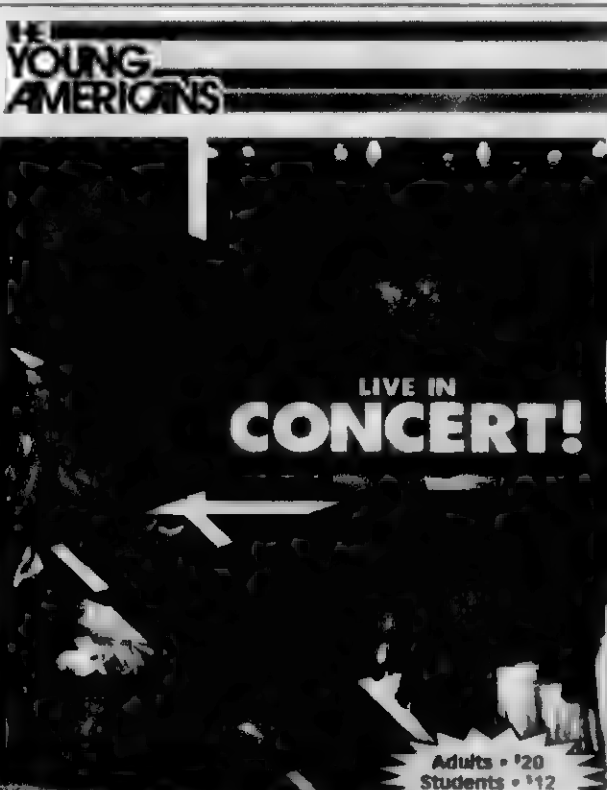


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Just say Know

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A Florida drug test manufacturer was so inspired by a recent Courier article (Pills up, coke down, May 6) on area drug use, he's decided to take action.

Douglas Chinchar, vice-president of the Know Drug Test company, is donating \$1,000 worth of at-home drug tests to the Bay Area Substance Education Services (BASES) Teen Center.

"I'd be happy to share them with families who can't afford them," said BASES director Scott Kelly. "In a year, I may give out 20 to 25 tests, but that's with no publicity. If it was advertised then that number might jump to 70 to 100."

Chinchar was researching drug use rates in different states when he spotted the Courier article online at www.charlevoixcourier.com.

"We're having the same problem out here and we're donating tests to various schools and places that we

think are trying to do the right thing," he said. "This is the kind of thing you have to follow up on. You don't just hand something out; you've got to talk with your kids."

Chinchar's drug test differs from other tests on the market in several major ways:

- The test is over-the-counter and FDA approved as accurate for marijuana, cocaine, amphetamines, opiates and methamphetamine.

- The test's results can be laboratory confirmed.

- The test itself is really less important than the packaging in which it comes.

"It's a drug test, but more importantly, it's a conversation starter," Chinchar said of the black box with bright lettering.

What may be the most

unique aspect of the test is that it has a magnet affixed to the rear of the roughly five inch by three inch box.

"It's a great way to start a conversation with your kids about drugs," Chinchar said. "Put that on the face of your refrigerator and wait, and your kids will come to you."

Chinchar hopes that, not only will the drug test's presence in a prominent place like on a refrigerator door will stir curiosity in children, but will also act as a deterrent.

"How many times does a kid come home to an empty house?" he said. "Even if the parents aren't around, the box is constantly talking to you because you see it on the refrigerator every day."

Chinchar added, "And, other families will see that box ... and bring it up in conversation and then parents start talking and then they buy one and it almost takes on a life of its own."

While the test is simple to use, Chinchar said, "Our hope is that you will never have to use it."



Pink Ribbon Ride

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Join the 7th Annual Pink Ribbon Ride on June 20 to raise funds and awareness for cancer and help the Circle of Strength, Charlevoix Area Hospital and the Kathleen Jontz Breast Health Fund through Northern Michigan Regional Hospital. The ride, in memory of Kathleen McDonald, has four routes: 55, 42, 20 and 7 miles, that take you in and around Lake Charlevoix and the surrounding communities. Pre-registration forms are available at www.bike4breastcancer.org or print out a form to mail in. The cost is \$30 per person/\$50 per family. An array of prizes will be awarded. You may also register on-site for \$35/\$60 per family at 7 a.m.; ride begins at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to become a sponsor, contact Sue Morris at (231) 536-7066 or penbryn@charter.net. Pictured are Fred Broeofske (left) and Mike Shaw, two of last year's fundraisers.

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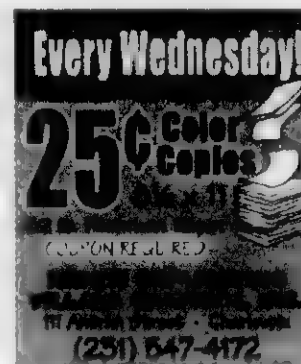
Retirees at work

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The Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel had their first meeting on May 20, at Boyne City's old middle school. Fifty members in attendance were asked to donate items for the Food Pantry to be distributed to Charlevoix, Boyne City, East Jordan, and Ellsworth. At 6 p.m. on June 17, a dinner meeting will be held at Greensky Hill, and will be hosted by Greensky Hill Men's Club. Important information regarding health benefits and legislative measures will be presented. Area Director, Art Mills, will preside and answer questions. For more information, call 547-4995. Pictured are (from left) Eleanor Sadowski, Bee Reinhardt, Maxine Bergman, Linda Poole and Mary Allen.

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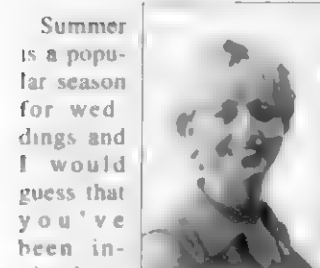
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'Tis the season to be married



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Summer is a popular season for weddings and I would guess that you've been invited to one or two or maybe it is you that will be taking the plunge. As a non-denominational officiant I've had the chance to see a variety of events unfold that were not part of the wedding planners agenda. In the end these unplanned events always add to the memories of the wedding day and provide something to share at future family reunions. My advice for brides and grooms is to keep it simple.

For those of you not married yet, you may disagree, but for those readers currently in wedded bliss you'll understand this information quickly.

I had the pleasure of officiating a Portuguese wedding that took place in a lovely garden adjacent to a beautifully restored Victorian ho-

tel. The manager of the establishment thought it would be nice to have the bride enter the garden from the back entrance of the hotel. What the manager didn't realize was the bride's inability to speak or read English.

The guests were peacefully sitting in the pristine white chairs and you could almost see them sway to the lilt of the harpist announcing the bride's entrance.

They were quickly aroused from their somber state as the bride walked through a door marked "Fire Exit Only-Alarms will Sound."

Well I guess it's always nice to have a few extra guests.

This same wedding followed the Portuguese tradition of signing the marriage license during the ceremony.

The brand new ball point pen I brought did not carry the weight needed to keep the license secure in its setting.

After taking a quick glance to see that everyone and everything was in its place, to my horror I couldn't help but notice that the license was no longer sitting on the table near the flower filled arch.

Something waving to me on a nearby bush caught my

attention. There was the license, flopping wildly in the breeze, taunting me as I had to jump up and down trying to grasp it.

To the guests delight it added a little drama and entertainment before the reception.

At another wedding the bride and groom selected the private beach home of the bride's parents in which to exchange their vows.

This lovely residence faced the water and the guests were seated to take in the best view of the sand and lake colored with many shades of blue.

The groom thought it would be fun to arrive by boat.

While the guests patiently waited for what seemed like a very long time and the violinist had played every song she knew by heart, a cell phone beeped in to let us know the boat bringing the groom was experiencing mechanical difficulties. It needed to be towed to shore.

I really need to practice my 'jokes for weddings' and other time fillers if this should occur again.

The message here is this: avoid grand entrances; there is no going back once you

see an accident unfolding. What follows next is an interesting little tidbit for those of you planning to attend or be part of a destination wedding on a remote island.

A friend of mine attended a wedding that the bride arranged completely through the Internet.

The photos beckoned them with the wonderful beaming sun, white crested waves and coconut filled palm trees.

The wedding was booked and the small bridal party arrived to their destination at awe of the beauty of their surroundings.

They were directed down a path where they were met by a colorfully dressed officiant who patiently awaited their arrival.

With somberness and smiles they quietly gathered beneath the flowers and palms taking in the sounds of nature that surrounded them.

The ceremony was five minutes in when it was interrupted by the giggling of family and friends.

As they looked around they noticed that the people on the beach were naked.

My advice here: if you pick a destination in a warm climate on an island ask if it's a nudist beach first.

Weddings are a memor-

able event, whether you are taking it all in as a guest or as the Maid of Honor. The small upsets of the day are rarely noticed.

If you are attending a wedding this summer this will be a chance to relax and enjoy catching up with friends and family.

Individuals soon to be married will be busy making notes on napkins or programs reminding themselves what to add to their own wedding.

For the bride and groom, what's next on the agenda may not be on the wedding planners agenda.

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Raishevich - Cunningham

Mr. and Mrs. Boris Raishevich of Chester, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Natoshia Raishevich, to Dr. Thomas Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cunningham of Charlevoix, Michigan. Miss Raishevich graduated summa cum laude from Boston University, and is a current doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Dr. Cunningham graduated

from Charlevoix High School in 1999 and graduated cum laude from Western Michigan University in 2003.

He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University on May 16, 2009.

He is currently a health psychologist at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The wedding will take place on Aug. 21, 2009 in Monroe, New York.



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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Charlevoix students named to Dean's List at Northwestern Michigan College.

The Charlevoix County students listed below have been named to the Dean's List for Spring Semester 2009 at Northwestern Michigan College: Jebediah Bailey, Megan Cross, Rodney Gusler and Colleen Smith.

The Dean's List recognizes outstanding academic achievement of full-time students who do unusually well in their studies. Published at the end of each term, the list includes the names of those students who have achieved a current grade point average of 3.5 or above out of a possible 4.0.

Beaver Island Community Schools graduate Melissa Bailey recently graduated from Albion College as cum laude on May 9. She received a degree in English with creative writing. Bailey was one of only 34 students to receive a degree with Albion College Honors, by completing special

honors institute requirements and writing a senior thesis. The honor of cum laude signifies that Bailey graduated with a cumulative grade point average above 3.5. Bailey is the daughter of Michael and Jayne Bailey of Beaver Island.

Central Michigan University senior Ashly Smith of Boyne City was selected to exhibit her work during the university's annual Posters at the Capitol event.

Smith's project, "H? Line Emission Variability in Be-type Stars," examines dust disks around hot stars and observes the disk dynamics and star-disk interactions in an attempt to gain an understanding of stellar disks in the universe and the creation of planets.

Smith, a Boyne City High School graduate, is the daughter of Linda Smith. She is majoring in physics with a concentration in astronomy and minoring in mathematics at CMU.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Selissen, 1959



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Selissens celebrate 50th anniversary

Richard (Dick) Lee and M. Noreen (nee Cross) Selissen, Sr. are pleased to announce the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary by a trip to Branson, MO, along with his best man and brother and sister-in-law Ed and Edie

Selissen who live in Green Bay, Wis.

The couple was married May 16, 1959 in Charlevoix by Victor P. Gallagher.

Dick is retired from the U.S. Coast Guard, he and Noreen are prior owners of

the Flight Deck and Nordic Bar.

Richard (Rick) and Lori Selissen of Boyne City and Sharon (Sherrie) Selissen and Ernie Kallman of Charlevoix are the couple's children. They have four grandchildren: Troy,

Jessica, Jennifer and Tristen Selissen.

Air force honors Charlevoix grad

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix High School graduate Jim Bowman was recently honored after nearly 50 years with the U.S. Air Force.

Raised in Charlevoix, Bowman graduated in 1951 before heading off to college and then eventually a career in military service.

"I left Charlevoix and went to (University of) Michigan where I was on a senior scholarship," he said. "I went to the Air Force Academy when I was 25 and left when I was 74."

Bowman not only played football for the service, but he also spent decades as a coach, athletic administrator and recruiter for the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs.

"I was very honored," he said. "When you stay at a place that many years, you look forward to going to work everyday because of the type of people

you worked with."

Bowman added, "They were the kind of people that had integrity and honor and respect."

Bowman was honored not for his nearly half a century in the service, but for his accomplishments on the football field as a coach, scout, physical education teacher and player during the second annual Air Force Athletic Hall of Fame award ceremony in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Bowman now has a plaque on the "Walk of Honor" on the fourth floor of the Falcon Athletic Center in Colorado, for his efforts to recruit players for the Air Force's Falcon football team over the years.

Bowman fondly recounted his days as a youth in Charlevoix.

"I caddied at Belvedere for a long time as a young guy and I appreciated that coach Kipke was the caddy master," he said. "I enjoyed being raised in Charlevoix and it was a great

place to live and (had) great people."

While Bowman has lived outside Michigan for most of his adult life, he still gets back to see Charlevoix on occasion.

"I got back there about five years ago," he said. "I've always been fond of fishing the area lakes and hunting geese."

Bowman added, "I've got a lot of great memories of people I grew up with there."

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OBITUARIES

Charles Brendan LaBlance: Dec. 4, 1945 - April 8, 2008

Charles Brendan LaBlance, was born Dec. 4, 1945 in Charlevoix, Michigan, and died on April 8, 2008 in Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.

A graveside service is planned at St. Mary's Cemetery in

Charlevoix at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2009 with Father Jerry Hunko officiating. Brendan is survived by two children, Maro (Jason) Lee and George LaBlance; brother Steve

(Becky) LaBlance and sister Georgia (Tom) Boyer.

His parents, George and Edna (Brooks) LaBlance; brothers, John (Glenda) and Tom (Maureen) LaBlance, preceded him in

death.

Brendan was living in Santa Rosa Beach, but his love was always Charlevoix and he requested to be buried here - home at last, Bren.

Gerald E. Left: Aug. 5, 1934 - March 26, 2009

Jerry Left, 74, of Charlevoix, and winter resident of Fort Myers, Fla., died suddenly March 26, 2009, at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Fort Myers.

Jerry was born Aug. 5, 1934, in Chicago, Ill., to Gerald D. and Eleanor (Feiereisel) Left. At age 6, the family moved to Charlevoix, where Jerry attended school, graduating in 1952. He served his coun-

try in the U.S. Air Force for four years, and was honorably discharged in August 1956.

Jerry attended college at CMU, and was employed as a teacher, boat captain on the Great Lakes and for the county transportation company.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Elks, St. Mary's parish in Charlevoix and in the winter attended Our Lady of Light Church in Fort Myers.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 55 years, Kathleen "Kate" M. (Lawless)

Left; sons, Michael Edward Left and Thomas Gerald Left, both of Charlevoix, and Joseph Patrick Left of Petoskey; five grandchildren and his sister, Deanna VanDerwee, of Stevensville, Mich.

The family will celebrate his life at a funeral Mass 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix, with the Revs. Jerry Hunko and Jim Gardiner officiating. Visitation will follow the rosary which will be recited at 7 p.m. Monday, June 1, at St. Mary's.

He was an usher and Eucharistic minister. Jerry loved

his family and activities with the grandchildren. He enjoyed boating, hunting, and loved his yearly cruise with his wife and friends. He always had a fun story to tell.

A funeral service took place Monday, March 30, in the chapel at Woodsmoke Resort in Fort Myers, where many relatives and friends attended.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be sent in Jerry's memory to St. Mary's School, 1003 Bridge St., Charlevoix, Mich. 49720.

Jerry was a man of devotion to his Catholic faith and to his family.

Health program helps unemployed

Subsidies of \$50 per month to help unemployed people pay COBRA health insurance premiums are available for people who involuntarily lost their jobs, even if they declined to take COBRA when they left their jobs or they elected COBRA and later discontinued it.

The Northern Health Plan COBRA Support Program, supported by hospitals and health departments across an eight-county region, supplements federal "stimulus package funds" to extend health insurance benefits for families of people laid off after Sept. 1, 2008.

In this stimulus package, the federal government pays 65 percent of eligible individuals' COBRA payments; the Northern Health Plan COBRA Support Program helps them to pay their 35 percent share.

"We recognize many people who are unemployed will lack the financial resources to pay even the reduced share of their COBRA premium. The Northern Health Plan COBRA Support Program supplements the stimulus package and helps families with health insurance costs," said Linda Yaroch, Deputy Health Officer for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "We

urge everyone who is eligible for COBRA to register for the program so they can get the health care services they need."

To be eligible for the program, residents of the Northern Health Plan service area simply complete a short registration form and send documentation to their local health department on a monthly basis that they have made a COBRA payment.

The health department then reimburses up to two adults in the household up to \$50 each for up to nine months, as long as the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides for premium reductions and opportunities to sign up for

COBRA. The Northern Health Plan service area includes Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Osego and Alpena, Montmorency, Presque Isle counties.

Northern Health Plan has allocated funding for 250 slots for the COBRA Support Program for an eight-county area in northern Michigan, Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Osego in the Health Department of Northwest Michigan Health District and Alpena, Cheboygan, Montmorency, and Presque Isle counties in District Health Department #4 Health District.

The Northern Health Plan is a community partnership of local hospitals and health departments in northern

Michigan to help uninsured people gain access to health care. For more information about the Northern Health Plan COBRA Program, call the Health Department of Northwest Michigan at (800) 432-4121.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality health care, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Osego counties.

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City concerts set

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

City officials are excited about this summer's entertainment line-up and optimistic about their power to draw a crowd.

In addition to staples like Venetian Festival and the Street Legends Classic Car Show, East Park will be filled with tunes from R&B to classic Rock and even family music.

"The goal is to truly make the summer concert series a reason for people to come and spend time downtown," said Downtown Development Authority Executive Director Keith Carey. "Previously I think it was considered a perk if you happened to be downtown ... but it made sense for us to ramp up the visibility of the concert series and offer a wide variety of music throughout the summer."

The concert line-up, with entertainment to last from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. unless otherwise specified, is as follows:

- July 5 - Horton Creek country; West Side Soul Surf, R&B and soul.
- July 12 - The Bostrum Brothers, Celtic; Natalia Zukerman Bottleneck, country jazz.
- July 17 - The Fabulous Oldies But Goodies which is co-sponsored by the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club, oldies—this event will kick off the legends' annual car show in downtown Charlevoix.
- July 19 - The Pub Runners, Irish folk; Jill Jack, folk rock.
- Aug. 2 - Trombones Plus, jazz; Castle Brass, brass band.
- Aug. 9 - Fair Herald, indie rock; The Danny Adler Band, gusha-gusha R&B.
- Aug. 16 - Suzanne & Jim, Americana; Song of the Lakes, Great Lakes world music.
- Aug. 23 - Family Night with Crazy Richard the Mad Juggler from 6 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.; more family entertainment for younger children with Guy Louis from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 30 - Charlie's Root Fusion, Americana/Rockabilly/Blues; The Hard Lessons, innovative, high-energy rock.

For the second year in a row, Bosman's Mercantile is co-sponsoring the summer concert series.

"I think Keith (Carey) did a nice job of getting a variety of musical interests for the park," said Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "It's our first full summer with everything in full swing, including the final touch of the trout stream

and people are already enjoying the water fountain because it's heated."

Kicking off the City Band's concert series will be a night of dedication, music and an ice-cream social when the Charlevoix City Band, directed by Gary Stutzman, plays an evening of music in honor of the new Clarence Odmak Pavilion at 8 p.m., July 7, in East Park.

Odmak, for whom the amphitheater was named, was a Charlevoix fixture serving as the long-time director of the city band and working as the band director for Charlevoix Public Schools.

"He was a violinist, a really fine musician," Stutzman said. "But, he was a person that brought people together of all levels of ability and interest in a common goal of the love of music."

He added, "He left me the legacy to make music and enjoy the music you're making."

The band will be playing some favorites of Odmak's including the Holtz Suite in F and Block M March after a plaque in honor of Odmak is unveiled.

Musicians interested in playing at the dedication ceremony should call Stutzman at (231) 675-4800.

Now, with a finished East Park, visitors to the downtown business district will find amenities including an improved amphitheater, increased seating, new park benches, recycling containers placed around the park, and even a directional kiosk with maps to area hot spots and a listing of events.

Kiosks, expected by mid June, will be placed in Van-Pelt and Hoopskirt alleys in addition to the northwestern corner of East Park, near the giant pine tree.

"We will be locating about a half a dozen bicycle racks around downtown, so we'll be offering more places for people to park their bikes than last year," Carey said.

The six bike racks will be located east of State Street, between Park Avenue and Antrim St., and use of which will be free of charge.

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Charlevoix Area Hospital is offering health screenings

Charlevoix Area Hospital is offering walk-in health screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 3.

Health Screens include Cholesterol and blood Glucose levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a Blood Pressure reading. Cost for the service is \$12.

Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all test results at the time of the screen.

Heath Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse.

The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes. "We had an excellent turnout for our first Wellness Wednesday in May," said Kathy Jacobsen, Community Health Educator for Charlevoix Area Hospital.

"We saw a total of 37 people and their feedback about our program was overwhelmingly positive."

Jacobsen said many insurance companies limit the number of times they will pay for cholesterol testing, usually once per year.

"Most of our participants were very interested in getting healthy and were curious if their cholesterol was on the right track," she said.

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MAY

Swine flu update

Local health department officials met with superintendents from throughout the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District recently to provide an update on the latest safety precautions regarding the H1N1 virus, also known as swine flu.

Health Officer Gerry Chase and Medical Director Joshua Meyerson, MD, of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan cited new guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommending schools and other childcare facilities not close in the event of a suspected or confirmed case of H1N1.

The CDC recommendation states, "school closure is not advised for a suspected or confirmed case of novel influenza A (H1N1) and, in general, is not advised unless there is a magnitude of faculty or student absenteeism that interferes with the school's ability to function."

When the H1N1 flu first arose as a concern, school officials collectively through the ISD contacted the local health department to receive guidance. Within one week, the health department officials were invited to a joint meeting with all the ISD superintendents for them to hear first-hand the latest update on the virus and the CDC recommendations.

At the meeting, Meyerson stressed that no cases of H1N1 flu have been reported or confirmed in the ISD service area of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties.

He reviewed the May 5 CDC update on school and childcare facilities response to H1N1.

As a group, the superintendents concur with the CDC and local health department's

recommendation to not close schools due to a suspected or confirmed case of H1N1 flu. Other CDC recommendations the schools will follow include:

- Students, faculty or staff with influenza-like illness (fever with a cough or sore throat) should stay home and not attend school or go into the community except to seek medical care for at least seven days even if symptoms resolve sooner.

- Students, faculty and staff who are still sick seven days after they become ill should continue to stay home from school until at least 24 hours after symptoms have resolved.
- Students, faculty and staff who appear to have an influenza-like illness at arrival or become ill during the school day should be isolated promptly in a room separate from other students and sent home.

At this time, the CDC recommends the primary means to reduce spread of influenza in schools focus on early identification of ill students and staff, staying home when ill, and good cough and hand hygiene etiquette.

The superintendents agreed to post throughout their buildings the "Learn the facts about H1N1 (Swine Flu)" posters created by the health department. The schools also learned the safety precautions they are currently taking -- to disinfect desks, door knobs, and other surfaces -- is proactively adequate, according to the health department, and no additional recommendations were offered. Many school superintendents discussed hand-washing procedures in place and that most teachers/staff have alcohol-based disinfecting hand wash in their classrooms.

Cough etiquette has also been the subject of numerous class discussions, the superintendents said.

In addition the superintendents committed to provide regular weekly reports of communicable diseases to the local health department.

Although the CDC and local health department have updated their school closure guidance recommendations, each district will continue to follow

their long-established procedures for closing school based on illness or other factors, such as weather.

The superintendents urged parents or community members who may have medical questions about H1N1 to contact their local health care provider.

Questions about school procedures relating to any illness should be directed to the superintendent's office.

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Garden club art contest

COURTESY PHOTO

Charlevoix student artists received awards on Monday, May 11 for their entries in this year's poster contests sponsored by the Charlevoix Area Garden Club at the annual Spring Tea. Fifteen students in First through Fifth Grade were recognized for their poster work in the Smoky Bear/Woodsey Owl poster contest and thirty students in Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade were commended for their entries in the "Gardening with a Native Palette" contest. The winning artwork was on display for an impressive crowd of parents, family and friends of the winning students. Pictured (back, from left) are Olivia Bartell, sixth grade Grand Prize Winner for "Gardening with a Native Palette"; Lori Bolt, Art Teacher at St. Mary School; Hunter Randall, Grand Prize Winner and first overall in the state for fifth grade "Woodsey Owl," (front, from left) Sophia Thompson, first overall in the state for second grade "Smoky Bear"; Lauren Kwapias, first overall in state for third grade "Woodsey Owl." Their four posters will be displayed at the Charlevoix Library.

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"Each year I am truly impressed with the talented and accomplished young men and women who apply for this prestigious nomination," Stupak said. "I look forward to learning more about the bright and driven young people who are eager not only to improve themselves through this opportunity but also committed to serving our great country."

Stupak reminds high school juniors who will be seniors next school year and students currently enrolled in college that they could be eligible for a service academy

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"I greatly value the time and effort the men and women on the Citizens Advisory Committee put into helping select students to represent northern Michigan at our nation's service academies," Stupak said.

To be eligible for an interview, all necessary paperwork must be completed by Oct. 10.

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Application information may be obtained by calling Stupak's Crystal Falls office at (906) 875-3751 or toll free (800) 950-7371.

Additional information can also be found on Stupak's Web site at www.house.gov/stupak by clicking on the "Service Academies" under "Constituent Services" at the top of the home page.



Career, tech awards

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The accomplishments of hundreds of high school students enrolled in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs throughout Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District were recently celebrated. More than 600 students and families attended the annual CTE Recognition Dinner hosted by the ISD. Char-Em ISD supports 40 CTE programs in the 11 public school districts throughout its service area of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties. CTE is an essential component of the total education system and is critical to workforce development, noted Carlin Smith of the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, who served as emcee for the event. Charlevoix High School students Steven Coen (center left) and Justin Friske (center right) look top honors in the ISD-wide Business, Management and Administration stock market challenge. Students started with \$100,000 and acted as broker/investors for 12 weeks, with no more than \$40,000 that could be invested in any one company. Steven turned his initial investment into \$1.6 million, and Justin turned his into \$1.4 million. Charlevoix instructors Kirstie Swanson (left) and Jill Erskine presented the students with trophies at the Char-Em ISD CTE Recognition Dinner.



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John Witherspoon addressed the 2009 graduating class of Northwest Academy during commencement ceremonies on Friday, May 22. With 12 students graduating, this was Northwest's biggest senior class ever.

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Peggy Ware (left) and Joan Robinson braved the cool temperature to plant petunias on Thursday, May 21 along Bridge Street in Charlevoix.



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Ed Linee and Peggy Joy are seen working side by side during Charlevoix's annual petunia planting party. Crews began working early to beat the rain which eventually came later that evening.



Emily Sabsook (left) and Lauren Barting are seen here working on the south side of Charlevoix during the annual petunia planting party last Thursday.

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Mom Erin Nickle plants petunias with her sons Zack (far left) and little one Troy. Hundreds of people turned out for the petunia planting excursion which was followed by a picnic dinner in East Park with live music from Charlevoix Public and Northwest Academy bands.



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Emily Sabsook works to fill the empty dirt troughs with fresh petunias on the northern-most portion of M66 near Glen's Market during the annual petunia planting party.

Grant Oliver (left) and Dan Schwartzfisher battle on the drums during an impromptu jam session following entertainment provided by the Northwest Academy Jazz Band on Thursday, May 21 at the annual community-wide petunia planting party.

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Jim and Anne Fiedler (right) enjoy their picnic dinner in the newly remodeled East Park with family friend Dianna Shull while the Charlevoix Public Schools Band played Disney favorites following the Thursday, May 21 petunia planting in downtown Charlevoix.



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The Bales family from Charlevoix didn't let a few sprinkles stop them from enjoying their picnic lunch of hot-dogs and chips while listening to both the Charlevoix Schools and Northwest Academy schools bands on May 21 after petunia planting was all done.



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Charlevoix Public Schools Band director Jayne Bennett introduces her student musicians during the festivity portion of the petunia planting party in Charlevoix. Thousands of petunias were planted, hundreds of hot-dogs were eaten and the five-mile stretch of highway running through Charlevoix was made ready for another summer season.

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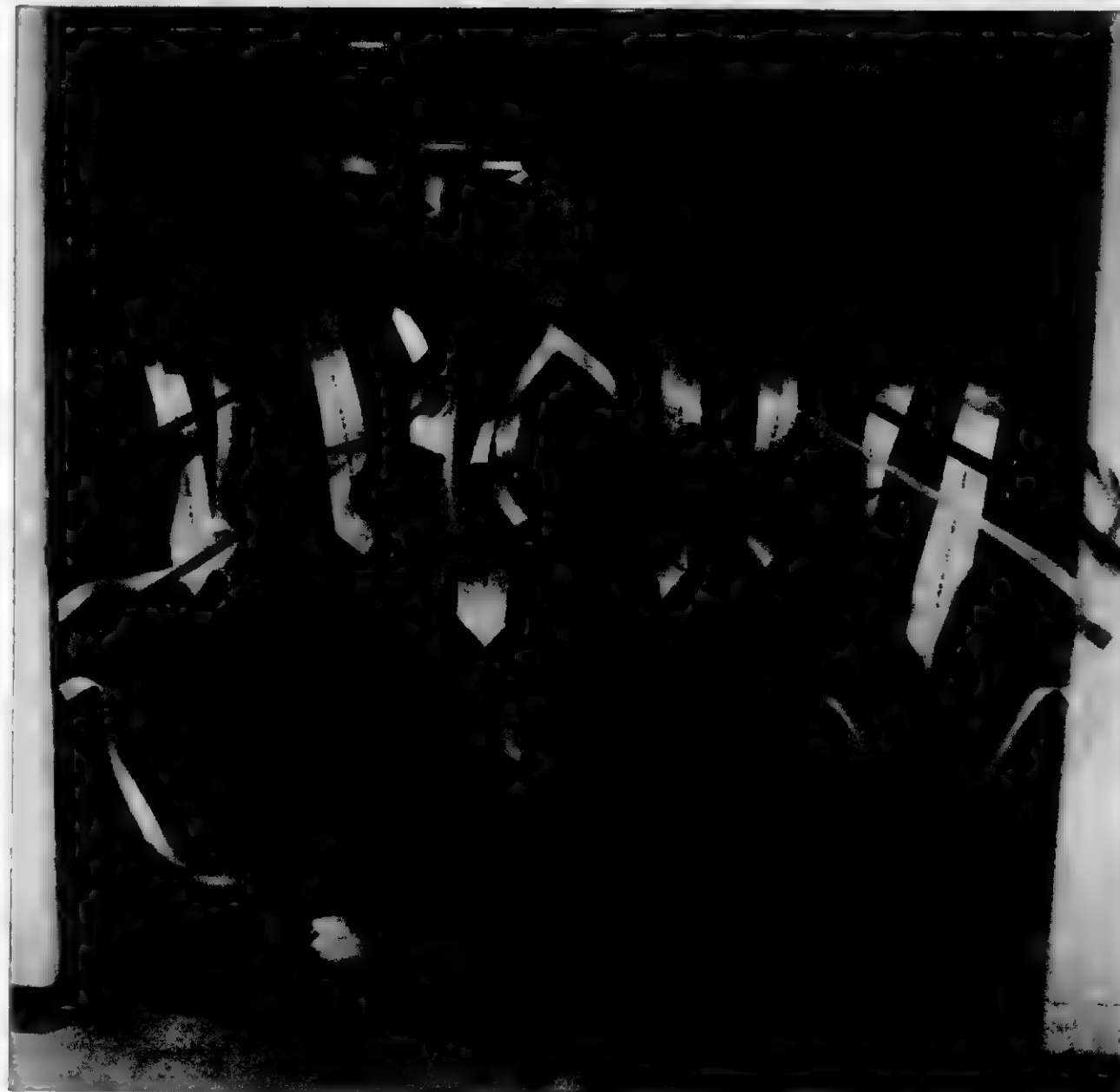


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(Building) The Beaver Island Community School was designed by the architectural design company BETA Design and the contractor was Beaver Gems, Inc. (Ribbon Cutting) The Class of 2009, Caitlin Boyle, Patrick Cull, Maeve Green, Heather McDonough and Deven Cook cut the ribbon on the high school portion of the building. (Flag raising) AMVETS Post 46 members conducted a flag raising ceremony followed by tours of the building and a community picnic on the school's new playground.

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Island's new school complete

BY ELAINE WEST
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

It was truly a community celebration on Saturday, May 23, when a huge crowd gathered to dedicate the new Beaver Island Community School building.

After welcoming remarks from Principal-Superintendent Kathleen McNamara, the island's Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

A number of individuals gave brief remarks at the ceremony, which all centered on a central theme: Beaver Island's long history of acting on the importance of education for their children, and gratefulness for the support and involvement of the entire community in supporting the nearly \$4 million school building project.

Outside the school, a refinished bell from the old McKinley School, which was built

on the same site in 1902 and used until the late 1950s, was dedicated.

AMVETS Post 46 members raised the flag on the school's new flagpole and island resident Joe Reed, retired Marine Corps Major, reflected on the meaning of the stars and stripes.

The graduating class of 2009 cut the ribbon on the high school portion of the building and the kindergarten class, garbed in miniature green and white commencement robes, cut the ribbon on the elementary school side.

Tours were conducted and all the students and staff were on hand to answer questions about the new building and hand out commemorative rulers to the guests.

Then all headed out to the new playground for a community picnic.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder golfers swing a win

BY ANDY SNEEDON
NEWS-REVIEW

Home sweet home.

The Charlevoix High School boys' golf made the most of a chance to play on its home course as the Rayders shot 328 to win the Division III district at the Belvedere in Charlevoix. The Rayders outclassed the field, beating runner-up Kalkaska by 33 strokes.

Charlevoix's Ty Jones and Wyatt Drost each shot 78 to share medalist honors with Kalkaska's John Kasza.

Charlevoix advances to the Thursday, May 28, regional at Katke Golf Course on the campus of Ferris State University in Big Rapids.

The performances of Drost and Jones highlighted an outstanding day for the Rayders as all five Charlevoix golfers placed in the top 10 to earn a medal.

Charlevoix's Thomas Rich shot 84 to place sixth, Gunner Whitley shot 88 to tie for

eight, and Ryan Wimmer shot 89 to tie for 10th. The Rayders were so dominant that they had the luxury of not counting the fifth-player score, Wimmer's 89.

"It's just really gratifying to see that," said Charlevoix coach Doug Drenth, whose team won its third straight district championship. "It was a fun day. They've worked hard and it's always fun to see a group of kids who work hard succeeding, and as a coach, that's all you can ask for."

The tournament was played in wicked winds that Drenth estimated to register up to 30 mph. But the Rayders appeared unfazed on their home course.

"It's a huge advantage (playing at home)," Drenth said. "Our top two scores this year have been at the Belvedere. They (the players) feel so comfortable in

knowing where to hit the ball. We feel very fortunate to be able to play at the Belvedere."

Kalkaska shot 361 to finish a distant second to the Rayders, while Roscommon, 367, was third, followed by Grayling, 374; Benzie Central, 377; Houghton Lake, 379; Manistee, and Mason County Central, 390; Elk Rapids, 406; Boyne City, 414; and Kingsley, 447.

The road gets tougher now at the regional, where only the top three teams advance to the state tournament. At Katke, the Rayders will encounter a strong field that includes Big Rapids, which is ranked No. 1 in the Division III state coaches poll.

"I think we're capable of making it to state," Drenth said. "We're going to have to play well. I'm excited about the opportunity. I know the guys are excited."

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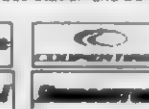
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403(b) plans may allow a Roth option, which allows your earnings to grow tax-free, provided you meet certain conditions. However, your contributions are made with after-tax dollars.)

- Variety of investment options — You should have a variety of investment choices with which to fund your 403(b), so you can build a portfolio that is appropriate for your risk tolerance and time horizon.

Given these features, why aren't more people participating in their 403(b) plans? One key reason seems to be that many eligible employees, especially teachers, also are covered by a pension plan — and they think a pension, combined with Social Security, may be enough to meet their retirement income goals.

But that's probably not true. You'll likely need at least 80 percent of your working income during retirement — and that figure could easily rise, depending on your retirement lifestyle. Consequently, you will need to exploit every single avenue of retirement savings — including your 403(b) plan.

In 2009, you can defer up to \$16,500 of your salary to a 403(b), plus an additional \$5,500 if you're 50 or older. You can put in another \$5,000

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In any case, if you aren't already contributing to your 403(b), start now. And if you already are participating in your plan, make sure you're getting the most out of it — someday, you'll be glad you did.

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Monday, May 18, 2009 — 7:00 p.m.

210 State Street, City Hall, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present.

The following proceedings took place:

Motion by Council member Campbell, seconded by Council member Gennett to approve the contract with the Charlevoix City Band in the amount of \$4,800

Motion by Council member Cole, seconded by Council member Stevens, to approve the contract with the Charlevoix Senior Citizens' Center in the amount of \$5,000.

Motion by Council member Campbell, seconded by Council member Gennett, to approve changes to the age restriction policy at the golf course, allowing children under the age of eight to play at the discretion of the Pro Shop staff and with certain variable time and day restrictions.

Motion by Council member Campbell, seconded by Council member Gennett, to approve parking in the Bridge Park parking lot at the rate of \$150 for 90 days.

Motion by Council member Stevens, seconded by Council member Picha, to adopt the Red Flag Rules identity theft policy for Fire and EMS billing

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

Stephanie C. Brown, Deputy City Clerk

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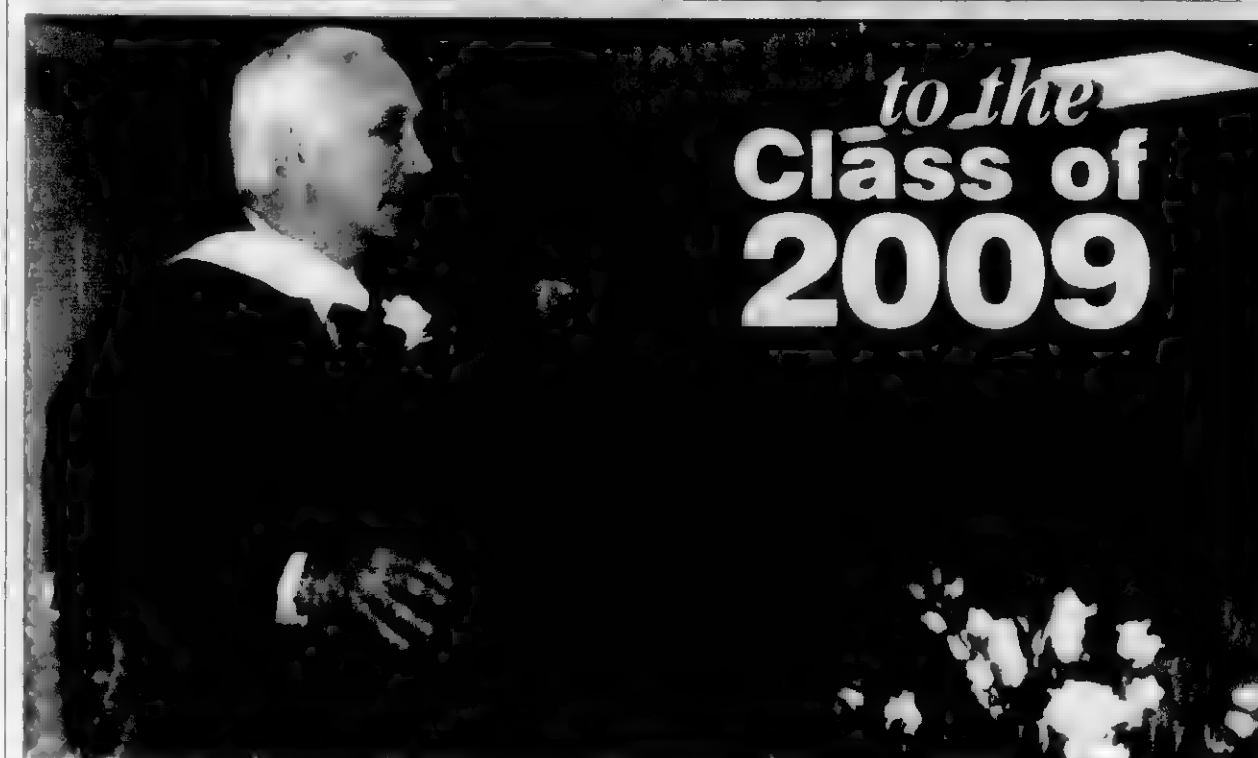
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Alleged arsonist charged

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

When Cory Mylon Haight escaped the 300 Meech St. fire back in April with minor burns, officials say he was victim of his own handiwork.

Haight has been charged with arson of a dwelling, a 20-year felony, for the blaze which destroyed the house in which his wife and children were living.



Haight

"Further that this was an intentionally caused incendiary fire with two areas of origin neither one of them being from the kitchen but instead in the living room."

The 28-year-old Haight pleaded "not guilty" on May 27, via video conference from jail.

Haight, who has been appointed a defense attorney, will be arraigned at 2:45 p.m., June 9 in Charlevoix's 90th District Court.

"I thought the officers did a nice job on quickly resolving this case," said Charlevoix County Chief-Assistant Prosecutor Shaynee Fanara. "Arson can be an extensive, long investigation with an inconclusive result, but here the officers were able, within a short time, to determine it was arson."

This most recent charge comes nearly two months after the April 4 fire, from which Haight was arrested when responding officers discovered Haight was violating a personal protection order on his wife by having been in the dwelling.

He had also been wanted for retail fraud charges.

Haight pleaded guilty on April 7, to third-degree retail fraud for his part in a shoplifting incident in Boyne City and for violating the personal protection order.

According to arresting officer, Charlevoix City Policeman Matt Umulis' affidavit, Haight was searched at the scene and two lighters were found.

Haight was asked if one of the lighters was used to start the fire, to which Haight responded that perhaps the microwave had shorted out and started an electrical fire in the kitchen.

Sgt. Dale Hardy, Michigan State Police Fire Investigator, investigated the fire and it is his opinion that the fire was humanly caused and that there were no other accidental causes found," Umulis stated.

Two guilty in gun thefts

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Two of the three men charged in connection with breaking into a Charlevoix home, stealing and later distributing several guns have pleaded guilty.

Joshua Douglas Hoffman, 17, Traverse City, pleaded guilty to third-degree home invasion, a five-year and/or \$2,000 felony, and receiving and concealing stolen firearms, a 10-year and/or \$5,000 felony.

Antonio Joseph Cepeda-Mulholland, an 18-year-old Charlevoix man, pleaded guilty

to first-degree home invasion, a 20-year and/or \$5,000 felony.

However, sentencing has been put on hold while the judge in the case considers invoking the Homes Youthful Trainee Act, a law which allows certain individuals between the ages of 17 and 21 to receive a deferred sentence on the condition of good behavior and following terms of probation.

"I am opposing (the) Homes Youth Trainee Act and feel that, due to the seriousness of the crime, these defendants should have a criminal history that reflects the crimes they committed," said Charlevoix County Chief-Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Shaynee Fanara. "There is still a handgun out on the street, unaccounted for, due to these defendants."

The third person alleged to have been connected with the crime in question is 19-year-old Bennie Anthony Cornish of Charlevoix, who has been arraigned on one charge of receiving and concealing firearms, which is a 10-year and/or \$5,000 felony; as well as a probation violation for testing

positive for marijuana.

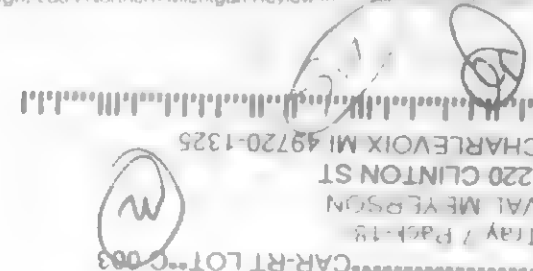
Cornish is expected to go to a preliminary examination on Tuesday, June 2.

The case dates back to March 22 when Charlevoix City Police were called by a West Lincoln St. homeowner who found his home and gun safe broken into.

Five handguns were missing—four of which have been retrieved.

The remaining gun, a .357 Colt Python revolver, remains unaccounted for.

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BIRTHS

Bailey Ann Persons weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces was born May 25, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Brooke and Justin Persons of Mancelona. Her grandparents are Michael and Belinda Sheridan, Bruce Persons and Pam Persons, all of East Jordan. Her great-grandparents are Tom and Ruth Ann Sheridan, Frank and Alice Campbell of East Jordan and Tom and Bonnie Faurean of Grand Rapids.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court: Caleb Gilbert Blatt, 21, Charlevoix. Attempted breaking and entering a building with intent. Sentenced to a minimum of 18 months to a maximum of 60 months in a Michigan correctional facility. Credit for 87 days in jail; \$659.96 in fines and costs.

Daniel Carl Lidster, 34, East Port. Controlled substance, possession of narcotic/cocaine, less than 25 grams. To serve 150 days in jail; \$328 in fines and costs. Lee Edward Harcourt-Thomas, 24, Petoskey. Attempted breaking and entering a building with intent. Sentenced to a minimum of 18 months to a maximum of 60 months in a Michigan correctional facility; credit for 87 days in jail; \$1,728 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office: H & F Contracting Services, 3120 Black Road, Charlevoix, by Scott Friske and Jared Hunt.

Ryan Smith Construction Cottage Rentals, 48299 Wilderness Court, Beaver Island, by Ryan D. Smith.

The Citizen Journal, P.O. Box 1914 Gaylord, by David Baragrey.

KDH Painting, 122 Trent St., Boyne City, by Kyle D. Hall.

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Fitzgerald Painting, 760 North Peninsula Road, East Jordan, by Dean Fish.

Hass Property Management Company, 4484 Lee St., Walloon Lake, by Alfred J. Hass II.

Clean Cut Lawn Care, 00386 Addis Road, Boyne City, by Daniel Jenkins.

Orderly Preparation, 5293 Cedarview Road, Norwood, by Michael Sayward.

Creative Depth Web Designs, 18731 Clipperview Road, Norwood, by John Anthony.

Great Lakes Site Development Inc., 1441 Lexamar Drive, Boyne City, by Christopher Furness and Jane Furness.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Leonard George Sherwood, 69 and Susan Idah Dunnette, 62, both of Boyne City.

William David German, 50 and Brenda Lynn Leftwich, 48, both of East Jordan.

James Andrew Thompson, 36, Rockland, Maine and Janine Kaye Waugh, 38, Owls Head, Maine.

Herberto Oviedo, 25 and Irene Espinoza, 26, both of Elkworth.

Ryan Lee Oliver, 30 and Laura Meredith Bousquet, 23, both of Beaver Island.

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Jeffrey Scott Buckner, 27 and Susan Jan Fitzpatrick, 47, both of Charlevoix.

Erick Sean Larson, 44 and Angele Khasbo, 40, both of Boyne City.

Aaron Douglas Hoesli, 22, Boyne City and Rebecca Ann Chow, 22, Wheaton, Ill.

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Fallen sailor's family honored after 42 years

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

He died trying to save three boys on April 30, 1967 in Duluth, Minn.

But, despite his heroic feat that fateful day, Coast Guard officer Edgar Allen Culbertson's children were never recognized.

"We were divorced at the time he was stationed in Minnesota," said Culbertson's former wife Jill Picha of Charlevoix. "Casey was 9 and Cristin (Culbertson Alpert) was 6 when he was killed, and if there is no spouse, the award is supposed to go to the son, but it wasn't properly handled and the children were never included."

Boatswain's Mate Culbertson and two other coast guardsmen headed out to the Duluth Ship Canal after a report went out of three missing brothers last seen playing near the break wall by the pier.

During rough seas, Culbertson was washed off the pier. Neither he nor the boys survived.

The boys' bodies were never found.

"They pulled him (Culbertson) in and worked on him for 45 minutes, but they just couldn't bring him back," Picha said.

The incident, known in Duluth as "Black Sunday" would likely have remained unresolved in the minds of the Culbertson children if not for a chance intervenor.

Thanks to the effort of Minnesota police officer and United States Coast Guard reservist Kevin Rofidal, Picha's children were finally presented with awards for their father's sacrifice during a ceremony this April 30 on the pier in Duluth, Minn.—42 years to the day where their father died.

"It was probably about August, last year, I had been drilling with the coast guard on the weekend and on lunch break walking along the



COURTESY PHOTO

BMCS Christopher Wisen, officer-in-charge of Station Duluth, Minn., is pictured on April 30, presenting the Coast Guard Medal to Casey Culbertson (far left) and Cristin Culbertson Alpert (middle) during memorial services at the pier where their father died 42 years ago. Their father died trying to save three brothers in 1967, but was washed off the long pier during rough seas and never recovered.

pier when I saw this memorial plaque," Rofidal said. "A man walked up to me and started asking me about it and I felt kind of stupid because I didn't know any details. So, I set out to find out more about the incident and it kind of turned into contacting the family."

Rofidal found one of the men who had been on the pier that day with Culbertson and connected him with the Culbertson children.

"They had all these questions about what happened that I couldn't answer," Rofidal said.

Rofidal then arranged to have a ceremony in honor of the children at the pier where Culbertson died.

They received the Coast Guard Medal, a military decoration given for an act of heroism during peace time; the Fraternal Order of Police Medal of Valor, an honor given for a law enforcement officer who dies in the line of duty; the National Law Enforcement Memorial Coin which acknowledges the

sacrifice of law enforcement officers and their families in preserving public safety; a United States Coast Guard flag; and the Admiral's Coin from the Coast Guard Ninth District.

"The ceremony and all that was done to recognize our father made us speechless," Casey said. "We were honored for the recognition of our father and all those that came together in planning and made the day special for us."

He added, "It is amazing after 42 years they remember and recognize our father who was a hero."

Picha said only 44 men in U.S. Coast Guard history had received the award when it was bestowed on Culbertson's children.

Culbertson's children accepted the Coast Guard Medal for their father and with it, Picha said, some relief.

"It meant a lot to me because it gave my children

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BENJAMIN GOHS

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Funds will come from the authority's parking fund. "We're going to request up to \$50,000 just so we don't have to come back later if the project were to run over," Carey said.

According to Tony Duerr, owner of Pine River Books which is nearby the gravel lot this move by the authority is a good thing.

"I think any public improvements to the downtown business area, especially those that make it convenient and attractive for customers, is going to be a substantial help to us," he said. Carey also said upgrading the lot from uneven gravel to flat pavement will help with drainage of storm water.

"We also anticipate installing a couple curbs between the lot and alley (Van Pelt) so there is at least some definition between that and the parking area," he said.

While no timeline on construction will be set forth until after the bidding process is complete, Carey said the project could be underway by the end of summer.

"This will promote better and safer vehicle parking with respect to vehicle safety," he said. Carey said at this early stage the best "ballpark" estimate of what it will cost to pave the area will be between \$35,000 and

closure," Picha said. Casey said he will never forget the award ceremony or the hospitality offered by coast guard personnel.

"This day was possible because of the diligence of Kevin Rofidal. Because of what he did, the passion he showed for making sure our father's memory lives on with the honors and recognition of a hero, we truly have a new friend," he said. "The two days we spent in Duluth, and the memories we have, will be with us forever."

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Military like cold shower

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

He calls his book on military life a positive slant with a reality base—and that's just what writer Jerry Newland hopes potential soldiers will find.

A 20-year veteran of the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, Newland wrote his 55-page primer "The Military is Like a Cold Shower" on what to expect and what not to expect from serving Uncle Sam.

"It talks about boot camp ... how difficult marriage can be ... it talks about religion ... and there is a chapter on homosexuality," Newland said.

Newland said, while he would not trade his decades of experience in the military for anything, the service is not for everyone.

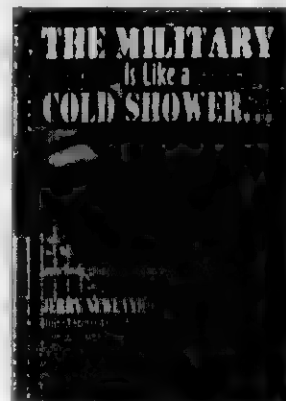
"If you're running away from home to avoid some problem, don't run to the service because it's a bad habit to get into when you get into probably the most stressful job in the country," he said. "You need to know why you're joining and what you want to get out of your career."

Newland grew up in Hartford.

"I joined the Navy five days out of high school with no idea of what I was getting into," he said.

Newland then spent his time as a field medic.

My first experiences were helping the first group of POW returnees at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland," he said.



"It was very scary. They were very badly damaged people."

Despite leaving the service with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Newland said his experiences were overall positive ones.

"The very last chapter is on the process of mourning—dealing with the guilt of taking the life of another; dealing with the loss of a friend in combat," he said. "It covers how most people handle grief and what can people do and what are the warning signs and how to avoid self-medicating."

Newland's book is aimed at a younger audience which includes high school juniors, seniors and college students who are considering enlisting.

Newland's next book signing is from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., June 20 at Round Lake Bookstore in Charlevoix. Books cost \$16.95.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

•ALBION

Lindi Edger has been named to the Albion College dean's list for the spring 2009 semester.

Students named to the dean's list must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This grade point average must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

Edger is a junior majoring in psychology.

She is the daughter of Todd and Mary Edger of Charlevoix and a graduate of Charlevoix High School.

•LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY

The following students have earned the distinction of being included on the Lake Superior State University Dean's List for the Spring 2009 semester. To make the Dean's List, students must achieve a 3.5 grade point average for the semester on a 4.0 scale.

Senior Michael J. Anderson of East Jordan in accounting.

Senior Carrie L. Blanchard of Charlevoix in business administration/management.

Sophomore Rachelle M. Fantozzi of Boyne Falls in computer networking.

Senior Raymond J. Greenleaf of Boyne City in mechanical engineering.

Sophomore Lindsey E. Mansfield of Boyne City in exercise science.

•ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

Nathan K. Turner of Charlevoix has been selected for membership in the Psi Chi National Honor Society for psychology. Turner is a student at Anderson University, Anderson, Ind.

•WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

Stephanie Dickinson Brooks, a 2002 graduate of Charlevoix High

School, recently graduated from Wayne State University's Doctor of Pharmacy program in Detroit.

Prior to transferring to Wayne State, she attended Lake Superior State University for two years.

She plans to enter practice in hospital pharmacy at Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, where she and her husband Allen reside.

Her parents, David and Karen Dickinson of Charlevoix are proud of her achievement.

•4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

Jessica Bills was selected to receive a \$500 scholarship from the Charlevoix County 4-H Council.

She plans to study Nursing at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids. Bills has been involved in the Charlevoix County 4-H Center Club and Hilltop Renegades since 2004, and attributes her love of horses to 4-H.

Her 4-H Project areas have included horses and market livestock sheep.

In 2005 Jessica received the 4-H Michigan State Trail Champion Overall, in 2006 she received the Michigan 4-H Equitation Champion and in 2008 she received the 4-H Market Livestock Lamb Senior Showmanship Reserve Champion at the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair.

Earning the \$250 scholarship from the Charlevoix County 4-H Council was Beau Fuller.

He has been involved with the 4-H Country Kids Club since 1997, and feels his experiences in 4-H have helped him become a better person. Fuller has held several 4-H offices through his involvement in his 4-H Club and has involvement with Market

Livestock.

He was accepted at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City, and will study auto mechanics.

His 4-H Project Areas included market livestock—steers, lamb and swine.

In 2006, Fuller received Reserve Intermediate Showmanship for Market Hog and in 2007 he received Grand Champion for Market Hog, both at the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair.

RAYDER GOLF GOING TO STATE

It's on to the state finals for the Charlevoix High School boys' golf team.

Junior Ty Jones and sophomore Wyatt Drost both shot 77 to finish among five players tied for fifth to lead the Rayders to a second-place finish Thursday in the Division III regional on Kane Golf Course on the campus of Ferris State University.

Charlevoix finished with a season-low 320 team score to come in nine shots behind Big Rapids, which is the defending state champion, is ranked No. 1 in the state coaches' poll, and was playing on its home course.

Remus Chappewa Hills shot 341 to finish a distant third.

"We played well," said first-year Charlevoix coach Doug Drenth, whose team's previous low 18-hole score was 322. "The guys really came through. Just a very gratifying day all the way around."

"I'm just so happy for the guys. They've worked so hard; it's really gratifying to see as a coach."

Also for Charlevoix, sophomore Thomas Rich shot 82 to be for 11th, junior Gunnar Whitley shot 84 to be

for 17th, and sophomore Ryan Wimmer shot 98.

The Rayders advance to the two-day, 36-hole state tournament at Eagle Crest on the campus of Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti. The tournament begins Friday, June 5.

Drenth succeeded longtime mentor Jim Glynn as the Rayders' coach this season, and he said the squad has been aided immensely all season not only by Glynn, but by former Belvedere pro Steve Braun, current Belvedere pro Marty Joy, and Charlevoix Country Club Steven Good.

"Jim Glynn has traveled with us all year," Drenth said. "All four of those guys have been so instrumental in teaching."

"We're going down to Ypsilanti and see what happens. We're really looking forward to it."

PICTURE THIS

Marell Staffel, from Picture This, received honorable mention for her entry in Nelson's Print Framing competition.

Nelson's held their 10th Educational Seminar on Saturday, May 16, where a total of 10 framers took on two judges in the print framing competition. Marell, along with nine other contestants, framed the print of Lori Feldpausch's original plein air painting.

Marell took an original moulding and applied a green wash, using a cream colored outer mat and accented the piece with green inner mats.

Stop by 106 Antrim St., to view her piece.

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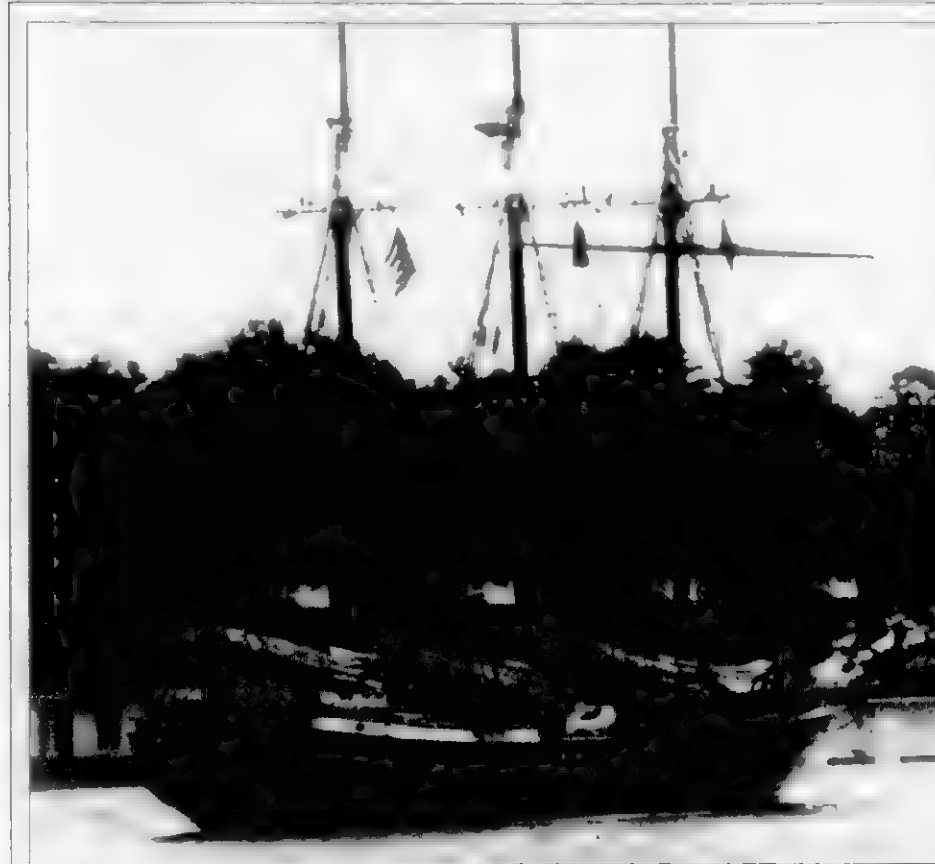


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Land ho'

The tall ship Denis Sullivan was in port in Charlevoix last week. Its crew hosted several educational and leisure cruises for hundreds of local students and parents. The Sullivan is a 137-foot masted schooner which sails out of Wisconsin. The Sullivan is a re-creation of the 19th Century Great Lakes ships which once roamed the area's waterways.

ONE DAY ONLY! Call for a time slot.

Charlevoix County Residents Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day:

June 13, 2009
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Wood preservatives • CFL bulbs • Aerosols • Household batteries • Spa chemicals • Sealers
Tars • Automotive fuel additives • Propane tanks • Mercury & mercury thermometers

NOTE: Mercury thermometers may be exchanged for digital thermometers!
Don't forget to bring yours! Courtesy of the Charlevoix County Recycling Program.

Electronics (3 for Free):

Computers • Computer Equipment • Televisions • Telephones
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More than 3 items? A \$5 per pound fee will be applied

You must CALL 582-6193 for a time slot!
Calls will be taken June 1st through June 12th

Questions: Call 582-6193
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Library's 100th year

The Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library have installed a historical photo exhibit depicting Charlevoix in the early 1900s.

The exhibit, located in the Community Meeting Room Foyer of the Charlevoix Public Library, corresponds with the Library's 100th Anniversary of an independent library building in Charlevoix.

The exhibit will be on display until mid-July and then

shortly thereafter will be relocated to its permanent location throughout the library.

The Michigan Room Committee of the Charlevoix Public Library spent hours of time researching photos at the Charlevoix Historical Society, which would give people a sense of life in Charlevoix one hundred years ago.

The exhibit was generously funded by the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library,

but could not have been accomplished without the assistance of David Miles, co-director of the Historical Society.

Visit the exhibit during regular library hours:

10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday - Thursday

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday

1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays

For more information about the library, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org

New Earl Young exhibit

To coincide with the production of our new DVD on "The Life and Works of Earl Young," and the publication of new patron Mike Barton's recent book, "The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix," the Harsha House is in the final stages of mounting an exhibit on Young and his creations.

Earl Young's importance to Charlevoix has been an established fact for decades.

People have and continue to come from all over the country and abroad to marvel at what he accomplished, and in

the process find out how much more Charlevoix has to offer. As visitors take away word of what they have discovered, more and more people are making this town a destination.

Almost every day in the summer sees tour buses heading west for the sole purpose of viewing the Young homes along Park Avenue and Grant Street and in Boulder Park.

This new exhibit features photos from both the DVD and Mike's book, plus some from the Society's archives.

All the buildings displayed will have brief notations regarding address, date of construction, and names by which some of them are known.

The exhibit is intended to summarize Earl Young's life and career, which information is expanded upon in the DVD, then beautifully rendered in full color in the book as the buildings look today from many angles.

We urge all our members to bring their summertime guests to view this unique and intriguing tribute.

What's happening at the Library this week?

Writers Group

Wednesdays @ 10:00 am
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

History of Jazz Lectures

w/ Chris Ames, Razor Entertainment
Wednesdays, June 3, 17 & 24 @ 6:30 PM
Lectures about the history, culture and terminology of jazz while looking at the

provided. Registration required. Call

Ask the Tech Guy

June 4, 10:00 - noon
Bring your laptop and ask questions of the library's tech guy, Roger Gowell.

Story Time

Thursdays @ 10:30 am (ages birth through age 5)
Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Summer Folk Concert Series

w/Will & Ann Rolland
Monday, June 8, 7:00 pm
hour concert in the Community Room. The concert will be followed by a concert

to bring their own

ies in this series will

French Conversation Circle

Tuesdays @ noon (June-July-August)
Everyone welcome to come and practice your French skills.

Computer Basics I

Wednesdays & Fridays, June 10 & 12, 10:00 - 11:30 am
For people new to the computer class starts at the also fair beginning. Learn basic terms, how to use a mouse and how to search the internet.

100th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, June 21, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Marvick Assisted Living, Charlevoix

American Library Association will discuss how libraries have become essential

Reimbursement information

The Book Sale is coming

1 hour will be holding their 10th annual book sale on Saturday, June 27, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at Sunday, June 28, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. They are now collecting and

used books (no textbooks please) in the box at the Mason Street entrance.

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OBITUARIES

Eleanor A. Holfeld: Sept. 22, 1935 - May 25, 2009

Eleanor Ann Holfeld was born on Sept. 22, 1935 in Beaver Island, MI to Edward and Margaret (nee Left) Lagerman.

She passed away on May 25, 2009 in Arlington Heights, Ill. Ann is survived by her sons, Scott Holfeld, Glenn "Butch"

Holfeld and Todd (Debbie) Holfeld; her grandchildren Jessi, Tyler, Loren, Tanner, Cassidi, Blake and Luke; and her brother, Cliff Lagerman.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Loren Holfeld and her siblings, Margaret "Norma" Hansen,

Alice "Briggs" Cunningham, Frankie Lagerman and Midge Orlando.

Funeral Mass was 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 29, 2009 at Our Lady of the Wayside Church, 450 S. Mitchell, Arlington Heights, Ill.

Interment private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, 1114 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004.

Funeral information and condolences www.Glueckert-FH.com or (847) 253-0168.

Joe Simons: Passed away on May 25, 2009

Joe Simons of Charlevoix, MI, died on May 25, 2009, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

He was 84 years old.

Mr. Simons was born in Syracuse, NY.

He graduated from CBA High School where he was an outstanding athlete.

Mr. Simons joined the Navy in 1943.

He served on multiple destroyers in World War II, survived two sinkings and re-

ceived the Purple Heart.

After World War II, he settled in Detroit and attended the University of Detroit where he met his wife Norma.

He worked for many years for Ford Motor Company before starting his own car rental and leasing company.

Joe and Norma Simons have spent the last 37 years living in Charlevoix — a community he truly loved.

He especially loved fly-fish-

ing the Jordan River.

Joe and Norma also enjoyed the ambience of the Grey Gables and other local establishments.

Mr. Simons is survived by his



Simons

wife Norma Elizabeth Simons; sons Fritz and Joseph Simons; daughter Margo Parker; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and Sister Doris Neuf of Fla.

A private memorial service will be held later this summer. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials can be made to the Disabled Veterans of America.

Michael S. Przybylski: Nov. 10, 1952 - May 27, 2009

Michael Stanley Przybylski, 56, of Charlevoix, died Wednesday, May 27, 2009, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

He was born Nov. 10, 1952, in Petoskey, the son of Joseph and Clara (Leisinger) Przybylski.

Mike graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1971, and on Oct. 14, 1972, was married to Judy D. Somerville in Charlevoix.

He was a tool and die maker

by trade, and had owned and operated Accuturn in Charlevoix.

Mike was a guitarist and composer who had written over 500 songs.

He loved to fish, and was a "great" grandpa to his grandkids.

He is survived by his wife, Judy D.; daughters, Kelly Sue (Edward) Pitcher, and Misty Rene Falting; grandchildren, Bailey F. and Justin Falting,

Morgan and Jacob Zeecry, Lauren and Logan Pitcher; sisters, Rose Wilkerson of Pensacola, Fla., Fran (Tom) Grose, Pat Loper, Joyce (Don) Brown all of Charlevoix, Marilyn (Don) Blauman of Florida, brother, Ron (Maria) Stoneham of Charlevoix.

A memorial gathering will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 6, at the American Legion Leslie T. Shapton Post #

226 in Charlevoix.

The Reverend Nancy Rohde will officiate.

Interment will take place at the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38106-1942.

The Winchester Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Health and wellness screening

Charlevoix Area Hospital is offering walk-in health screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 3.

Health Screens include: Cholesterol and blood Glucose levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a Blood Pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all test results at the time of the screen.

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educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse.

The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes.

"We had an excellent turnout for our first Wellness Wednesday in May," said Kathy Jacobsen, Community Health Educator for Charlevoix Area Hospital. "We saw a total of 37 people and their feedback about our program was overwhelmingly positive."

Jacobsen said many insurance companies limit the num-

ber of times they will pay for cholesterol testing, usually once per year.

"Most of our participants" were very interested in getting healthy and were curious if their cholesterol was on the

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Time to retire

Judy Przybylski, seen here with Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. during her retirement party at Charlevoix City Hall on Friday, May 29. Przybylski worked for the city as an account clerk for 37 years.

Summer folk festival

BENJAMIN BONE
EDITOR

It began as an open mic night with a couple acts at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Now, after two winter seasons of performances by musicians of varying genres, organizers will be hosting the first ever summer folk music series in Charlevoix.

"These are going to be family-centered events," said program organizer and host Dwan Abramowski. "Our acts center in on guitars and story telling, and all three acts play a lot of original music."

Will and Ann Rowland will kick off the series at 7 p.m., June 8 in the library's community rooms.

At 7 p.m., July 6, Michael Lee, winner of the 2008 Mid North Michigan Blues Challenge, will play his solo blues and folk style.

At 7 p.m., Aug. 3, Pinky Lee, consisting of Jenny Bousquet and Holly Keller will play their soulful folk style of music.

"I think if you're a teen on up, you'll be able to find music and lyrics you should enjoy," Abramowski said. "It's just exciting to know we can celebrate talent like this in our local community."

He added, "A lot of people just don't realize we have this musical talent here."

Abramowski, whose stage name is Dwan Martin, will also play music from his new CD "Road to Wonderland."

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More road work coming

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

The list of local road improvement projects slated for this year in Charlevoix County continues to grow as the road commission sent projects totaling more than \$1.25 million out for bid.

The Charlevoix County Road Commission approved sending the projects out to bid at its regular semi-monthly meeting Monday.

The most costly among the projects could also be the first project funded, in-part, through a county-wide road millage approved by voters in November.

The project would involve reconstructing a two-mile section of River Road in Melrose Township from Bear River Road to Springvale Road at an estimated cost of about \$703,000. Melrose Township has agreed to pay for \$250,000 of the project. The remainder would be paid for using county-wide road millage money.

Road commission engineer Pat Harmon said the steering committee which was appointed to oversee planning for the road millage funds last week

approved moving forward with the project.

Harmon said factors playing into the decision were the very poor condition of the road, the road's function as an emergency detour when accidents prompt a temporary closure of U.S. 131 at or near M-75, and the township's willingness to contribute \$250,000 to the project.

He noted the project will take place this year only if the county board of commissioners is willing to loan the road commission the balance of the project's cost (about \$453,000) for about two months. That's about how long it will likely be between when the bill for the

project is due and when the first road millage funds are collected in December.

The other projects sent out for bid Tuesday include

— Re-gravel about 1.03 miles of Marshall Road. The estimated \$42,000 cost will be shared between Wilson and Eveline townships.

— Repave 0.8 miles of Addis Road from Old State Road to the end of the pavement. The estimated \$120,000 cost will be shared between Melrose and Eveline townships.

— Repave 0.63 miles of Clute Road from Shadow Trails Road west and south. The estimated \$111,000 cost will be shared by Melrose and Evangeline Townships.

— Repave .28 miles of Shadow Trails Road in Melrose Township from M-75 to near Clute Road at an estimated cost of \$52,000.

— Repave 1.27 miles of Miles Road in South Arm Township from Rogers Road to the county line at an estimated cost of \$201,000.

If the bids for all of the above projects are ultimately approved by their respective townships it would bring the amount of money slated to be spent on local road improvements in the county this year to more than \$2 million.

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Rights forum focuses on Wilhelm case

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A public forum billed as a discussion on local law enforcement and civil rights focused mainly on the Austin Wilhelm vandalism case.

Petoskey professor Dale Hull and Wilhelm family friend Vince Chew hosted the June 1 forum at the Charlevoix Public Library in hopes of educating the public on what they feel is happening to the civil rights of young people today.

"I want to talk about two specific problems that I

see," Hull said of the charges against Wilhelm, the former Charlevoix high student charged with a felony for allegedly vandalizing school property with paint last year.

Hull discussed the lockdown which occurred in May, 2008, the day painting damage was found at the Charlevoix High School building and trades project house.

"The children could not leave the building. Parents were not contacted to tell them their children could not leave the building," he said. "Police

came to the building, and with

the help of school officials, every child was made to stand against the wall, show their hands, show their feet, and in some cases remove their clothing and give the clothing to the police."

Hull added, "This didn't happen in Detroit. It didn't happen in L.A. ... It happened in Charlevoix. It could happen in Petoskey. It could happen in Boyne City, unless people like you and me ... make certain that every child has the same rights that you and I have."

Hull said children should have the same protection under the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution—the right to be free from unreasonable search and seizure.

Superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools Chet Janik would not comment in detail citing the ongoing case against Wilhelm, but said the lockdown policy was being reviewed.

"We are reviewing our policies as we do with all our policies on a regular basis," Janik said. "We're trying to find balance between the rights of the students, the rights of law enforcement to investigate a

crime that occurs on our campus and the rights of the school district."

Hull went on to say the American Civil Liberties Union sued and won against a Detroit school district for a similar type of lockdown.

Chew added, "I think it is important to interject here that we're talking about lockdowns for the purpose of investigating a crime that occurred in the past."

Hull also discussed the severity of the charges against Wilhelm since it actually cost \$298—a misdemeanor, with volunteered labor to clean up the project house. However, the prosecutor in the case has charged Wilhelm for what it would have cost laborers to repair the damage—nearly \$4,000.

"The damage was property damage," he said. "The charge

against this young man is a felony for which this prosecutor in this county is asking us to send this boy away for five years."

Hull added, "That is not protecting our children—that is putting them at risk."

Charlevoix County Prosecutor John Jarema, the one handling this case, had no comment on the forum.

Comments from the nearly 70 people in attendance ranged from calls for the prosecutor to step down, to having him recalled for pursuing the case and even questions about having the school board recalled for their policy on lockdowns.

Hull urged audience members to attend the 7 p.m. June 8 Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education meeting in the Charlevoix Middle School's large group room.



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Petoskey professor Dale Hull discusses the Austin Wilhelm vandalism case with nearly 70 audience members during a public forum on civil rights and the local criminal justice system on June 1 at the Charlevoix Public Library.

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3. Myth: Newspaper readership is tanking.

REALITY: Average weekday newspaper readership declined a mere 1.8 percent between 2007 and 2008, and about 7 percent since its peak in 2002. Compare that to the 10 percent decline seen in the prime time TV audience in 2007 alone. Meanwhile, newspapers' Web audience has grown nearly 76 percent since 2004, to 73 million unique visitors a month.

4. Myth: Many newspapers are going out of business.

REALITY: Newspapers, as individual businesses, by and large remain profitable enterprises – with operating margins that Wall Street analysts estimate will generally average in the low to mid teens during 2009. While that may be down from historical highs, such margins would be the envy of many other industries today. As consultant John Morton said in a recent American Journalism Review article, "Overall, the beleaguered newspaper industry's financial health has been weakened but remains healthy by most measures. In this environment, that is an achievement."

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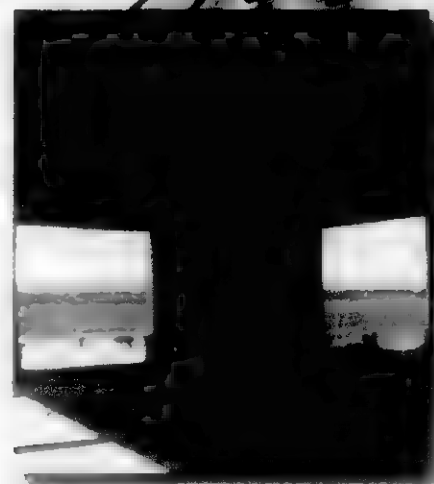


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Words of wisdom

The 2009 Charlevoix High School salutatorian Katherine Withrow addresses her peers during graduation ceremonies on May 31 in the high school gymnasium before more than 100 graduates and hundreds more of family and friends. Withrow advises her peers to enjoy life because it only happens once.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders take district crown in dramatic fashion

STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW SPORTS
WRITER

Their motto all season long was "to finish strong."

That's exactly what the Charlevoix Rayders did not only once, but twice, Saturday in winning Division III district softball tournament at their own field.

After coming an eight-inning 2-1 victory over East Jordan in a pressure-packed semifinal, Charlevoix overcame a 7-6 deficit in the sixth inning to ship past Harbor Springs, 8-7, in the final to capture its first district title since 1994.

The Rayders, 15-15-1, advance to a Division III regional on Saturday, June 6, at Marcellona. Charlevoix will face Kalkaska, 28-10, in a semifinal game.

"This is unbelievable," fourth-year Charlevoix coach Tony Zimmerman said. "It's been a long, long time. We've been coming up and making some strides for four years and we've been playing well."

"We struggled a little bit in the regular season. We just came through here today. We needed to peak at the right time and we did."

They also needed an extra inning and a little bit of luck to get past East Jordan in the semifinals.

Senior Enrika Faust singled, tripled and scored both runs, including the game-winner in the bottom of the eighth as she raced home following her triple and an overthrow to thrust the Rayders into the final.

"I was a little worried if we could keep the momentum going," Zimmerman said. "I thought we might be a little bit spent and it was the first time we've ever been in that situation."

In the title game against Harbor, Amber Hoffman had two hits including the game-winner. Her one-out bases loaded single drove in Chelsea Hoffman with the winning run.

"Our motto all year was to finish," Zimmerman said. "That's all we had to do. It was fun, but it was nerve-racking. The first one sure does feel awesome."

Madison Zimmerman and Chelsea Hoffman had three hits apiece for Charlevoix in the title game, while Lauren Mielke doubled twice. Faust added a double and a single.

Kristin Mielke earned the win in relief of Hannah Hybl, who left the game because of a back injury. Mielke struck out three and scattered three hits, while Hybl also fanned three.

"I knew there was something bothering (Hybl) in that second game," Zimmerman said. "Kristin



STEVE FOLEY/NEWS-REVIEW

Charlevoix's Morgan Stewart connects for a base hit during the opening game of Monday's non-league doubleheader against Traverse City Christian at Charlevoix High School.

came in and struggled at first, but once she found her groove, she was outstanding."

For Harbor, 13-21-1, Megan Mathews struck out six and walked three in taking the loss.

"Give them a lot of credit, they fought hard and they have a nice team, as does East Jordan," Zimmerman said of the Rams. "Both coaches (Meg Kitson, Debbie Hamlin) are fantastic coaches and it was an honor to coach against them."

Hybl struck out 12 and allowed just one hit while walking three in the win over East Jordan.

Shaina Peters took the hard-luck loss as she struck out 10, walked four and allowed just two hits. Peters drove in the Red Devils' lone run.

The Red Devils, who won the Lake Michigan Conference title, close a 22-7 season.

"This was a disappointing loss," East Jordan coach Meg Kitson said. "Our girls tried hard, but could get nothing going. Our bats did not show up. We had a great season, but today just wasn't our day."

Harbor rolled past Inland Lakes, 14-4, in five innings in the other semifinal.

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Golf: going to state

It's on to the state finals for the Charlevoix High School boys' golf team.

Junior Ty Jones and sophomore Wyatt Drost both shot 77 to finish among five players tied for fifth to lead the Rayders to a second-place finish Thursday in the Division III regional on Katie Golf Course on the campus of Ferris State University.

Charlevoix finished with a season-low 320 team score to come in nine shots behind Big Rapids, which is the defending state champion, is ranked No. 1 in the state coaches poll, and was playing on its home course.

Remus Chippewa Hills shot 341 to finish a distant third.

"We played well," said first-year Charlevoix coach Doug Drenth, whose team's previous low 18-hole score was 322. "The guys really came through. Just a very gratifying day all the way around."

"I'm just so happy for the guys. They've worked so hard; it's really gratifying to see as a coach."

Also for Charlevoix, sophomore Thomas Rich shot 82 to tie for 11th, junior Gunnar Whitley shot 84 to tie for 17th, and sophomore Ryan Wimmer shot 98.

The Rayders advance to the two-day, 36-hole state tournament at Eagle Crest on the campus of Eastern Michigan

University in Ypsilanti. The tournament begins Friday, June 5.

Drenth succeeded long time mentor Jim Glynn as the Rayders' coach this season, and he said the squad has been aided immensely all season not only by Glynn, but by former Belvedere pro Steve Braun, current Belvedere pro Marty Joy, and Charlevoix Country Club Steven Good.

"Jim Glynn has traveled with us all year," Drenth said. "All four of those guys have been so instrumental in teaching."

"We're going down to Ypsilanti and see what happens. We're really looking forward to it."

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SPORTS reviewing the action



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The Charlevoix High School girls' varsity soccer team won the Division 4 District Championship this past weekend. Pictured are (front, from left) Elizabeth Drost, Rachael Boss, Marlie Green, Abbey Barnes, Madison Way, Hailey Bills and Taylor Smith. Also pictured (back, from left) are Olivia Catt, Tammy Potter, Bridget Peters, Bobbie Molter, Kelly Greyerbohl, Caroline Dupuis, Lauren Bartling, Hannah Doan and Savannah Joseph. The coaches pictured are Carol Madison and Tom Conlan. Missing from the picture are K.C. McCary and Meredith Rich.

Second straight district title

A historic day and another trip to the regionals for the Charlevoix High School girls' soccer team.

Olivia Catt and Meredith Rich scored two goals apiece Saturday as the Rayders rolled past Boyne City, 8-0, in a Division IV district championship match at Harbor Springs' Ottawa Stadium.

It was Charlevoix's second straight district title and its third in five years. It marked the first time Charlevoix has won back-to-back district crowns in girls' soccer.

The Rayders, 16-3-2 and ranked fifth in the state coaches

poll, will play Lake Michigan Conference rival Traverse City Liberty, 15-4-1, in a regional semifinal game on Tuesday, June 2. The game is scheduled for Holton High School, but may be moved to a neutral site closer to Charlevoix and Traverse City.

The Rayders, who are the defending regional champions, defeated the Liberty twice in the regular season, 3-0 and 2-1.

"It makes me a little nervous," Charlevoix coach Carol Madison said. "It's hard to beat a good team three times (in a season) and they're good. It's just going to be a matter of who shows up

and if we can put the ball in the net."

Muskegon Western Michigan Christian and Kent City Algoma Christian meet in the other regional semifinal. The championship is slated for 6 p.m. Friday, June 5, at Holton.

Bobbie Molter, Caroline Dupuis, Madison Way and KC McCary also scored for the Rayders on Friday, while Bridget Peters and McCary had two assists apiece, and Catt and Molter had one each.

Tammy Potter posted the shut-out in goal, while Marlie Greene and Taylor Smith played well,



STEVE FOLEY/NEWS-REVIEW

Charlevoix sophomore Hailey Bills (right) and a Kalkaska player chase down a free ball during Monday's Lake Michigan Conference match at Charlevoix High School. The Rayders defeated the Blazers, 7-0.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Prep track: Area athletes garner 15 medals

No state champions, but medals aplenty for area athletes Saturday at the Michigan High School Athletic Association state track and field championships.

Petoskey claimed three medals — all in relays — and set a school record in the Division II meet at Zeeland Schools.

Charlevoix came away with a pair of medals at the Division III meet at Comstock Park High School.

And Harbor Springs, Inland Lakes, Ellsworth and Pellston earned a combined 10 medals in the Division IV meet at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern.

Division II
Petoskey's Margaret Liederbach, Molly Touran and Tina Penfold wrapped up their respective outstanding high school careers as each ran a leg on the Northern girls' 3200- and 1600-meter relay teams.

Alexandra Taylor joined that trio as Petoskey finished second in the 3200 relay in 9 minutes, 31.20 seconds. Williamston won the event in 9:29.84.

Liederbach, Touran and Penfold teamed with Kristi Ellis to place third in the 1600 relay in a school-record 4:06.19. Middleville Thornapple-Kellogg won the event in 4:04.93.

The Northern quartet eclipsed the previous school record, 4:07.8, set in 1992 by Stephanie Rae, Bekki Spencer, Kelly Smith and Sarah Graham.

Liederbach, Touran and Penfold earned 10 All-State honors among them in their varsity careers.

Petoskey's Joe Beck, Brian Kenny, Dylan Fettig and Jared Goodrich teamed up to place seventh in the boys' 3200 relay in 8:10.49. Linden won in 8:02.41.

The Northern girls finished with 14 points to tie for 17th place. East Lansing won the state.

Track results

Charlevoix came away with a pair of medals at the Division III state track and field meet at Comstock Park High School.

Eric Buday placed fourth in the boys' 800 and Alyssa Smith was fifth in the girls' long jump.

Bestly finished in 1:44.86. Nick Radonoff of Benzie Central won in 1:44.86.

Smith's best jump was 16 feet, 1 1/2 inches. Rachel Hoffman of Shelby won at 17-3 1/4.

Albion won the boys' meet with 61.5 points, while Allendale and Kent City tied for second with 43. Frankenmuth won the girls' meet with 68 points, while Benzie Central, 48, was runner-up.

title with 36 points, while DeWitt was second with 34. Hamilton won the boys' title with 61 points, while Williamston was second with 36.

Division III
Charlevoix's Eric Buday placed fourth in the boys' 800 and Alyssa Smith placed fifth in the girls' long jump at Comstock Park.

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Division IV
Inland Lakes had three medalists in the girls' meet at Forest Hills Eastern, while Harbor Springs claimed two medals and Pellston had one.

Harbor's Caitlin Reeves was a double medalist as she came oh-so-close to winning the 800, but settled for second behind Ana Capotosto of Saugatuck. Capotosto finished in 2:20.60, while Reeves came in at 2:20.62.

"(Reeves) led the entire time but just got nipped at the tape," Harbor coach Emily Kloss said. "She's a state runner-up. She can't be too disappointed. She ended her high school career on a pretty positive note, especially

(considering that) she didn't finish out her freshman or sophomore track seasons because of injuries."

Reeves also ran a leg on Harbor's 3200 relay team that finished fourth in 9:55.28. Maddie Buntin, Katie Hoffman and Alivia Murphy joined Reeves in the relay. Fowler won the event in 9:44.80.

The Rams' time was an 18-second PR and the third fastest time ever run by a Harbor 3200 squad, and the fourth place finish matched the best state finish ever for a Harbor team in the relay.

"They ran well," Kloss said. "You get to that level of competition and you rise to the occasion. We're pleased with that."

Pellston's Taylor Friend turned in an excellent performance in placing second in the high jump at 5-4, breaking the school record. Sarah MacCourtney of Rochester Hills Lutheran North won at 5-6.

For Inland Lakes, Brianna Ohlert placed fifth in the pole

vault at a school-record 10 feet; Megan Bruniquel was sixth in the 100 hurdles, 16.53; and Becky Rotter was eighth in the 200, 28.72.

Kristie Wieber of Pewamo-Westphalia won the pole vault with a Division IV record 11-3; Luz Sherzer of Battle Creek St. Philip won the 100 hurdles in 15.14, also a Division IV record, and Lindsey Hufnagel of Fowler won the 200 in 26.14.

The Harbor girls finished with 13 points for 21st place, while Pellston and Inland Lakes finished with 8 points each. Potterville won the team title with 51 points, while Fowler was second with 43.

Harbor's Tecumseh Adams placed second in the boys' 1600 in 4:20.68, while Ellsworth's Ashton Fisher was fifth in 4:25.97. Fisher also placed seventh in the 3200 in 9:58.15.

Christian Birky of Saugatuck won the 3200 in 9:32.24, while Larry Julson of Potterville won the 1600 in a Division IV record

4:19.94.

Adams led the 1600 for all but the final half lap of the four-lap race, but was overtaken by Julson in the final 200 meters. It was just the second race Adams has failed to win this season. The other came in an 800, to Charlevoix's Eric Buday, in a Lake Michigan Conference meet.

Adams came down with strep throat and missed five days of training leading in to the meet, Kloss said. He led the 3200 for five laps on Saturday, then pulled up with a leg injury and finished out of the medals.

"He hasn't missed five days in the last how many months," Kloss said. "The kid that beat him is good, very good. I would have loved to have seen Tec on his game and race that kid. It would have been an awesome race."

"He was hard on himself. He had an amazing, stellar season, pretty much perfect. Sometimes you get sick and the timing isn't perfect. Injuries and illness,

there's nothing you can do about it. Not the way that he wanted to end his career, but you've got to look back and say he had an amazing career."

Harbor's Kyle Nowels placed eighth in the 110 hurdles in 15.58. Cory Noeker of Pewamo-Westphalia won in 14.35, a Division IV record.

Potterville won the boys' title with 64 points, while Pewamo-Westphalia was second with 37. The Rams finished with 9 points, good for 25th. Ellsworth finished with 6 points.

"We had higher expectations," Kloss said. "We had a good team ... and we won both (girls' and boys') regionals and both conference championships, and it was a good, easy group to work with. You want it to end on a positive note. We've got two state runners-up and I don't think we've ever done that."

"We didn't accomplish what we wanted to (at the state meet), but overall it was a great season."



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Pat McKeown, owner of Pat McKeown Ford of Charlevoix is seen with Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce event and finance manager Shelly Ferguson (right) and Lauren Brumley the chamber's communications coordinator in front of this year's prize in the 2009 chamber car raffle. This year's model is a 2010 Ford Mustang GT. This black hardtop is merely a stand-in while the red convertible is delivered. For raffle tickets, stop in to the chamber at 109 Mason St. or call 547-2101.

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Couple of real turkeys

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Outdoor writer for the Flint Journal David Graham (left) is seen here with friend Bili Teer after begging two prize turkeys on Beaver Island this spring.



Lion honorees

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On Monday, May 18 the four winners of the Charlevoix Lions Club's annual youth college scholarships along with the two winners of the Charlevoix County Junior Golf League's college-book scholarships were the honored guests of the club at the noon luncheon meeting at the Weathervane. Each of the six honorees gave short presentations of their future plans. Along with Lions President Ron Moore, Charlevoix School District Superintendent Chet Jenik and CHS Principal, Suzanne Klinger (left) are the six college-bound Charlevoix High School senior winners of the Charlevoix Lions Club annual awards. Winners of the Stewart "Irish" E. Coleman Scholarships are Tamara Potter and Brock Yenglin; The two Don Meggison Community Service Awards Marlie Greene and Michael Heckendorn; The Lions Junior Golf Book Scholarship, Tanner Fisher. Included is T. Robert Rundbald, the second matching golf award winner provided by the Junior Golf League, and Lion Bob Heath representing the Charlevoix County Junior Golf League.



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NEW DEADLINE
Monday at 5:00 pm

0690 SERVICES

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0700 CARD OF THANKS

THANKS SO MUCH
for all your prayers, cards, kindness and support in the loss of our son, Tyler.

Gordie & Sharon Russell
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0720 FOUND & FREE ITEMS
FREE BOAT 1971 Larson 18' Fiber glass boat. Berkley jet drive, V-8, boat only, trailer not included, can deliver local. (231)348-8281

0760 SPECIAL NOTICES

Alanson Riverfest
Is looking for quality vendors to participate in this years Festival August 7th, 8th & 9th, 2009
Applications can be found on line:
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Questions call: Antique Flea Market, (231)548-5173; Arts & Craft Show, (231)347-0349; Food Vendors, (231)338-5757; Commercial Booths (231)330-3188

0760 SPECIAL NOTICES

BOYNE RIVER STORAGE
880 Division Street
PUBLIC NOTICE

The contents of the following units will be sold at public auction at the above address on Saturday, June 27, 2009 at 10 a.m. 86 SLEVE WOOD. Miscellaneous household items. 886. Richard Hausler, miscellaneous household items. 1112 & 1119. Harry Buzak, miscellaneous household items. 8150. Matthew Inoals, miscellaneous household items. 8200. Charles Brannon, miscellaneous household items.

0860 HELP WANTED

General

CHARLEVOIX COURIER

NEWSPAPER
Seeks freelance writer. Opportunity to build your journalistic resume while having fun in Charlevoix. Position would require three stories with photos each week. Knowledge of AP style with writing and photography experience preferred. Send resume and three clips/writing samples to: 112 Mason Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Deadline is Friday, June 12.

BOOKKEEPER/ ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Seeking an individual with a strong work ethic, for a smoke-free environment. Must have knowledge of QuickBooks software and would be able to perform accounting functions such as: General ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, and preparations of sales tax returns. Please respond to P.O. Box 582, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

PHLEBOTOMY EDUCATION

Teaching the art of professional blood collecting. Evening classes, June 1st-5th in Gaylord. June 8th-12th in St. Ignace. \$995. (313)382-3857.

1000 GARAGE/YARD SALES

CHARLEVOIX: Campbell Court, near Mt. McSaubal, neighborhood garage sales, Saturday, June 6, 8, 4. Too many items to list. (231)547-5574.

1340 MISG. ITEMS FOR SALE

NEW TODAY
SHIPWRECK PLANK refinished, white oak, 10'x1-1/2'x2', may be used as countertop, mantle or table. Recovered from the Schooner, Queen City that was sunk off Hog Island in 1895. (231)547-4625.

1350 SUPER SAVERS

(1) MAPLE tree, large, cut up for firewood. \$100. (989)732-5540.
(2) PROPANE refrigerators. Good working condition. \$100/each or best offer. (989)939-8082.(03)

1350 SUPER SAVERS

2003 HONDA 5 horsepower boat motor. Pull start. Very few hours. Excellent condition. \$1,000. (231)546-3341.(09)

2'X2'X4" STEEL galvanized stock water tank. Like new. \$45. (989)939-8681.(30)

4 BRIDGESTONE LT245/75R16 M/S tires on 8 bolt GM steel rims. Approximately 25,000 miles on tires. \$125. (989)732-7894.(30)

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6" WIDE doorwall complete with screen. \$100. (989)732-7524.(30)

AIR HOCKEY table. \$75. (989)732-8040.(03)

COMPUTER, OLDER, works great. \$100. 14" Haier color TV, like new. \$50. CPAP, like new. \$100. Gaylord area. (989)350-4962.(27)

DOG HOUSE. Small. New wood construction. Insulated. \$25. (989)786-2543.(03)

DVD RECORDER and DVD player, both work, \$80 for both. (231)818-9716.

ELVIS WATCH 50th edition, new. \$25. (989)448-8289.

HIGHCHAIR. \$30. Bassinet, remote control, mobile. \$80. Newborn sling pouch. \$15. Johnny jumper. \$10. Infant saucer. \$15. Travel swing. \$20. (989)730-2269.(06)

HONNER STUDENT Accordion \$60. (231)436-7632.

INDOOR GROW Florallight. 48" long. Seed starting. Indoor growing. Will send pictures through e-mail. \$65. (989)732-4666.(03)

INFANT CAR seat. Reclining high chair with circular tray. Still in boxes. \$55/each or best offer. (989)858-3379.(03)

MAYTAG WRINGER washer Works good. \$75. (989)786-2831.(03)

PIANO JANSEN Spinnet with bench, good condition. \$400. (231)547-2517.

QUEEN SIMMONS Back Saver mattress/spring. \$100. Red Wings clock. 6-1/2" tall, 9" long. Must see. \$35. (989)569-4099.(30)

QUEEN-SIZED 4 piece bedroom set. Bed, chest-of-drawers, long dresser and lighted hutch. Dark cherry wood. Asking \$450. (989)732-1768.(03)

TEMPERARY ELECTRIC 2000-6000 amp. \$75.00. (231)582-7463.

TRUCK TIRES. 265/70X17. Michelin Load range E. \$80. (989)390-3607.(03)

UNIFLAME 27" gas grill. Dome lid. \$25. (989)732-3733.(30)

WESLO CADENCE Treadmill. Very new. \$175. (989)732-8040.(03)

WOOD HEADBOARD and footboard with rails for full or queen. \$25. (231)347-6404.

1570 LOTS & ACREAGE

5 LAKES. Beautiful 10 acre building site. 253' lake frontage. Partially wooded, partially open. Lake currently low but rising. \$38,000. (989)732-0430.(23)

WOODED DOUBLE lot in Boulder Park near Lake Michigan and downtown Charlevoix. \$26,900. Call Harry Stiebach at Coldwell Banker. (231)313-3331.

EAST JORDAN West, Edward Street, Peak of the LAKE. Near beach and boat ramp. Water and sewer. \$30,900. (231)933-1546.

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CHARLEVOIX NORTHSIDE
Self-storage units. 50 to 1,000 sq. ft., drive-in units, heated areas. Call Bob Kern, Real Estate One. (231)547-5100.

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1800 FARM EQUIPMENT
Large selection. Gruter's Farm Supply, 05475 US 31 South, Charlevoix (231)237-0893.

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BOAT SLIP 20x40 on Lake Charlevoix in Pine Lake Club (convenient facilities), minutes from Round Lake and Lake Michigan, for seasonal lease. \$4,200. (248)924-2247.

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TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 3, 2009
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400
File No. 199-5211
ASAP 3123707
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And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of June, A.D. 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Evaline, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

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2100 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made August 6, 2006, by Benjamin A. Hamel, a single man, as mortgagor, to First Community Bank, as mortgagee, and recorded on August 22, 2006, at Liber 762, Page 846, Charlevoix County Records. This mortgage has been modified by modifications of mortgage dated May 8, 2007, and recorded on May 25, 2007, at Liber 804, Page 608, and dated February 20, 2009, and recorded March 4, 2009, at Liber 878, Page 734, both Charlevoix County Records. The latest modification also added the dower interest of Tamara Jane Hamel to the lien of the subject mortgage. The entire balance secured by said mortgage having become fully due and payable by reason of the acceleration provisions contained in said mortgage and the promissory note secured thereby; and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice \$294,936.45, and no legal or equitable proceeding having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by the mortgage; and the power of sale contained in the mortgage having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on Friday, June 19, 2009, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., in the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, in Charlevoix, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, the premises described in the mortgage, situated in Hayes Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and described as follows:

UNIT 4, SUMMERHILL, A CONDOMINIUM APARTMENT TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 405, PAGES 371 THROUGH 439, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CONDOMINIUM PLAN NO. 116, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978 AS AMENDED, 15 007 570 004 00.

This sale is for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid on the mortgage, with interest at the rate of 5.25% per year, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including the attorney fees allowed by law and in the mortgage, and any sums that may be paid by the mortgagee subsequent to the date of this notice to protect its interests in the premises.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with Michigan Compiled Law 600.3241a. If determined to be abandoned pursuant to this law, the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale or 15 days from the date the required notice of abandonment is posted and mailed, whichever is later.

Dated May 1, 2009

First Community Bank
Mortgagee

200 E. Main Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Joel D. Wurster (P48708)
Attorney for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 2450, Petoskey, MI 49770
(231) 347-4988
(L/5/20/5/27.6/03.6/10.6/17)

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, Commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block C of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne, East 4 rods, South 10 rods, West 4 rods, North 10 rods to place of beginning; and also, commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of Block C of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne, thence South 10 rods, thence West 88 feet, more or less, to place of beginning, all being situated in the City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan.

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Dated May 20, 2009

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Diane Rose Skinner, unmarried, to Don and Therese Skunkle (Husband & Wife), Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2000 and recorded September 18, 2000 in Liber 396 page 569 Charlevoix County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Don & Therese Skunkle, 744 Division Street East Jordan Michigan 49727

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand fifty-one and 42/100 dollars (\$125,051.42) including interest at 7.0% per annum. Under the Power of Sale contained in said mortgage and the Statute in such case made

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Library

In preparation for its 10th annual book sale on Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library are accepting gently used books for resale. Donations can be dropped off daily in the Mason Street lobby of the library. Please do not leave books without covers, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Proceeds from this sale go to the children's department of the library.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. beginning June 6—weather dependent. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

American Red Cross classes

Call (231) 348-7666 or visit www.arcnlm.org for information on the American Red Cross' June classes. Classes include CPR, First Aid, a safe baby presentation and blood-borne pathogens—preventing disease transmission.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's fast pitch softball league

Looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

United Way Alumni Call

The Char-Em United Way is looking for United Way Leadership Donors or "Loyal Contributors" of 10 or more years.

If you have United Way experience or advice to share, call or e-mail Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way Executive Director, at 487-1006 or e-mail martha@char-unitedway.org. Char-Em United Way is planning to hold an informal meeting in early summer to gather United Way alumni, update them on activities and plans of the local United Way, and solicit their advice. Local United Way leaders are planning to develop a Loaned Executive program and would like to incorporate best practices of other communities.

United Way campaign

With only one month before it makes annual Community Investment Allocations, Char-Em United Way announces that it is nearing 90 percent of its campaign goal.

The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge grant to United Way if it meets the campaign goal. Tax-deductible contributions to the United Way 2008-2009 Campaign can be mailed to P O Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770. Gifts can be made online by going to www.char-unitedway.org and selecting "Give." For more information about United Way call 487-1006 or e-mail info@char-unitedway.org.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651
• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

CIRCLE OF ARTS

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

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The Odmak Pavilion Committee is looking for former students and friends of Clarence Odmak to sing in a Community Chorus for the dedication of the Odmak Pavilion on July 7. Odmak is remembered for his outstanding instrumental music program at Charlevoix Public Schools but he also directed Charlevoix High School's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus, as well as the choir at the First Congregational Church for many years. Rehearsals are in the Charlevoix Middle School band room. Call Ev Wujcik at 547-6376, Steve Kroll at 547-2074 or Leslie Cunningham at 547-2145 for more information.

Currently

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Berwick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club

Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

NOW THROUGH JUNE 23

Artist reception and show from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 2217 US 31 South.



COURTESY PHOTO

Celebrate the arts

This painting by Linda Bosa of Charlevoix will be one of many featured in an upcoming art exhibit on June 5 at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Call 547-3554 for more information.

JUNE 2

Demo host SOS candidate

At 7 p.m. on June 2, at the Charlevoix Public Library, Jocelyn Benson, candidate for Michigan Secretary of State, will be in Charlevoix to engage voters in a discussion of the Secretary of State's role to ensure "fairness, access to government, and integrity in the electoral process."

Benson, a professor of Law at Wayne State University, will begin what she describes as a "collaborative effort to make the office of Secretary of State more responsive to the voters of Michigan."

The meeting is open to the public and will be preceded by a dinner, at your own cost, at 5:30 p.m. at The Villager in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Bill Lovett at 547-3592 or e-mail lovett@freeway.net.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Blood drive

Noon to 5:45 p.m., June 2, at East Jordan Civic Center 101 Civic Center Lane

JUNE 3, 17, 24

History of Jazz

In conjunction with Jazz at the library program at Charlevoix library, there will be a series of lectures on the history of jazz. Programs are 6:30 p.m., June 3, 17 and 24 in the community room. Registration is required to this free event. Call 237-7340 or visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org for more information.

of the Great Lakes

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There will also be a First Friday of the Month social gathering at the Weathervane restaurant.

Call 547-3554 for more information.

JUNE 6

Fiddlers' Jamboree

The Original Michigan Fiddlers Association is putting on a Jamboree from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 6, at Whiting Park, located at 5820 Lakeshore drive, in Boyne City. An open mike jam will be from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and square dancing will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Food and refreshments available at this free event. Call (231) 582-1854 for more information.

JUNE 6, JULY 6, AUG. 3

Summer Folk Concert Series

At 7 p.m. see Will and Ann Rolland for a one-hour concert in the Community Room. Following is a "jam session" for all who bring an instrument to this free event.

JUNE 11

Transplant support

The Organ Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet at 6 p.m., June 11, at the Professional Building located at 829 North Osage Ave. Call (989) 983-4188 or e-mail bevo@core.com for more information.

JUNE 13

Shrimp bowl

The Boyne City Cajun Shrimp Bowl party is planned for 6 p.m., June 13 at Veterans Memorial Park in Boyne City. Cost is \$28. Send checks to Mark Madness.

Games will be on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The fee is \$15. Volunteer coaches or assistants are needed.

Call 547-3253 for more information.

JUNE 5, 26

Water Wonderland

The soft opening, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., June 5 at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St., is the opening of Water Wonderland, an art exhibit focusing on appreciation

JUNE 16

Bike 4 Breast Cancer

Registration for the fifth anniversary bicycle ride is 7

a.m., June 16 in Boyne City at Veterans Park, with races to begin from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

JUNE 17

Hestia award ceremony

On June 17 the Hestia Women's Giving Circle will host their third annual meeting and membership reception at a private residence. Call (231) 526-2326 or 526-8402 by June 11 to RSVP.

JUNE 18

Char-Em celebration

Char-Em United Way has announced a successful 2008-2009 Campaign, with \$324,793 donated and/or pledged. This amount includes \$306,393 from local businesses, employees, and individuals, and an \$18,400 challenge grant pledged by the Frey Foundation. The total is \$3,000 or 1 percent more than the amount of funds raised the previous year and an all-time record. They reached 92 percent of their increased campaign goal and raised more money than last year.

The success of the United Way campaign will be celebrated at a breakfast event at 8 a.m., June 18 at the Ozone in the Odawa Casino Resort.

At the Celebration Breakfast, United Way officials will present awards to volunteers and donors and distribute community investments to 2009 partner agencies.

For more information, contact United Way at (231) 487-1006 or info@char-unitedway.org.

JUNE 20

Book signing

Michigan Author Jerry Newland will sign copies of his book "The Military Is Like a Cold Shower" from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Round Lake Bookstore.

JUNE 24, AUG. 4

Library youth craft show

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., Aug. 4, the Charlevoix Library summer reading club will host a youth craft show in the children's garden. Kids will make crafts. A demo day will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., June 24.

Call 237-7350 to register and for more information.

JUNE 27, 28

Library book sale

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 27 and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., June 28, come to the 10th annual

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Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit

the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



COURTESY PHOTO

To China, with art

Pictured are (from left) Jane Kelly, a student at St. Mary School in Charlevoix who received recognition from her art teacher Lori Bolt for her participation and recognition in the 2009 4-H China Art Exchange Program. Jane's artwork was one of 65 pieces from Michigan to be sent to Binzhou City, Shandong Province in China. The Children's Art exchange is a means of communication through visual letters sent to children their own ages in China and Michigan.



FILE PHOTO

Northern Lights benefit

Matt Griemel is seen during last year's Northern Lights event praying for a winner at the Chocolate Raffle as Dan Buday looks on at St. Mary School. This year's annual Northern Lights benefit dinner/auction will be 6 p.m., June 26 at Castle Farms. Tickets are \$75 per person. There will be silent and live auctions, raffle and an open bar. Comedian Chris Linn will offer a night of entertainment. Call 547-6652 to make your reservations.

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Trout tourney bigger than ever

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Gas up the boat, grab your pole and get registered now for the city's annual fishing extravaganza.

This year's Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament boasts a newly added walleye division, thousands of dollars in cash and prizes and a kiddie fish-off in East Park's deluxe trout stream.

"We're thrilled to have the trout tournament back in downtown East Park this year," said Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority Executive Director Keith Carey. "Due to park construction the last two years the tournament was down at Ferry Beach, which was a good alternative, but I know they really wanted to bring the activity and action back downtown."

Registration for the event is noon to 8 p.m. June 10 and 11 in East Park.

The tournament will run June 12, 13 and 14. Cost to register is \$30 for

adults, \$10 for children ages 6 to 14 and no charge for kids 5 years old and younger, but they still need to register.

Paid registrants will get a trout tournament T-shirt and will be entered into the grand prize drawing.

This year there will be five divisions: Brown trout, lake trout, steelhead, salmon and walleye.

The prizes for steelhead, lake trout and salmon are:

- First place - trophy and \$1,000
- Second place - \$500
- Third place - \$300
- Fourth place - \$200
- Fifth place - \$100
- Sixth through 10th - \$50
- 11th through 20th - \$30

The prizes for brown trout and walleye are:

- First place - trophy and \$750
- Second place - \$375
- Third place - \$250
- Fourth place - \$125
- Fifth place - \$75

Bonus prizes of a special trophy will be awarded for the biggest fish caught on

a Michigan Stinger Spoon in the tournament. And, those with the biggest lake trout, salmon, brown trout and steelhead will have their catch mounted by Jeff Lutz's Lasting Memories Taxidermy.

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel is also excited the event is coming back to the downtown area.

"We're looking forward to an influx of boaters in the community and highlighting the trout stream with a little fishing tournament for youngsters on Saturday," he said.

Actual fishing in the tournament will begin 5 a.m., June 12 and ends at noon, June 14.

A mandatory meeting of team captains is at 8 p.m., June 11 in the Odmark Pavilion in East Park. Call (231) 330-0867 if you are unable to attend or need more information.

Weigh-in cards must be

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Mama Mia!

PHOTO BY KIM TAYLOR, COURIER

Young Americans performers sing a song from the hit movie *Mama Mia!* during a summer preview show on June 7 at Charlevoix High School. The Young Americans are currently seeking financial support to build a Young Americans' northern campus at Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs where Boyne Resorts has already offered as many as 15 acres on which to build. For more information or to help, call (231) 242-0242.

National comedian tops St. Mary fundraiser

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

You may have attended St. Mary School's Northern Lights celebration in the past, but you haven't seen anything like what's on tap this year.

In addition to moving the

event from the school's gymnasium to Castle Farms, this year's Northern Lights is featuring nationally renowned comedian Chris Linn.

"We've kicked it up a notch," said St. Mary School Principal Keisha Verseyer.

In addition to the catered beef and salmon dinner, an open bar and live and silent auctions, this year's event will include raffles for men's, women's and kids' packages.

"The women's is a spa get away at Bay Harbor for four

ladies. The men's package is fly fishing and golf and the kids' package is a \$250 gift card to Boyne USA to be used at Avalanche Bay," Verseyer said. "But, of course, the card can also be used anywhere at Boyne USA."

Dinner/comedy show tickets are \$75 per person.

Raffle tickets are \$20 for the men's or women's package, and \$10 for the kids' package.

Since nearly 20 percent of the school's funding comes from fundraisers like Northern

Lights, committee member and parent of four St. Mary students Roger Nesburg said events like this are critical.

"I believe supporting the school is mainly a parent and

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BIRTHS

Jack Dawson Thompson was born to Nate and Lisa (Boss) Thompson on May 28, at Spectrum Health Hospital in Grand Rapids. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 inches long even though he was born 5 weeks early. His 14-month-old brother Braiden Scott welcomed him to the family. Grandparents are Wayne and Sandy Boss of Charlevoix and Roger and Ann Thompson of South Bend, Ind. Great-grandparents are Dawson and Joan Way of Charlevoix.

Dylan James Bailey weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces was born May 31, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Pearl L. and Shawn Bailey of Boyne City. His sibling is Zachary M. Bailey. His grandparents are Barry Bailey and the late Sandra Bailey of Cheboygan. Betty and Alfred Sprague of Harbor Springs, and Warren Reinhardt of Boyne City.

Drew Alan Bryant weighing 7 pounds, 15 ounces was born May 29, to Andy and Myra Bryant of Boyne City.

Lilian Mae Flynn weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces was born at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Earl and Ambie Flynn of Petoskey. His siblings are Garrett, Riley and Bradley. His grandparents are Carol and George Flynn. Sue and the late Robert Skiba, all of Petoskey.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County:

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June 2	60	39	.01
June 3	54	41	—
June 4	54	38	—
June 5	66	46	—
June 6	77	45	01
June 7	52	46	23

Michigan:

Matthew Alan Fitzek, 18, Petoskey. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve five days in jail.

Wade Russell Leist, 25, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Daniel Russell Anthony, 47, Boyne Falls. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$310 in fines and costs.

Aaron William Goodwin, 21, Boyne City. Assault/assault and battery. Credit for three days in jail; 80 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$400 in fines and costs.

Esequiel Pedro Rojas, 26, Ravenna. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; to attend impact weekend; \$1,030 in fines and costs.

Tammy Sue Kenyon, 37, Boyne City. Embezzlement of an agent or trustee of less than \$200. To serve 10 days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

Michael Ray Trowbridge Jr., 18, East Jordan. Assault and battery. Credit for eight days in jail; to serve 22 days in jail; 63 days held in abeyance; serve 12 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,577.44 in fines and costs.

Daniel James Morse Jr., 31, East Jordan. Operating while intoxicated, second offense; use of marijuana. To serve 20 days in jail; 314 days held in abeyance; serve 60 days on an electronic monitoring device; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve 18 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,905.47

in fines and costs:

Adam Clay Raphael, 21, Boyne Falls. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 90 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

James Robert Smith, 30, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; serve 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; 67 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Michael David Jensen, 17, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 10 days of community service work; \$300 in fines and costs.

Rocky James Clark Jr., 47, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Owen Thomas Blanchard, 52, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated, first offense. Credit for seven days in jail; to serve four days in jail; to serve 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; 62 days held in abeyance; serve

20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,230 in fines and costs.

Tait Oliver Sayles, 38, Elmira. Assault and battery. Credit for two days in jail; 76 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$700 in fines and costs.

Bonnie Claire Lumley, 19, Rochester Hills. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Joshua Leonard Cano, 20, East Jordan. Driving while impaired; operator license revoked/denied/suspended/allow. To serve 60 days in jail; \$700 in fines and costs.

Mackenzie Rose Boatman, 25, Charlevoix. Operating a motor vehicle without security. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Jonathan Michael Mullen, 18,

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Rainbow scholars

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Rainbow Shoppe board president Karen Campbell presents a check for \$500 to Charlevoix High School graduate Bridget Peters (left). Bridget will attend Grand Valley University. Also awarded a Rainbow Shoppe Scholarship was Grant Oliver of Northwest Academy. Oliver will attend the Great Lakes Boat Building School this fall. The scholarships will now be given each year to two deserving students.

Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$880 in fines and costs.

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Library filters Internet to protect children

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Charlevoix library has taken measures to prevent children from viewing what it calls "offensive items" online.

The library already had a policy prohibiting viewing of violent and pornographic material, but the federal government's Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000 mandates that libraries hoping for certain grant monies filter their Internet.

"I think (Internet protection

act) is one more step that the government is kind of putting their arms around what we do and what we say, and I think we need to be very careful when the government starts telling us what we can and cannot read and can and cannot view," said Charlevoix Public Library Executive Director Valerie Meyerson. "It's a very sticky situation with lots of gray area because we're a public entity responsible for protecting the rights of everybody ... but also protecting children from harmful content."

She added, "So, the board decided this was a positive direction to take to help our patrons and protect the rights of their children."

Previously the library monitored content by having library workers physically watch over patrons using computers.

But, Meyerson said, it was becoming increasingly difficult to monitor all computer users due to the increase in the number of computers and users.

The machine doing the filtering is an external computer

system called a Barracuda. It cost \$1,200 and will allow library officials to filter specific sites and keywords which could bring up the undesired material.

"Public libraries really stand for freedom of information and the right to read," Meyerson said, adding that an 18-year-old, or older, patron can request to have the filter turned off during their time of use.

"Now that we are filtering the Internet we qualify for federal funding," Meyerson said. "We're going to receive about

\$3,500 for Internet services and an additional \$3,500 for telephone upgrades."

"While the new system will likely eliminate the majority of potential issues, Meyerson said the library's policy on Internet usage remains.

"If someone violates our policy they are given a copy of the policy and asked to read and sign it so they understand what we expect," she said. "A second offense will get the person removed from the library and their privileges suspended for one month. After a

third offense, the privileges are suspended (indefinitely) and can only be reinstated by the library board."

Meyerson said her staff has had to ask a few patrons over the years to leave for violating the policy.

"Nothing excessive," she said. "But we have had some issues in the past so that we had to put the policy in place."

Meyerson added, "This new program will keep it so there's less accidental viewing that might offend or upset parents and help protect kids."

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possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$250 in fines and costs.

Matthew Bare Ingalls, 29, Boyne City. Operating a motor vehicle without security. Pay \$365 in fines and costs or serve 14 days in jail.

Charles Edward Kvasnovsky Jr., 54, Farmington Hills. Operating while intoxicated, first offense; open intoxicant by motor vehicle driver. Serve 45 days on an electronic monitoring device; credit for one day in jail; to serve seven days in jail; 70 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,630 in fines and costs.

William Lee Alward, 28, Ellisworth. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend impact weekend; \$880 in fines and costs.

Jesse Frederick Farnor, 20, Petoskey. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 60 days in jail; serve 60 days on an electronic monitoring device; 274 days held in abeyance; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve two years on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,180 in fines and costs.

Sara Lee Groh, 32, Boyne City. Retail fraud, second degree. To serve 20 days in jail;

330 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; \$658.13 in fines and costs.

Timothy David Follette Jr., 25, Boyne City. Operating while intoxicated; attempting to flee and elude an officer. Credit for one day in jail; 337 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$2,030 in fines and costs.

Kimberly Renee Vos, 37, Boyne City. Retail fraud, third degree. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve 93 days in jail.

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Hospice is care, not curse

BY JEFFRAY N. KESSLER
GUEST COLUMNIST

Listening to Jim and Gloria Meredith talk reveals their passionate belief that Hospice has a branding problem, and they are out to do what they can to change it.

Jim has bone cancer. He and his wife of 58 years are dealing with it.

While others might predict a panicked obsession on the inevitability of a ravaging disease, the Merediths are calmly focused on a message they want to share.

"Early on, I happened to mention to a nurse that I thought Hospice was a death curse," Jim said. "Well, she turned out to be a Hospice nurse, and it was just the wrong thing, but really the best thing, I could have said to her, because right then was when my eyes were opened."

The Merediths both admitted to more than one of the common misconceptions that

label Hospice organizations and services.

Gloria said, "I knew they did home visits and fundraisers, but that's about it. Thinking about Hospice reminded me of that old book, 'The Scarlet Letter' in a way."

Jim added, "I remember when I was a kid, when someone died or was dying, there would be a black wreath on their door. That describes the image of Hospice I had."

According to Jim, Hospice is about the best, not worst, that life has to offer.

"Hospice, to me, has really been an extension of my life and an improvement to the quality of our lives."

Gloria listened to her husband, and thoughtfully added, "I'd have to say that denial is the other thing that keeps people from getting involved with Hospice early on. It's almost like a competition between denial and Hospice. If denial rules, it impacts the quality of

life in bad ways. If Hospice rules, the quality of life is improved in so many ways."

It is not as if the Merediths have had a great deal of time to learn about the advantages of becoming involved with Hospice services.

Their situation has pretty much forced the issue, and they credit their children for what they now know and enjoy.

"It was our kids who spearheaded the move to Hospice after a suggestion from one of the doctors," Jim said. "If not for the kids and the response they got from the local Hospice, I don't know where we'd be today."

Gloria added, "We had so little knowledge of Hospice. We didn't even know that we would qualify, but there again is something that people should know. Once your doctor makes his diagnoses and approves the Hospice program, there is no qualifying.

It's not like food stamps."

Now Hospice care is in full swing for the Merediths. The fact that they became involved early has allowed Hospice to employ its full armada of people and services.

"This is when we can be our best," said Hospice of Northwest Michigan Administrator Margaret Lasater. "Too often, people wait until the very end, and there is very little we can do. It's frustrating for us to know what all could have been done over a period of several months rather than several days."

A nurse visits them two to three days a week. They have enjoyed the efforts of the Hospice social worker and another professional comes in to care for Jim's bathing and hygiene, while there have also been equipment deliveries and transportation assistance.

"It's just love. The whole secret of the equipment and services is the love and all

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the hugs behind it," said Jim. "Just because a person gets on Hospice, it doesn't mean they are a quitter or are giving up. That's more misguided statements."

He added, "I've always been a fighter. Hospice has helped me look forward, and has even offered us freedom. Some people think you are instantly homebound, but that's just not

the case."

There is a sense of victory in the comforting surroundings of the Meredith living room. For more information on Hospice of Northwest Michigan, located at 411 East Division St., Boyne City, call (231) 582-8800.

Jeff Kessler can be reached by e-mail at perkins90@hotmail.com.

Foregiveness starts path to healing

In 1990 I left my safe and boring job at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington to join the newly formed management team at a nuclear power plant in Arizona.



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Stephen Guthrie

The utility, which operated the world's largest nuclear generating station, had violated so many safety rules that the commission had shut it down and demanded the entire senior management level be replaced.

We clearly understood the urgency of restoring the reactors, which represented a \$4.2 billion investment sitting idle in the

desert, so we were committed to working together to put into place the management systems and procedures that would earn the trust of the federal regulators that held the key to restarting.

What we would soon learn was that trust was the big issue with more than just the feds. With every task we set our hand to we quickly learned that distrust throughout the organization was the single biggest obstacle to progress.

The operators distrusted the mechanics, who blamed the electricians. The quality inspectors didn't have much faith in either of them.

The contracts group was suspicious of the auditors and accountants, who disliked the purchasing group. The maintenance people didn't trust the engineer's guidance, and the engineers didn't believe the tradesmen would follow procedures.

Security naturally distrusted everybody, and the whole place despised human resources, which was always assumed to be conspiring to cut jobs or cut pay.

When we realized we were all but paralyzed, the senior management team gathered everyone from the foreman level up in a big conference room and began the process of trying to find some common ground on which to build. Within a few minutes we had a room full of grown men and women out of control, all of them shouting, pointing, and blaming.

In the midst of that chaos the new manager of design engineering walked up to the big white board and, without a word, wrote this equation:

Time + Integrity = Trust. Then he sat down.

Gradually the nucleus subsided, and people began to ponder what he'd written. When the room was finally silent, that manager stood and began a masterful process of getting people to see how lack of

trust was killing us.

It was the beginning of a restoration process that eventually led to a successful restart.

I've never forgotten the impact of that discussion, and there is hardly a week goes by I don't write that formula on my white board for people who have come into the counseling office warning of fear of showing our hand. We make unfair assumptions about people, and sometimes we even throw the first punch, just to keep from getting hurt.

Rebuilding trust, however it is broken, has to follow the formula. It takes time. Sometimes lots of time. Nothing is restored overnight because the wounded one has to see integrity in action for some extended period to believe real heart-change has occurred in their betrayer.

While time is passing, the wounded one watches closely for the hallmarks of integrity in their betrayer: Sincerity, reliability, predictability, honor and respect.

Nothing about integrity can be contrived, and the schedule can't be forced, but at some point the wounded one has to take a small risk. If their betrayer responds with integrity they'll receive more chances to earn greater trust.

At the heart of that process is forgiveness, a distinctly Christian attribute.

When we choose forgiveness, we are most like God, who uses it as the basis for the salvation He offers. He expects us to extend it to one another just as He extends it to us. He expects us to give lots of second chances, just as He does.

God desires that we should be restored to one another, just as He longs for us to be restored to Him.

The way back begins with the formula. Try it with that special someone you don't trust.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services, by appointment at (231) 675-4682.

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Lindsey Malpass-Skop, Relay for Life media chair, Charlevoix County

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Who owns the water you drink?

BY JEFFREY DINE
EDITOR

Unless you have a well in your backyard, you pay for water whenever you get a bottle from the grocery store or turn on the tap to the municipal supply.

However, conservationist Dave Dempsey is adamant that water is not, nor can it become, a commodity.

"Can you imagine a day when the waters of Lake Michigan are bought and sold like a commodity on the New York Stock Exchange?" Dempsey wrote as a lead-in to his upcoming talk on the Great Lakes Compact of 2008 at 6:30 p.m., June 29 at Charlevoix Library.

The compact, an agreement among eight Great Lakes states, prevents water diversion and withdrawals, with few exceptions, from the Great Lakes.

Dempsey's major concern stems from the passage of the

compact with an exception which allows containers of water up to 5.7 gallons to be withdrawn from the lakes in quantities of up to 200,000 gallons per day.

Among his decades of serving as an environmental advisor to leaders like Michigan Governor James Blanchard and an appointee of President Bill Clinton to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission, he has authored five books on conservation.

"Many Michiganders have been lulled into complacency by the ratification of the Great Lakes Compact last year," Dempsey said. "That was sold as a prohibition on new exports of Great Lakes water, but it could make things worse. It specifically exempts water removed from the Great Lakes watershed and packaged as a product — like bottled water — from the prohibition."

Dempsey added, "That's dangerous in a century when experts are saying 'water is the new oil.' Growing population and water scarcity are raising the risk that public waters will be privatized."

One local water expert who worked extensively to help pass the compact said it does far more good than harm.

"We are pleased with the compact," said Greta Thomas, policy director for the Tip of the Mitt Watershed. "I think the fears of water being treated as a commodity are well founded, but in the international arena water is considered a product in certain circumstances."

Thomas said the only way to have passed the compact was to make an allowance for water bottling companies to continue withdrawing and selling water from the Great Lakes.

"Because the U.S. is in-

cluded in international trade agreements like NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) and the WTO (World Trade Organization), you cannot discriminate against a single industry when you're faced with international trade challenges," she said. "If we would have written the compact in a way that somehow discriminated against the bottled water industry ... it would have been subject to being invalid in federal court."

The use of water in products such as growing fruit and vegetables, making cherry jelly and baby food is not considered a diversion under the compact.

However, Thomas said, withdrawal of water by pipeline, boat, tanker truck, canal, aqueduct or other like means is prohibited.

Dempsey's talk will center on the history of the Great Lakes and include excerpts from two

of his Great Lakes books.

Dempsey said the main issues facing the Great Lakes include the need for the Great Lakes to remain public bodies of water, stopping invasive species from invading the Great Lakes, reducing pollution and

protecting fish and wildlife habitat.

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The spokesman for Nestle-Gerber did not return calls by press time.

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scale.

She is a student at Hope College located in Holland.

• Kevin W. Kusina and Melissa Lovis Perry, Charlevoix students attending the Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn., were recently named to the Dean's List.

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Girl Scout honorees

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On Thursday, May 14, Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore held the 2009 Teen Awards ceremony at Camp Sakakawea in Traverse City. Three girls from Charlevoix received awards: Allyson Pallagi and Amanda Hodgkinson both received their 10 Year Award and the Girl Scout Silver Award, which is the highest award a cadet can earn in Girl Scouts. And, Alicia Giudice was awarded her 13 Year Award, a Graduating Senior Award and Bridge to Adults Pin. In addition, Alicia recently earned her Gold Award, which is the highest award that can be earned as a Girl Scout and was the Key Note Speaker for the event, giving a speech entitled, "Writing Your Name in the Sand." As a whole, the council gave out the following number of awards that evening: 10 Year Award - 99; 13 Year Award - 14; Graduating Senior - 72; and Girl Scout Silver Award - 84. Pictured are (from left) Karen Micklatcher, CEO of Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Council; Allyson Pallagi, Julie Waterman, Membership Manager. Missing from the photo is Amanda Hodgkinson.

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Mobile screen repair, construction

**BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR**

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Lutz said prices vary by the project, but that an average house window re-screen could cost as little as \$10 to \$12.

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Unique training for island firemen

**BY STEVE ZUCKER
PETOSKEY-NEWS**

It was a weekend of firsts on Beaver Island as its fire department wrapped up firefighter training school that was the state's first ever to use teleconferencing technology.

Jesse Silva, a captain with the Charlevoix Fire Department and the head of the county's firefighter training program, said many state officials were on hand for the firefighters practical examinations which took place on the island Saturday.

In addition to a written examination, before earning their certification, firefighters must also pass several tests to demonstrate proficiency in the firefighting skills they learned during the class.

But before they can take the test, the firefighters attended 348 hours of classes.

Silva said it took many months of discussions before state fire training authorities would agree

to a pilot program that would allow the 19 firefighters on the island to take their classes along with their mainland brethren via a teleconferencing system.

Silva said although the program cost about \$40,000 to conduct, it would have cost about \$107,000 to train the same number of firefighters if they were required to travel to the mainland for all the classes.

And it's not just the classes that are a logistical problem — it's also the practical tests. The practical tests usually tie up a couple of fire engines for most of the day as the instructors put the class through their paces.

On the mainland this doesn't pose a public safety concern because fire apparatus and firefighters from neighboring departments can fill in should a call come in when the tests are going on.

That's not the case on an island, where there are no neighboring fire departments.

The organizers' answer to this dilemma? Create a second, temporary fire department on the island to respond, should any calls come in while testing is taking place.

To that end two engines (one from Charlevoix and one from Boyne Valley Township) were hauled to the island Friday aboard a Beaver Island Boat Company ferry along with about 22 firefighters from departments all over Northern Michigan to staff them.

Silva said the ad-hoc fire department was on stand-by on the island from about 11 a.m. Friday until about 3 p.m. Saturday.

He said the only response the stand-by crew had during that time was a minor hand injury to one of their own.

Silva said he was very pleased with how well all of the weekend's events unfolded.

He said all 19 students passed their practical exams with flying colors and although they will

have to wait several days until their written exams are scored, he's confident most or all will pass that test as well.

He said state officials who observed the weekend's activities seemed pleased with the results of the pilot program and are expected to recommend continuing the program.

Nine of the students are new to the island's fire department, which now numbers 20 firefighters.

Silva said the training is the first to take place on the island since 1994.

Silva said his favorite part of the weekend was a gathering on Friday evening where the firefighters presented chief Tim McDonough with a white chief's helmet for his efforts in bringing the training to the island.

He said there were few dry eyes in the room as McDonough received the helmet.

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From the Director's Desk

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Erin Bemis

Charlevoix Farmers Market

Coming soon is the Charlevoix Farmers Market! It will be held every Thursday in downtown East Park from 9am to 1pm. Buy the best and freshest baked goods, fruits, vegetables, flowers, cheese, and much more. Meet friends and neighbors, take home a new recipe, and enjoy yourself on market day. Opening day for the season is scheduled for Thursday, June 25th. We hope to see you there!

Chamber Announces New Legislative Director

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce will have a new Director of Government Relations starting Monday. Doug DeYoung will serve the chambers of the Northwest Michigan Regional Chamber Alliance which include: Petoskey, Traverse City, Cadillac, Charlevoix, Gaylord, and Benzie County. DeYoung will serve members of the Charlevoix Chamber with legislative issues and concerns, as well as spearhead advocacy issues that impact the region. Jamie Callahan had previously worked in this capacity. DeYoung most recently served as News Director at WPNB TV 7 & 4.

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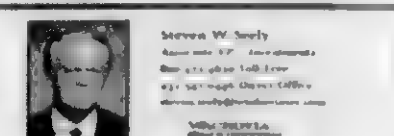
Last month, the place to be on May 14th was Business After Hours sponsored by the Northern Michigan Review & Charlevoix Courier at the Charlevoix Yacht Club. Attendees enjoyed an evening of hors d'oeuvres catered by Sadie & Jake's and the company of their colleagues.

If you are still talking about May's Business After Hours, you certainly won't want to miss the June event! On June 18th, the Regional Business After Hours will be hosted at Castle Farms. This means that businesses from Boyne City, East Jordan, Harbor Springs, and Petoskey Chambers will also be present. It is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission.

It is an excellent opportunity to meet and greet colleagues from the surrounding areas and also to promote your business to region. Sponsorship opportunities are available. If interested, contact the Charlevoix Chamber at 547.2101.

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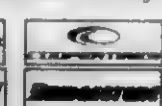
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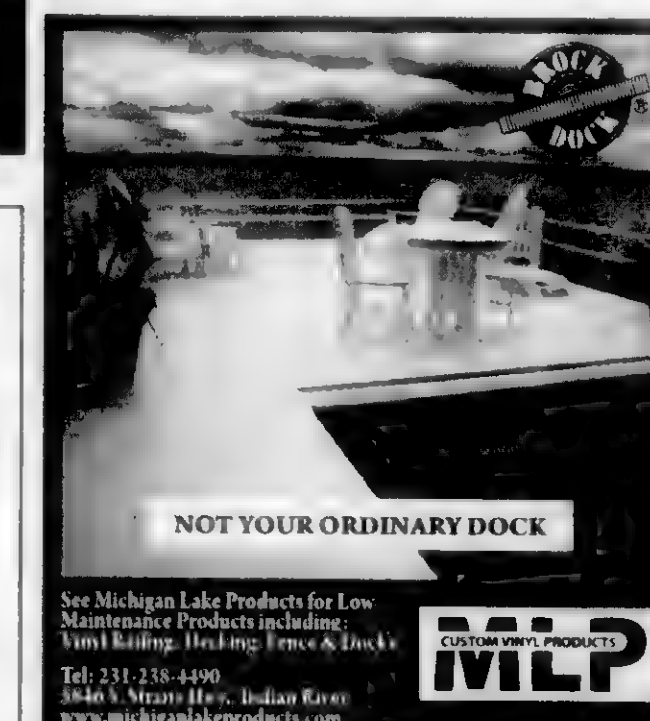
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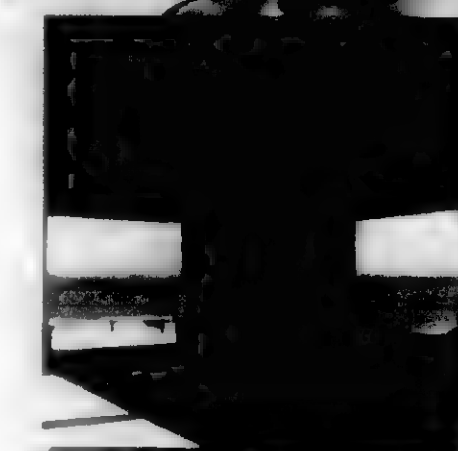


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- 9:45 a.m. Blessing of the Park, Raising of the Flag and National Anthem.
- 10 a.m. Opening Ceremony and Park Ribbon Cutting.
- 11 a.m. Group bike ride to Historical Museum in Petoskey.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Taking a Mulligan: Prep golfers take advantage of a second chance

Day two proved to be a whole lot better.

But in the two-day, 36-hole state high school golf finals, every stroke counts.

Petoskey's Joey Garber shot a second-round 74 Saturday after posting a 78 on Friday to finish in a tie for sixth place in the Division II state tournament on the Meadows on the campus of Grand Valley State University.

Charlevoix's Ty Jones shot the low round of the day, a 73, on Saturday in the Division III tournament at Eagle Crest on the campus of Eastern Michigan University to finish in a tie for eighth place.

Harbor Springs did likewise in the Division IV tournament at Forest Aikens East on the campus of Michigan State University. After shooting a 324 in Friday's first round, the Rams improved by 16 strokes to post a 308 and finish in sixth place, their best finish in the state tournament in decades.

Duke Dyksterhouse, one of four seniors in Harbor's five-man lineup, led the charge, shooting 71 on Saturday as four of the five Rams improved their scores from day one.

"This year were were 72 shots better in the state finals than we were last year," Harbor coach Brian O'Neill said. "The kids earned it. They worked their tails off from the start of the year in March we said we're going to work harder than any team in our area and they did. The kids should be proud."

Division II

Garber's 74 on Saturday gave him a 152 two-day total, tying him for sixth place with Derek Smith of Riverview, Ben Kuiper of Grand Rapids Christian and Matt Sheperd of Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

Garber's 78 in Friday's first round was his high round of the season.

"When it's all said and done, he's still averaging under par even with a 78 thrown in there," Petoskey coach Chad Loe said. "He was extremely hard on himself. As a golfer you expect the best every time that you walk onto a golf course and sometimes some outside force, be it the weather or the course setup or whatever ... you don't have your best performance and you are disappointed, but it doesn't take away from the fact that we were at the state finals."

Alex Zanette of Orchard Lake St. Mary's defeated Jon Walraven of Flint Kearsley on the fifth hole of a playoff to capture medalist honors. Both finished with a 147 total.

Notre Dame Prep shot 316-318 — 634 to win the team title, while Haslet, 324-313 — 637 placed second. East Lansing, 327-314 — 641, was third. The Northernmen shot 344-335 — 679 to place 14th in the 15-team field.

Petoskey, like Harbor Springs,

posted better scores — almost to a player — on the second day than on the first. For the Northernmen, Jamie Braddock shot 88-83 — 171; Ian Haven finished 83-91 — 174; Hunter Pulaski carded 95-90 — 185; and Tyler Goodwin shot 100-88 — 188.

"I think the guys, including Joey, were a little disappointed, but we did make it to the state finals and we're still one of the top teams in the state," Loe said. "It's nothing to shake your head at. Immediately (after Friday's round) we went to the range. We were one of only two teams at the range and we were there the longest and that was because the guys had expectations of how they should have played. That, to me, was a bright spot after day one; the guys wanted to go to the range to chip and putt and work on their game. Joey led the charge in that. He's a great leader by example and maturity."

Division III

Charlevoix's Jones, a junior, bounced back from an opening-round 85 to catapult himself to a top-10 finish. He made six birdies in his Saturday round.

Jacob Rykse of Kalamazoo Christian captured medalist honors when he defeated Taylor Desfontains of Grayling in a playoff. Both shot 76-77 — 153 to finish tied for the top spot.

Jones tied for eighth with Tony Fanola of Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central and Patrick Scheffers of Kalamazoo Chris-

tian. Each finished at 158. Jackson Lumen Christi won the team title by shooting 314-320 — 634, while defending champion Big Rapids was second at 321-321 — 642. Kalamazoo Christian, 316-326 — 642, placed third.

The Rayders finished 355-344 — 699 to place 12th in the 15-team field.

Also for Charlevoix, Wyatt Drost shot 85-88 — 173; Gunnar Whitley shot 92-88 — 180; Ryan Wimmer shot 93-96 — 189; and Thomas Ruch shot 95-95 — 190.

All five players will return next season.

"We just got off to a horrible start," Charlevoix coach Doug Drenth said. "It was not a great way to finish the season, but the guys have a lot to be proud of. They said they can't wait till next year."

"I really believe, as a coach, you have to go through these experiences. With this under their belts, it's such a valuable experience for them. I really look forward to what we can accomplish next year and in the next couple years."

Division IV

Harbor Springs made an almost unbelievable second-day change, improving by 16 strokes to finish in sixth place. The Rams were one of just two teams in the 15-school Division IV field to shoot a better score, 308, on the second day of

the tournament than they did on the first, 324.

"It was amazing," O'Neill said. "I think the first day it was nerves and things. They were confident and comfortable going in, but you've still got to pull the trigger and do it."

"The second day, they were comfortable, had nothing to lose, and we talked with the four seniors that are on the team, we said 'Go out, have fun, and finish strong' which has been our motto all year."

"The guys went out and put up a number that far exceeded what (assistant coach) Joe Breighner and I thought they could do."

Kalamazoo Hackett posted a remarkable 286 in Friday's opening round, counting a 68, a 70, a 72 and a 76. The Fighting Irish led by 13 shots over second-place Traverse City St. Francis, the defending state champion.

"As far as I know that's the lowest single day team score that I can remember," O'Neill said. Hackett posted a 301 on Sat-

urday to finish at 587 and easily win the tournament. White Pigeon, 302-304 — 606, was second, while the Gladiators finished 299-312 — 611 to place third. Harbor finished at 632.

"We didn't get a chance to see Kalamazoo Hackett at all during the season," O'Neill said. "When they came out and threw a 286 up the first day, it was kind of a blow to the system, really. We went down there thinking we had a chance to win and our focus was on St. Francis."

"We just had to try to fight our way up (on Saturday) and climb up the ladder. We called it moving day and the boys moved in a positive direction. It was a very fun atmosphere from start to finish."

Dyksterhouse finished 79-71 — 150, just two shots out of a top-10 finish, while Tyler Parkin shot 78-75 — 153; Peter Breighner shot 82-77 — 159; Alex Green finished 85-86 — 171;

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Golfers take second chance PREP

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and Peter Wendland shot 95-85 — 180.

"The experience part of it is what makes the big difference in the end," said O'Neill, who added he was thrilled with his team's sixth-place finish after it was tied for eighth after Friday's opening round. "Kalamazoo Hackett shot 301 on the second day and we were at 308 and could have easily been in the 200s. Finishing sixth just proves the point — experience was the difference." Inland Lakes junior Brandon Vizina, who qualified

as an individual, shot 77-80 — 157. Chase Olsen of White Pigeon defeated Sheldon Keyte

of Hackett in a playoff to capture medalist honors. Olsen shot 72-68 — 140, while Keyte shot 68-72 — 140.



Really big fish

Opening day for bass season on Lake Charlevoix was an exciting one for Brian Peters and his 5-year-old son Matthew. They caught both the largest Northern Pike and the largest smallmouth bass they have ever caught. They released each fish back into the lake after admiring them.

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The Hamptons in Charlevoix

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The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society will host "The Hampton Family in Northern Michigan" at 7 p.m. Monday, June 22, at the Charlevoix Public Library's Community Room. Guest speaker will be Mary Beth Soeliner, great granddaughter of Dr. Carlos D. Hampton, first mayor of Harbor Springs, and granddaughter of Will E. Hampton, Editor and owner of The Charlevoix Courier. Will E. Hampton appears in the photograph (back row, right) with his parents, Carlos and Cornelia Hampton, and his older brother, Charles. Mary Beth's grandfather was also Mayor of Charlevoix in 1907, a bicycle racing enthusiast, and wrote the letter that led to the building of the first Carnegie Library in northern Michigan in Charlevoix. She will share documents, pictures, and a variety of memorabilia - some of which was brought by her great grandmother by lumber wagon in war-torn 1865 from Texas to Michigan. The program is free and open to the public. The CCHPS Annual Meeting will follow the program. For more information, visit www.cchps.info or call 582-6326.

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St. Mary supporter Amy Plachner is seen here purchasing her chocolate bar for the chocolate raffle during last year's Northern Lights celebration. This year the chocolate raffle has been replaced with raffles for a men's package, a women's package and a children's package offering fishing and golf, a day at the spa and \$250 toward the water park at Boyne USA, respectively.

St. Mary fundraiser

TOPS

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family commitment, but we do ask for the public's help," he said. "Fundraising is just one of those things we must do in education today."

Aside from the great food and fun of socializing with friends, family and community members who simply enjoy supporting the school, Nesbitt also enjoys the school's year in review segment of the evening.

"Parents know their kids are in school, but to see the face in

the classroom, to see the face in the recreation area, to see the face doing the daily routine on this Power Point presentation really brings it to life," he said.

St. Mary School teaches pre-kindergarten through sixth grades and had 100 students this past school year.

The Northern Lights event is 6 p.m., June 26 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

Get your tickets by calling 547-6652.

Annual fishing extravaganza

TROUT

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more information. Weigh-in cards must be picked up by 10 a.m., June 12.

Steelhead and brown trout must measure at least 20 inches.

Lake trout, salmon and walleye must measure at least 24 inches.

The awards ceremony is 1 p.m., June 14 in East Park.

The time for the kids' fishing tournament on Saturday, June 13, in East Park has yet to be announced.

To get your order form, visit www.trout-tournament.com.



FILE PHOTO

The winners of the 2008 Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament are (from left) Eric Clark, Chris Peplinski, Willie Skrocki and Les McFarland. This year's event, June 12, 13 and 14 includes a walleye division and thousands of dollars in cash and prizes.

Support the event that supports Hospice

The annual Hospice of Northwest Michigan Benefit Auction will be 5:30 p.m. on Friday June 19 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

The event features a large variety of hor d'oeuvres, door prizes, beverages, entertainment, a cash bar and silent and verbal auctions—all included in your \$40 ticket.

Among the auction items available are: a Mackinaw Bridge tower climb pass for two, hand-crafted items such as table runners and quilts, restaurant and specialty foods, gift certificates, sailing tour, lodging, a kayak, lawn and

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All proceeds from the auction benefit Hospice of Northwest Michigan, your local Hospice Program that assists patients and their families in times of serious illnesses.

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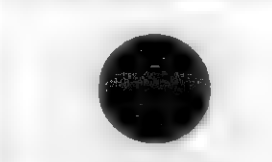
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy Rebecca Segaves and Larry James Henig, husband and wife as joint tenants, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated December 5, 2006 and recorded December 13, 2006 in Liber 777, Page 589, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Trust 2007-EQ1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Nine and 85/100 Dollars (\$173,579.85) including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11:00 a.m. on JULY 10, 2009.

Said premises are located in the City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 39 and 40, Bailey and Wilson's Addition to the Village of Boyne, City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 78, Charlevoix County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 3, 2009
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 199-5211
ASAP 3123707
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Henry T. Sanders, a married man, and Marilyn P. Sanders, his wife, of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgage to Independent Mortgage Company, formerly known as Independent Mortgage Company East Michigan dated the 29th day of March, A.D. 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 9th day of April, A.D. 2007, in Liber 798, Page 567 of Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$753,956.54 (seven hundred fifty-three thousand nine hundred fifty-six and 54/100) plus accrued interest at 7.375% (seven point three seven five) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of June, A.D. 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Eraline, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence North 0 Degrees 06 Minutes 14 Seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.38 Feet to a point in the center line of Deer Lake Road; thence South 54 Degrees 08 Minutes East along said Center Line 101.68 Feet; thence continuing South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of Deer Lake Road; thence continuing North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 inch of said Section; thence North 89 Degrees 33 Minutes 37 Seconds East along said South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 33 Degrees 20 Minutes 43 Seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 113.99 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of said road; thence continuing South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 62.59 Feet to the Center line of said road; thence North 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said center line 37.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2009
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2155 Butterfield Drive
Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48064
WWR 10023188
(L-5/20.5/27.6/03.6/10)

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gaged made by Thomas D Gilmore and Sally M Gilmore husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated May 12, 2006, and recorded on May 16, 2006 in Liber 746 on Page 708, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Eight and 16/100 Dollars (\$80,158.16) including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1 East 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, Block 1, Stone's Second Addition to the Village of South Lake (now city of East Jordan), according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 93, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 10, 2009
For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1302
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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Henry T. Sanders, a married man, and Marilyn P. Sanders, his wife, of Charlevoix County, Michigan, Mortgage to Independent Mortgage Company, formerly known as Independent Mortgage Company East Michigan dated the 29th day of March, A.D. 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 9th day of April, A.D. 2007, in Liber 798, Page 567 of Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$753,956.54 (seven hundred fifty-three thousand nine hundred fifty-six and 54/100) plus accrued interest at 7.375% (seven point three seven five) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of June, A.D. 2009, at 11:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, Charlevoix County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Eraline, in the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence North 0 Degrees 06 Minutes 14 Seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.38 Feet to a point in the center line of Deer Lake Road; thence South 54 Degrees 08 Minutes East along said Center Line 101.68 Feet; thence continuing South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of Deer Lake Road; thence continuing North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 inch of said Section; thence North 89 Degrees 33 Minutes 37 Seconds East along said South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 33 Degrees 20 Minutes 43 Seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 113.99 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of said road; thence continuing South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 62.59 Feet to the Center line of said road; thence North 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said center line 37.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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TOWNSHIP OF Eraline, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE CENTER LINE OF THE CHARLEVOIX-COYNE CITY HIGHWAY 50 FEET WEST OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE AND 50 FEET THEREFROM 513.3 FEET TO THE SHORE OF LAKE CHARLEVOIX; THENCE ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 58 DEGREES 00' WEST 160.3 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 43 DEGREES 25' WEST 148.5 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SHORE NORTH 43 DEGREES 25' WEST 85.1 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42 DEGREES 56' WEST 231.6 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 37 DEGREES 35' WEST 61.42 FEET TO THE CENTER LINE OF THE CHARLEVOIX-COYNE CITY HIGHWAY; THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION EAST 57.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THIS INCLUDES ALL LAND TO THE WATER'S EDGE OR OTHERWISE.

Commonly known as: 6533 Ferry Road
PPN: 006-124-031-00

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2009
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Claude A. Cutler II, a single person, to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2006, and recorded on July 24, 2006 in Liber 757 on Page 315, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Midfirst Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Four and 43/100 Dollars (\$123,004.43), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

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PPN: 006-124-031-00

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lori Baker, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 11, 2007, and recorded on December 19, 2007 in Liber 830 on Page 811, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand and 34/100 Dollars (\$129,104.34), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 8, Johns Subdivision No. 1, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 189 and 190, Charlevoix County records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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ing Circuit Court in said County) on Friday, June 12, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

Said premises are described as follows:
AN UNDIVIDED 25% INTEREST IN UNIT 50, THE CABINS, BEING FRACTIONAL ID "D", ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 411, PAGE 939, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 518, PAGE 575, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 126. TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

Commonly known as: 01285 Powder Ridge Dr #50D, Boyne Falls, MI 49713.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 2009
NANTZ, LITOWICH, SMITH, GIRARD
Attorneys for Mortgagee
By: Sandra S. Hamilton (P-41980)
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Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block C of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne; thence South 10 rods; thence West 4 rods; North 10 rods to place of beginning; and also, commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of Block C of N. Morgan's Addition, to South Boyne; thence South 10 rods; thence West 88 feet, more or less, to Phillip Green lot; thence North 10 rods to South side of Main Street; thence East 88 feet, more or less, to place of beginning, all being situate in the City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 20, 2009
For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James C. Barr, a married man, and Julie Barr, his wife, (original mortgagor(s)), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 22, 2003, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix, Michigan, on August 26, 2003 in Liber 566, Page 514, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of May 13, 2009 the sum of \$102,718.63, including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing a 3/4 inch pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence North 0 Degrees 06 Minutes 14 Seconds East along the West line of said Section 1070.38 Feet to a point in the center line of Deer Lake Road; thence South 54 Degrees 08 Minutes East along said Center Line 101.68 Feet; thence continuing South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of Deer Lake Road; thence continuing North 06 Degrees 28 Minutes 45 Seconds East along the prolongation of the last described course, 358.9 Feet to a T-iron stake on the South 1/8 inch of said Section; thence North 89 Degrees 33 Minutes 37 Seconds East along said South 1/8 inch 3.67 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 33 Degrees 20 Minutes 43 Seconds East 446.72 Feet to a T-iron stake; thence South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 113.99 Feet to a T-iron stake on the Northeastly line of said road; thence continuing South 01 Degrees 12 Minutes 32 Seconds West 62.59 Feet to the Center line of said road; thence North 51 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said center line 37.51 Feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 32 North, Range 6 West.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kirstin Marie Omistak, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 15, 2007, and recorded on August 22, 2007 in Liber 815 on Page 933, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen And 68/100 Dollars (\$102,117.68), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 19, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block C of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne; thence South 10 rods; thence West 4 rods; North 10 rods to place of beginning; and also, commencing 24 rods East of the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of Block C of N. Morgan's Addition, to South Boyne; thence South 10 rods; thence West 88 feet, more or less, to Phillip Green lot; thence North 10 rods to South side of Main Street; thence East 88 feet, more or less, to place of beginning, all being situate in the City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan.

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mortgage(s). To Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated March 28, 2005, and recorded on April 11, 2005 in Liber 603 on Page 793, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Ninety-Eight And 16/100 Dollars (\$63,098.16), including interest at 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, Block B, Nicholson's First Addition to the Village of South Lake (now City of East Jordan).

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 3, 2009

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Trust

THE LOUNSBERRY TRUST

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent Harold E. Lounsberry, who lived at 26105 Back Highway, Beaver Island, Charlevoix County, Michigan 49782, died May 1, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the decedent and the trust described below shall be forever barred unless presented to Sally S. Lounsberry, Trustee of the Lounsberry Trust dated March 17, 2003, P.O. Box 497, Beaver Island, MI 49782, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: June 10, 2009

Elizabeth A. Hughes (P33445)
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Sally S. Lounsberry, Trustee
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gordon G. Hunsaker and Diane M. Hunsaker, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Charter One Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated

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March 8, 2004, and recorded on March 18, 2004 in Liber 603 on Page 507, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Five And 64/100 Dollars (\$621,685.64), including interest at 4.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit No. 7, Lakeshore Club Condominium, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 383, Page 427, Charlevoix County Records, and First Amendment recorded in Liber 396, Page 101, Charlevoix County Records, and Second Amendment recorded in Liber 404, Page 515, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Subdivision Plan No. 100.

Together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 3, 2009

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1311

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory Allen Pleak aka Gary A. Pleak and Patricia M. Pleak, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 11, 2003, and recorded on April 21, 2003 in Liber 533 on Page 643, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Five And 79/100 Dollars (\$87,195.79), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 26, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit No. 7, Lakeshore Club Condominium, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 383, Page 427, Charlevoix County Records, and First Amendment recorded in Liber 396, Page 101, Charlevoix County Records, and Second Amendment recorded in Liber 404, Page 515, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Subdivision Plan No. 100.

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County, Michigan, and are described as: Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest fractional one-quarter of Section 31, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, except beginning at the Northeast corner; Thence South 250 feet; Thence West 1320 feet; Thence North 250 feet; Thence East 1320 feet to the point of beginning. Also except the South 10 acres of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest fractional one-quarter of Section 31, Town 32 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 27, 2009

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael J. Garzon, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated November 14, 2005, and recorded on November 18, 2005 in Liber 717 on Page 209, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Citimortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight And 00/100 Dollars (\$120,008.00), including interest at 7% per annum.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory Allen Pleak aka Gary A. Pleak and Patricia M. Pleak, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 11, 2003, and recorded on April 21, 2003 in Liber 533 on Page 643, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Five And 79/100 Dollars (\$87,195.79), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on June 26, 2009.

Dated: June 3, 2009

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1301

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Township of Wilson, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan Commencing at the South quarter corner of Section 36 North, Range 6 West; thence South 89 degrees 06 minutes 52 seconds West along the South line of said Section 657.90 feet for the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 06 minutes 52 seconds West along said Section line 332 feet; thence North 0 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds East 1315.29 feet; thence North 89 degrees 13 minutes 27 seconds East 331.98 feet; thence South 0 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds West 1314.40 feet to the point of beginning; BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST. Subject to the right of way of Pesek Road.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament

Little Lauren Shepard of Charlevoix proudly presents her first catch of the day. The 4-year-old was among the dozens of kids who had the chance to do their own fishing during the Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament on Saturday, June 13.

'Taste' offers big flavor

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Crabcakes, bourguignon and focaccia, oh my.

Not only does the 6th Annual Taste of Charlevoix boast more participating food and beverage vendors than ever, but so, too, have organizers expanded the entertainment line-up.

"We have fudge, soups, a pasta station, ribs, wine beer and everything in between," said Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Erin Bemis. "This is a great family-oriented activity with live entertainment, all different foods and drinks and many kids' activities and all with the best view in downtown."

This year's event, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on June 20 in East Park, also features two premium musical acts: the North Country Strings Band and Yankee Station.

Children's activities include jump houses, face painting, crafts, a dunk tank, a duck pond, balloons and a Camp Daggett activity course.

There is a flat \$2 fee for unlimited use of the children's activities.

Tickets to the event are \$1 each, with each vendor charging anywhere between one and five tickets.

Celeste Mordick's Fudge will supply fudge.

Edgewater Bistro will have bistro pizza and crabcakes.

Friskie's Orchard is making strawberry shortcake and smoked ribs.

G & Papa's is supplying



FILE PHOTO

More than a dozen chefs from a wide array of eateries will show off their prowess in the kitchen as they prepare treats from Italian bread sticks and pasta to fudge and gourmet coffee during the annual Taste of Charlevoix event in East Park this Saturday, June 20. A brewer and several wine makers will also attend the event.

their cheesy bread sticks known as Jeffy sticks.

Guiseppie's Italian Grille will offer their BBQ salmon Caesar salad.

Grey Gables is braising beef bourguignon.

Kelsey B's has Ferry Beach bread and asparagus-stuffed pork tenderloin.

The Rowe Inn offers Marquis au chocolat and Rowe Inn terrine.

Sadie & Jake's Cafe offers

Charlevoix cherry salad and green tea frappe.

Stafford's Weathervane will make Great Lakes chowder and Cajun lamb chop pops.

Stone House Bread is featuring several types of focaccia bread and a baguette with feta spread.

Terry's Place is making shrimp provencal.

The Villager Pub is offering

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Horton Bay Parade no more

JENNIFER RICHARDSON
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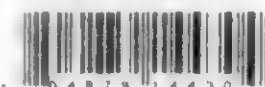
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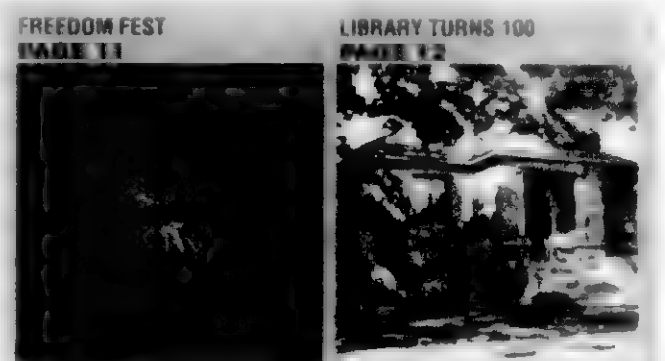

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Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament

Little Lauren Shepard of Charlevoix proudly presents her first catch of the day. The 4-year-old was among the dozens of kids who had the chance to do their own fishing during the Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament on Saturday, June 13.

'Taste' offers big flavor

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Crabcakes, bourguignon and focaccia, oh my.

Not only does the 6th Annual Taste of Charlevoix boast more participating food and beverage vendors than ever, but so, too, have organizers expanded the entertainment line-up.

"We have fudge, soups, a pasta station, ribs, wine beer and everything in between," said Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Ernie Bemis. "This is a great family-oriented activity with live entertainment, all different foods and drinks and many kids' activities and all with the best view in downtown."

This year's event, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on June 20 in East Park, also features two premium musical acts: the North Country Strings Band and Yankee Station.

Children's activities include jump houses, face painting, crafts, a dunk tank, a duck pond, balloons and a Camp Daggett activity course.

There is a flat \$2 fee for unlimited use of the children's activities.

Tickets to the event are \$1 each, with each vendor charging anywhere between one and five tickets.

Celeste Murdock's Fudge will supply fudge.

Edgewater Bistro will have bistro pizza and crabcakes.

Friske's Orchard is making strawberry shortcake and smoked ribs.

G & Papa's is supplying



FILE PHOTO

More than a dozen chefs from a wide array of eateries will show off their prowess in the kitchen as they prepare treats from Italian bread sticks and pasta to fudge and gourmet coffee during the annual Taste of Charlevoix event in East Park this Saturday, June 20. A brewer and several wine makers will also attend the event.

their cheesy bread sticks known as Jeffy sticks.

Guiseppie's Italian Grille will offer their BBQ salmon Caesar salad.

Grey Gables is braising beef bourguignon.

Kelsey B's has Ferry Beach bread and asparagus-stuffed pork tenderloin.

The Rowe Inn offers Marquis au chocolat and Rowe Inn terrine.

Sadie & Jake's Cafe' offers

Charlevoix cherry salad and green tea frappe.

Stafford's Weatherlane will make Great Lakes chowder and Cajun lamb chop pops.

Stone House Bread is featuring several types of focaccia bread and a baguette with feta spread.

Terry's Place is making shrimp provencale.

The Villager Pub is offering

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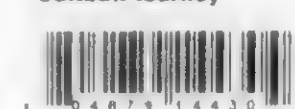
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BIRTHS

Katherine Mary Matter weighing eight pounds, five ounces was born June 2, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Dawson and Kelly Matter of Charlevoix. Her siblings are Alex and Ben Matter. Her grandparents are Susan Killam, David Matter and Mark and Ruth Murray all of Charlevoix.

Eloise Iden Polleys weighing eight pounds, three ounces was born June 6, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Sarah and Ted Polleys of Charlevoix. Her grandparents are Robert and Nan Polleys of Boyne City, Thomas Ferree of Battle Creek, and Nanette

Miller of Marshall. Her great grandparents are Barbara Iden Ferree from Florida and Shirley Miller of Michigan.

Anthony Eden Potts weighing six pounds, 13 ounces was born June 5, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Dallas Tueker and Randal Potts of Mancelona. His grandparents are Bobby Tucker, Eugena Tucker, Teresa Perkins all of Mancelona and David Potts of Kansas.

Hannah Lee Sustic weighing six pounds, 14 ounces was born June 5, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Matt and Nicole Sustic of Charlevoix. Her

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- 9:45 a.m. Blessing of the Park, Raising of the Flag and National Anthem.
- 10 a.m. Opening Ceremony and Park Ribbon Cutting.
- 11 a.m. Group bike ride to Historical Museum in Petoskey.

Celebration hosted by: Resort Township, CMS Land Company, Top of Michigan Trails Council and the Little Traverse Wheelway Committee.

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sister is Lorelei Marie Sustic. Her grandparents are Dorothy and Rick Tournat of Jacksonville, Fla.; Dan and Julmira Sustic of Leipers Fork, Tenn.; and John and Dennis Angermueller of Charlevoix. Her great-grandparents are Jack Sustic of Lenoir, Hank and Shirley Keys of Torch Lake Village, and Margrit Davis and Evelyn Russell of Charlevoix.

SANE

The Straits Area Narcotics

Enforcement Team (S.A.N.E.) made the following arrests:

May 5, Scott Michael Barkley, a 37-year-old male Boyne City resident, was arrested for one count possession with intent to deliver marijuana and one count habitual offender—second offense. The subject was lodged at the Charlevoix County Jail.

May 20, a 28-year-old female Boyne Falls resident, was arrested for one count delivery of OxyContin and one count second or subsequent offense. The subject was lodged at the Otsego County

Jail.

May 28, a 42-year-old female Charlevoix resident, was arrested for one count possession of marijuana. The subject was lodged at the Emmet County Jail.

Those wanting to report narcotics activity are encouraged to call S.A.N.E. at (800) 621-8651.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Jacob John Maltby, 26,

Boyne City. Larceny more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for 47 days in jail; 298 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve 18 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$2,687.61 in fines and costs.

Terence Michael Brochu, 52, Boyne City. Use of marijuana. Serve 15 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; 75 days held in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to

consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$700 in fines and costs.

Scott Allan Lousselle, 44, Charlevoix. Two counts of domestic violence. Credit for 14 days in jail; to serve 92 days in jail; \$1,300 in fines and costs.

Caleb David Williams, 33, Grand Rapids. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Shirley Mae Nelski, 41, East Jordan. Open intoxicant. Pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Todd Dennis Russell, 45, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Serve 30 days of community service work; 334 days held in abeyance; to serve two years on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend sobriety court; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

Judge recused from whistleblower suit

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Judge Richard M. Pajtas of Charlevoix's 33rd Circuit Court recused himself from the Jim Easley whistleblower case against Charlevoix County after being petitioned by the defendants.

According to court records, Pajtas' reason for granting the motion to recuse himself was because, "The court is familiar with the parties and witnesses."

"As an employee of the Charlevoix County Circuit Court, Judge Pajtas is required to seek approval for budgetary appropriations and salary increase for himself and his staff from the board of commissioners, including defendant (Chris Christensen, District Two commissioner)," the defendants stated in their motion. "In 2007 and 2008, spending freezes were imposed by the board of commissioners and budget cuts and spending freezes may be implemented this year."

They further stated,

"If a spending freeze is implemented this year, Judge Pajtas will be required to appear before the board for itemized approval of any non-operating expenses."

The defendants Charlevoix County and Christensen then cited in their motion four cases against the county where Pajtas



Easley

recused himself in the past.

They also cited a law which states that judges with more than a minimal interest which could be affected by the proceeding should be disqualified from hearing the case.

"If this court continues to preside over this case, there is more than a (minimal) interest that could be substantially affected by the proceeding."

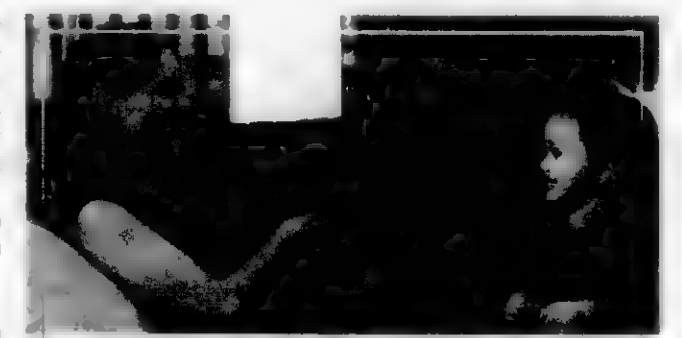
Easley was fired by a 4-2 vote of commissioners back in February for lack of perfor-

mance.

Easley's whistleblower case hinges on his claim that he was fired for reporting a fellow employee, who he claims is friends with Christensen, for improperly installing a light switch at the county building.

Easley's legal representation Mary Beth Kur did not return calls by press time.

Christensen declined to comment on the judge's decision citing the ongoing legal battle.



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Time for a phragmites redux



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

I met last week with Sue Costa—a very appropriate name for someone concerned with shorelines—from that association to discuss the phragmites problem.

We are mostly in agree ment

Among other things we agreed that words are important.

And, like the philosophers say, "First we must define our terms."

To describe a plant as invasive does not mean that it is invading from some other place, only that it is a vigorous competitor, and is capable of crowding out some other vegetation.

In botanical terms "alien" and "exotic" mean essentially the same thing.

But, note how different people respond to those words.

"Alien" has almost exclusively negative connotations.

"Exotic" sounds much more positive.

Both words, when applied to organisms, mean that the plant, animal or person is from another country, or at least some place that is not here.

Some of us would correctly describe objects, people or plants from Michigan's Upper Peninsula as exotic, but few would call them aliens.

About whether the phragmites growing along our shores is alien or not, we concluded that it doesn't make much difference.

The plant is troublesome to property owners wherever it comes from.

If stopping the invasive spread of phragmites is de-

scribed as control, that's fine.

But, if the goal is eradication, that is not only undesirable, it is impossible.

Eradication means literally to pull something out by the roots, and to eliminate it completely.

Control, on the other hand means, keeping a plant where we would like to have it.

Just as we might control the dandelions in our lawn without expecting their eradication, we can control phragmites.

The Lake Charlevoix Association is developing careful plans for the control of Phragmites on private property.

I applaud their care and

concern

If you have concerns about the care of Lake Charlevoix, you might consider joining the Lake Charlevoix Association.

Write to P.O. Box 294, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or e-

mail them at www.lakecharlevoix.org.

Meeting and talking about a problem is a great way to come to understanding.

Politicians should pay attention.

Second, in a current case in court, we heard many statements of oversight by the prosecution.

They did not present information in a timely way to the defense as is required by law.

Oversight.

Can we ordinary citizens use this as an excuse to ignore the law?

Destruction of public property is inexcusable.

Out-of-pocket cost to the school system was less than \$300.

Destruction of our faith in the judicial system is enormous and not so easily replaced.

Barb and Tim Clagett Charlevoix

My last reason is that you'll have more practice. A lot of skaters, bikers or bladers forget how to do tricks over the winter.

An indoor skatepark would allow skaters, bikers,

or bladers to bike, skate or blade all year and not forget tricks. If you're skating, biking or blading all year, you'll have more time to get better at the sport. And the better you get, the better you'll feel about yourself.

In all, I believe an indoor skatepark would benefit all skaters, bikers, or bladers of Charlevoix and help them stay more active year-round. Thank-you for your time.

Parker Elowsky Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

Editor: Do you enjoy the Venetian Carnival each year?

I do, but I think a major change should be made. That is, that the town should consider moving the location to behind Harbor Industries.

First, there would be a whole lot more room. That means more room for rides, more room for games, and more room for fun.

It would also really make wristband day more worth it.

Obviously, I think the carnival would be a whole lot better if it was behind Harbor Industries.

Thank-you so much for reading my letter. Thank you for your time.

Sammy Hovie Sixth-grade Student, Charlevoix Middle School

Editor: Throughout the year, Charlevoix High School Performing Arts has been able to put on many productions.

This past year we hosted a haunted house, a talent show, Clue the Musical, forensics, and Seussical the Musical.

We feel as though all of these were successful.

It is through reflection that we realize that none of these would have been successful without the support of the community and some local businesses. We would like to thank everyone who has made any of our productions a success.

Thank-you to the community for all of the support through donations and attendance at the shows.

Thank-you the Charlevoix Rotary for their wonderful donation that allowed us to purchase our new traveling sound board.

Thank you the Greyerbiels and Mrs. Seeley.

Thank-you to the Charlevoix Courier and the Petoskey News-Review for covering our productions and our desire to help in the community.

Thank-you to the parents for their support through attendance, costuming, hair and make up, set design and construction, judging, driving, donations, late nights, and mostly support for something that is a passion, and experience, and ultimately an education to be better students and people.

Thank-you for everything We couldn't have done any of it without you.

Charlevoix Performing Arts Students

WEEKLY POLL

Should the Charlevoix Library filter Internet content in order to receive federal grant money?
Yes (30 Votes, 79%)
No (8 Votes, 21%)

This week's poll question:
Should the judge have recused himself from the Easley whistleblower case?

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No shortage of fun this weekend

EDITORIAL

With so much to do in the area this weekend you might be wondering just where you should go.

We say, go everywhere.

Start your weekend early with the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival which begins Wednesday, June 17 with a Rock Band video game tournament at 5 p.m. in the East Jordan Civic Center.

Then, at 5 p.m. on June 18 the carnival starts in downtown with rides and midway games.

From 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, June 19 there will be food and fun with 24 non-profit vendors selling food or hosting kids' games with Dave Cisco on the main stage singing and playing music.

We can't wait for the air-bent rides beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 20 launching from the tourist park and we love the bed race at 3:30 p.m. on Main

Street. See the full story on page 11.

Also happening this weekend is the annual Taste of Charlevoix from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 20 along East Park with more than a dozen vendors offering everything from pasta and gourmet coffee to micro-brewed beer and Michigan wines.

History buffs won't want to miss the official Civil War style funeral services on Saturday June 20, for two long-deceased veterans of the American Civil War—one buried in Charlevoix, the other in East Jordan.

The Robert Finch Camp of sons of the Civil War will arrive dressed in Civil War uniforms and perform two services.

The first service is at 11 a.m. in East Jordan's Sunset Hill Cemetery. The second service will be at 2 p.m. the same day in Charlevoix's Brookside Cemetery. The public is welcome to both

events. See page 9 for the full story.

The fun doesn't stop there.

There is also a softball tournament in the ball fields off Carpenter Street all weekend.

And, those who wish to support one of the area's largest cancer testing fund raisers can attend the Pink Ribbon Ride which begins in Boyne City's Veterans Park. See page 7 for the whole story.

The aforementioned events don't even take into account the numerous beaches, fishing holes, boating areas, restaurants and more that the area has to offer.

All in all we'd say Charlevoix County is a veritable hotbed of family-friendly summertime activities.

So, get out there and enjoy as many of these events as you can—we know we will

Building head chosen

BENJAMIN GOHS EDITOR

Charlevoix County Commissioners unanimously appointed Nelson Fletcher as the head of the county's building and safety department on Wednesday, June 10.

The department has been overseen by interim supervisor and county electrical inspector Robert Hilton in the wake of firing former long-time department head Ken Doty in February.

"I think that Nelson will do a great job for the county," said District Two Commissioner and chairman of the board of commissioners Chris Christensen. "Robbie did a fantastic job, but Nelson seemed to be the best for the county and for the position."

Fletcher, who served several years in the military and nearly 13 years in human resources with Northern Michigan Hospital, has worked for the county building department for 10 years.

"I'm excited ... and looking forward to the challenge," he said. "I hope I can be of ser-



Fletcher

vice to the county."

Fletcher has lived in the Charlevoix area since 1975.

He has no plans to make any drastic changes until he gets the "lay of the land."

"We'll just be focusing on the work we have," he said. "In the last month, the number of permits has increased dramatically from the previous months."

But, he added, "They're small and medium sized jobs like additions and renovations."

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OPINIONS yours & ours

LETTERS to the editor

NO FAITH IN SYSTEM

Editor:

Do we have ignorance, in competence or lack of integrity?

We have had faith in the justice system during our whole lives.

How disappointing it is to lose that faith in our wonderful city of Charlevoix in the last 12 months.

Our officials, who have sworn to uphold the law, boldly preach defiance of the law.

My first reason is that Charlevoix would be more active in the winter.

There could be a kid that likes to skateboard, but doesn't like to snowboard. An indoor skatepark would stop him from being lazy all winter.

Also, an indoor skatepark would add wheel sports to the selection of activities that are available in Charlevoix.

You would be able to skate on rainy days, too.

My next reason is that you could get more exercise. By doing these new sports added to the winter sports, you could lose a lot of weight.

You could get fit, too. By pedaling, pushing, jumping, etc., you could build a lot of muscle.

My last reason is that you'll have more practice. A lot of skaters, bikers or bladers forget how to do tricks over the winter.

An indoor skatepark would allow skaters, bikers,

or bladers to bike, skate or blade all year and not forget tricks. If you're skating, biking or blading all year, you'll have more time to get better at the sport. And the better you get, the better you'll feel about yourself.

In all, I believe an indoor skatepark would benefit all skaters, bikers, or bladers of Charlevoix and help them stay more active year-round. Thank-you for your time.

Parker Elowsky Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

Editor: Do you enjoy the Venetian Carnival each year?

I do, but I think a major change should be made. That is, that the town should consider moving the location to behind Harbor Industries.

First, there would be a whole lot more room. That means more room for rides, more room for games, and more room for fun.

It would also really make wristband day more worth it.

Obviously, I think the carnival would be a whole lot better if it was behind Harbor Industries.

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TAKE SKATING INSIDE

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My second reason is that it would be still in town and close.

For instance, it would still be within walking distance.

It's close to a huge neighborhood so more people would want to come.

Furthermore, it's close to a bank and when some people get around banks ... well, I think we both know what can happen.

Third and lastly, it would be just all-around more convenient.

There would be less traffic downtown during the festival.

Also, since when downtown the carnival helps the businesses that are downtown, then they could open up stands at the carnival.

It would be easier also to get across the bridge since there would be less traffic because the carnival would be downtown.

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Chamber, DDA seek town docents

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

You may have heard of a museum docent but a town docent?

That's right, Charlevoix's Downtown Development Authority and chamber of commerce are partnering on a plan to place people downtown to tell newcomers all about the petunia province.

"This is something that a lot of resort communities out west have put in place," said downtown development authority director Keith Carey. "The goal of the program is to make everybody feel welcome and appreciated in Charlevoix."

But, organizers of the fledgling Charlevoix Community Host Program need your help. "We are looking for anybody that likes to talk about Charlevoix," Carey said. "The pilot program we will do on a limited basis — eight initial dates that coincide with holidays or significant festivals oc-

curing downtown."

While Carey said it would be nice to see folks with extensive knowledge join the program, no experience is necessary. All you need is a winning attitude and a love of Charlevoix. The authority and chamber will supply the training and the bright red T-shirt.

"We're just looking for friendly individuals who like to talk about Charlevoix," he said. "We'll provide an orientation session that the chamber will lead."

Carey added, "We don't expect folks to be a Charlevoix encyclopedia, but we would hope they won't hesitate to direct people to the chamber if they cannot answer a question."

Tentatively the program will offer two shifts per day: first shift from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; second shift from noon to 4 p.m. during events like the Summer Solstice Art Fair and the Venetian Festival.

A maximum of 16 volunteers will be needed unless volunteers offer to work more than one date during the summer season.

Volunteers will be situated downtown, but will be expected to advise patrons on attrac-

tions county-wide.

Carey said the program could be extended a few more days depending upon the number of willing volunteers. "I think its success will be determined by how well it is received by visitors and how many folks are willing to help," he said. "Really, it's just formalizing what a lot of folks who spend time in downtown Charlevoix do anyway — greeting individuals whether they know them and if somebody looks confused or looks like they're seeking something, to offer assistance."

Carey said potential volunteers shouldn't be afraid of missing any of their favorite events while participating in the program.

"There's nothing precluding people from going into the shops downtown and browse or enjoy a musical performance in East Park," he said. "Just being available and visible in the bright red shirt with the logo will send the message that we're willing to go that extra mile."

Those interested in a position may contact Carey at 547-3257 or e-mail him at kcarey@cityofcharlevoix.org.

Vander Heide 40th Anniversary

The friends of Sam and Julaine Vander Heide are announcing the celebration of the 40th Wedding Anniversary of the couple at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 21 at the Community Reformed Church in Charlevoix.

Sam Vander Heide and Julaine Mansen were married on June 21, 1969 in the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church by the Rev. A. F. Mansen, the bride's father. Sam retired from Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant and Julaine is a retired nurse.

Their children's names are Brett Vander Heide of Lakeland, Fla., and Mike and Heidi Wilkinson, also of Lakeland. They have one grandchild, Owen.

The couple resides at 5095 Castleview Drive in Charlevoix.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Open House at the Church where cake and



Sam and Julaine Vander Heide

other desserts will be served.

Guests are also invited to join them at their worship services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m.

No gifts, please.

For further information, call Theda Williams at (231) 357-8360.

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Ride continues for lost friend

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

For the love of a fallen friend, Sue Morris continues coordinating a fundraiser which helps fight cancer throughout the community.

Though in his seventh year as an annual event, the original organizer of the Charlevoix Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride never lived to see the first one.

"She died six months before the first ride," Morris said of her friend Kathleen McDonald. "I said I'll do this one time for Kathy and be done, but I believe so much in the cause that right now it's seven years later and I'm still doing it."

The pink ribbon bike ride is part of a larger national effort to raise money for local breast cancer awareness programs and testing.

"A mammogram can cost anywhere from \$160 to \$200 ... and we were able to help 61 women get a mammogram last year," Morris said. "Twelve of these women needed further tests and four women needed follow-up biopsies and they had those paid—when you're

going through this you don't need to worry about how you're going to pay for it."

So far, more than 100 people have signed up for the event, and there is still time to join the various bicycle rides.

Call (231) 536-7066 or e-mail penbryn@charter.net or register the day of the event at 7 a.m., June 20 in Veterans Park in Boyne City.

The rides begin at 7:30 and continue starts through 9 a.m. The cost to ride is \$30.

Ride routes include a 42 and

55 mile route and 20 and seven-mile routes.

"There is a lot of national research and awareness, but not a whole lot to do with getting money back in the community," Morris said. "Our biggest goal is to provide mammograms and testing for women who can't afford it."

she added, "We will stick to that goal until they find a cure."

Morris hopes to meet and exceed last year's fundraising total of \$28,000.



COURTESY PHOTO

Participants in last year's Pink Ribbon Ride fundraiser for cancer awareness and early detection helped raise nearly \$28,000.



COURTESY PHOTO

Four generations

This picture was taken on Mother's Day at the Edgewater Bistro in Charlevoix by Andrew Mallouk. Pictured are (from left) Krista Berlage, 37, of Charlevoix; Meri Lyn Bennett, 60, Montague; Ava Marie Berlage, 5, of Charlevoix; and Eileen Edwards, 86, of Charlevoix.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Michigan Technological University honored the achievements of nearly 900 graduates May 2, at Spring Commencement. Among them was Pamela S. Hilton of Charlevoix with a bachelor's of science in applied ecology and environmental sciences—Magna Cum Laude.

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What's happening at the Library this week?

Writers Group
Wednesday 6:30 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished, and novices - for support and other new ideas with other writers.

History of Jazz Lectures
of Chris Ames, Jazz Enthusiast
Wednesdays, June 17 and 24, 6:30 PM
Learn about the history, culture and chronology of jazz while looking at the various musical formats that grew out of the genre. CD and lecture guide provided. Registration required. All ages welcome.

American Red Cross Babysitter's Training
Thursday June 18 6:00 - 4:00 pm
For ages 11 - 15 who would like to learn the appropriate skills to use.

Quilters and Friends
Thursday, June 18, 10:00 - noon
Join other quilters for a work session and sharing ideas - bring your project and machine!

Story Time
Thursdays 10:30 am
For ages birth through age 3. Join others for stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun!

Charlevoix PUBLIC LIBRARY
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Ice Bridge: Mackinac Island's Hidden Season
Thursday, June 18 6:30 pm
Jean Mark Renel and Jerry Silvernale and several of the island's history buffs.

100th Anniversary Celebration
Sunday June 21 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Angela Maycock, Assistant Director of the Office of Intellectual Freedom at the American Library Association will discuss how libraries have become staunch supporters of the freedom to read. Refreshments afterwards.

BookTalkers: The Zookeeper's Wife
by Diane Ackerman
Monday, June 22 6:00 pm
When Warsaw was devastated in WWII, the city's zoo was also destroyed. With most of the animals dead, the zookeepers took the opportunity to smuggle Jews into empty cages. Based on the memoirs of Antonina Zabotko.

The Zookeeper's Wife is an exciting and unforgettable portrait of courage and grace under fire. All are welcome to attend this lively discussion group.

Spanish Conversation Circle
Beginning Tuesday June 23rd, 6:30 pm
Join others for an hour of conversation in Spanish and come back each Tuesday through the summer.

Craft Idea & Demo Day
Wednesday June 24, 11:00 - 1:00 pm
Come discover to enhance your own ideas for crafts to make for fun and for sale - great for kids who are interested in the summer's craft.

French Conversation Circle
Tuesdays 8:00 am (June-July-August)
Everyone welcome to come and practice your French skills.

Earth Tones Music
Tuesday June 23 6:30 pm
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OBITUARIES

Winifred Mary Claire McDonough: Dec. 20, 1921 - June 8, 2009

Winifred Mary Claire (LaFreniere) McDonough died at her home on Beaver Island, MI on Monday, June 8, 2009.



McDonough

Winifred, "Wini," was born on Beaver Island on Dec. 20, 1921 to Nels and Sophia (Boyle) LaFreniere, the seventh of eight children. She graduated from Beaver Island School and on Sept. 2, 1939 married Lawrence McDonough, who survives. The couple raised their six children on the island and for a number of years ran several businesses before moving to Charlevoix. In 2005 they returned to Beaver Island as full-time residents.

Known for her warm and generous nature, Wini's hospitality was boundless. In the early days of tourism on Beaver Island, Lawrence (then the Captain of the ferry boat)

would often bring visitors to their home for dinner, knowing that Wini delighted in meeting people and sharing one of her wonderful meals.

In later years, the couple, who were wed for nearly 70 years, was still noted for their hospitality and the many memories and stories concerning island history they were always happy to share.

Active in the community, Wini helped launch the Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce, was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church on the island and St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix, and assisted in the organization of the original Health Clinic on the island.

Wini and Lawrence together operated the Pine Tree Dairy, and Wini operated an island laundromat and thrift shop, worked on countless fund raisers for various island projects, and still had time to host special teas for the island ladies.

She was extremely proud of her family and their accomplishments and had close relationships to her grandchildren

and great-grandchildren.

Along with her parents, Wini was preceded in death by six of her siblings and their spouses: Eva (Lloyd) McDonough, Patrick (Elizabeth) LaFreniere, Archie (Frances) LaFreniere, Veron "Dick" (Jean) LaFreniere, Joseph "Bussy" (Alberta) LaFreniere, and Rita (James) Elms.

Along with her husband, she is survived by her children and their spouses: Gary (Jean) McDonough of North Fort Myers, Fla.; Larry (Kay) McDonough of Grand Rapids; Joe (Tarry) McDonough of Beaver Island; Kevin (Linda) McDonough of Beaver Island; Pam (Brad) Grassmick of Farmington Hills; and Kathy (Tim) Gonyeau of Washington Township, and one sister Helen (LaFreniere) Pike of Beaver Island.

Wini is survived by her grandchildren: Lori, Debbie, Eric, Keri, Dan, Michael, Christine, Shane, Erin, Colleen, Keith, Brian, Timmy, Noel, Marty, Bridget and six great-grandchildren.

On Friday, June 12, Wini was brought home to her final resting place on Beaver Island aboard the Emerald Isle, with her family in attendance.

Visitation on Friday followed at Holy Cross Church, with a rosary said at 7 p.m.

A funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 13 at Holy Cross Church, with Father Patrick Cawley officiating.

Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Preferred memorials in Wini's name may be made to the Beaver Island Rural Health Center, Holy Cross Altar Society or the Beaver Island Community School's 21st Century Scholarship fund.

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Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Pastor: Neil Jarney 547-1871

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Church Office 547-9482

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
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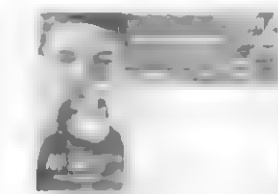
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Winifred Mary Claire McDonough: Dec. 20, 1921 - June 8, 2009

Winifred Mary Claire (LaFreniere) McDonough died at her home on Beaver Island, MI on Monday, June 8, 2009.

Winifred, "Wini," was born on Beaver Island on Dec. 20, 1921 to Nels and Sophia (Boyle) LaFreniere, the seventh of eight children. She graduated from Beaver Island School and on Sept. 2, 1939 married Lawrence McDonough, who survives. The couple raised their six children on the island and for a number of years ran several businesses before moving to Charlevoix. In 2005 they returned to Beaver Island as full time residents.

Known for her warm and generous nature, Wini's hospitality was boundless. In the early days of tourism on Beaver Island, Lawrence (then the Captain of the ferry boat)

would often bring visitors to their home for dinner, knowing that Wini delighted in meeting people and sharing one of her wonderful meals.

In later years, the couple, who were wed for nearly 70 years, was still noted for their hospitality and the many memories and stories concerning island history they were always happy to share.

Active in the community, Wini helped launch the Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce, was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church on the island and St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix, and assisted in the organization of the original Health Clinic on the island.

Wini and Lawrence together operated the Pine Tree Dairy, and Wini operated an island laundromat and thrift shop, worked on countless fund raisers for various island projects, and still had time to host special teas for the island ladies.

She was extremely proud of her family and their accomplishments and had close relationships to her grandchildren

and great-grandchildren.

Along with her parents, Wini was preceded in death by six of her siblings and their spouses: Eva (Lloyd) McDonough, Patrick (Elizabeth) LaFreniere, Archie (Frances) LaFreniere, Veron "Dick" (Jean) LaFreniere, Joseph "Bussy" (Alberta) LaFreniere, and Rita (James) Elms.

Along with her husband, she is survived by her children and their spouses: Gary (Jean) McDonough of North Fort Myers, Fla.; Larry (Kay) McDonough of Grand Rapids; Joe (Tarry) McDonough of Beaver Island; Kevin (Linda) McDonough of Beaver Island; Pam (Brad) Grassmick of Farmington Hills; and Kathy (Tim) Gonyeau of Washington Township, and one sister Helen (LaFreniere) Pike of Beaver Island.

Wini is survived by her grandchildren: Lori, Debbie, Eric, Keri, Dan, Michael, Christine, Shane, Erin, Colleen, Keith, Brian, Timmy, Noel, Marty, Bridget and six great-grandchildren.

On Friday, June 12, Wini

was brought home to her final resting place on Beaver Island aboard the Emerald Isle, with her family in attendance.

Visitation on Friday followed at Holy Cross Church, with a rosary said at 7 p.m.

A funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 13 at Holy Cross Church, with Father Patrick Cawley officiating.

Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Preferred memorials in Wini's name may be made to the Beaver Island Rural Health Center, Holy Cross Altar Society or the Beaver Island Community School's 21st Century Scholarship fund.

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Freedom fest blasts off

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NEWS-REVIEW

Games, fireworks, carnival rides and musical entertainment are just a few of the events that will take place during the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival, which kicks off Wednesday, June 17.

The Freedom Festival, which runs through Sunday, June 21, brings with it a host of activities and is the community's signature event of the year.

"The festival is the pride and joy of the community," East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Mary Faculak.

A main event on Wednesday is a tournament involving the video game Rock Band at 5 p.m. at the East Jordan Civic Center.

On Thursday, June 18, the carnival will start at 5 p.m. This is also Breezeway Cruise Night, where visitors are encouraged to travel the "Breezeway" between East Jordan and Atwood.

Friday, June 19, is one of the most eventful days throughout the festival.

Gretchen Bender, chairperson for the festival's organizing committee, said, "Friday is going to be our biggest night. We have so many events going on, it'll be a blast."

Some of those events include a flea market starting at 9 a.m., and both a block party and youth parade at 6 p.m. on

Main Street. The parade will be starting on Main Street and ending in the marina parking lot.

Faculak said for many people, the block party is the highlight of the entire festival.

"It really becomes almost a homecoming party — a town reunion for the whole community," Faculak said. "Many people make a point of coming back to East Jordan for the block party each year."

Bender said the best event of the evening on Friday is the silent auction, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Main Street.

"We are giving away lots of items. All the benefits will go toward nonprofit organizations," she added.

On Saturday, June 20, there are many events scheduled as

well. Airboat rides take place at 10 a.m. and will be launching from the tourist park. The E.J. Sno-Mobilers Club will host family games at 10 a.m. Later in the day, at 3:30 p.m., there will be a bed race downtown on Main Street. Registration and rules are available at the chamber.

The grand parade will be at 4 p.m., starting on the west side of the bridge heading toward Main Street. The parade will end at Watson Field. One final event on Saturday will be a lip-synch contest at 6 p.m. in Memorial Park. The fireworks will take place downtown at about 10:15 p.m. that night.

On Sunday, June 21, there will be both a Freedom Lov-

ers' breakfast from 7-11 a.m. and the eighth annual flea market at 9 a.m. Both events will take place at the E.J. Sno-Mobilers Club.

Another notable milestone at this year's festival will be the 100th birthday of the landmark EJ&S train engine that resides in Memorial Park.

Members of the East Jordan Lions Club have recently been working on repainting Engine No. 6 in preparation for the festival.

According to festival organizers, the East Jordan & Southern Railroad was originally a logging railroad hauling lumber to the mill on Lake Charlevoix in East Jordan. In 1901 it was incorporated as a common carrier and con-

nected to the Pere Marquette in Bellaire.

When most of the area's tree stands had been logged-out the EJ&S converted into a passenger and freight rail road.

The railroad became well-known for the free rides it offered on Independence Day during which "bandits" would rob the train. The train made its final run on Aug. 12, 1961.

For more information or a complete schedule of Freedom Festival activities visit the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at www.ejchamber.org or 536-7351.

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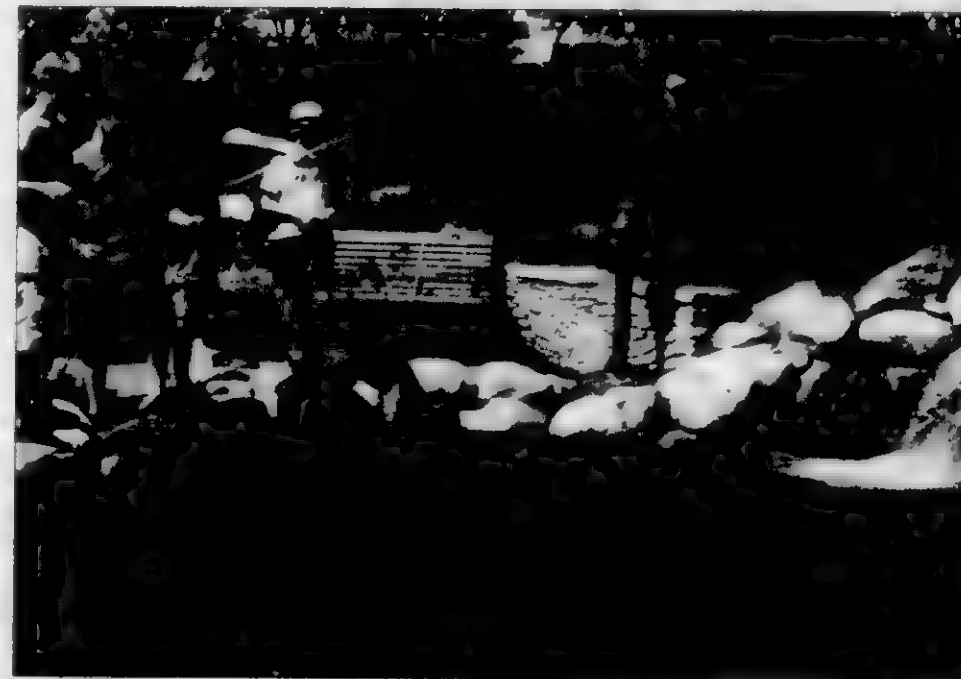


Winners in the 2009 Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament display their winning fish. From left are: Chris Lakee of Linden with a 19.46 pound salmon, Barry Aspenleiter of Petoskey with a 11.54 pound steelhead, Ron McDonough of Charlevoix with a 10.78 brown trout, and Amos Skrocki of East Jordan with 8.58 pound walleye.

G. RANDALL GOSS/NEWS-REVIEW

Dozens of youth turned out for the kids' fishing pond portion of the Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament on Saturday, June 13. More than 100 lake trout were planted in East Park's trout pond living habitat feature. For a fee participants were able to keep the fish they caught. All proceeds went to help Pop Warner Football of Charlevoix.

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There was no shortage of fish to be caught during the kids' fishing event last weekend. The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority provided 120 lake trout in East Park's new trout stream and pond living habitat feature.

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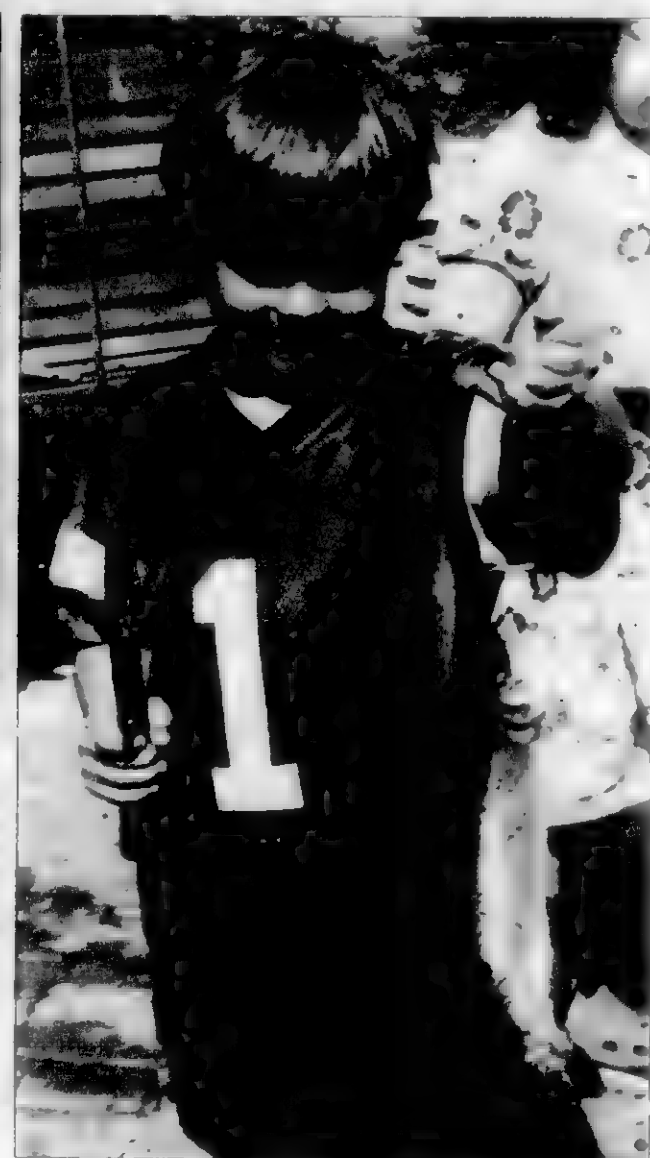


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Jake Beaudoin eyes his catch of a lake trout from the new trout stream and pond in East Park in downtown Charlevoix during the annual Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament last Saturday.



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Susan Nugent of Linden showed her pup Sophie around East Park on Saturday, June 13. The warm sunny weather and curiosity about the downtown activity with the trout tournament seemed to draw people from all over. Nugent said she came to the park to see the finished product.



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David Smith of Charlevoix took time from his busy frolicking in the fountain in East Park to mug for the camera. Smith and his mother Synthea were just two of hundreds of people who enjoyed the park during the Lake Charlevoix Area Trout Tournament on June 13.

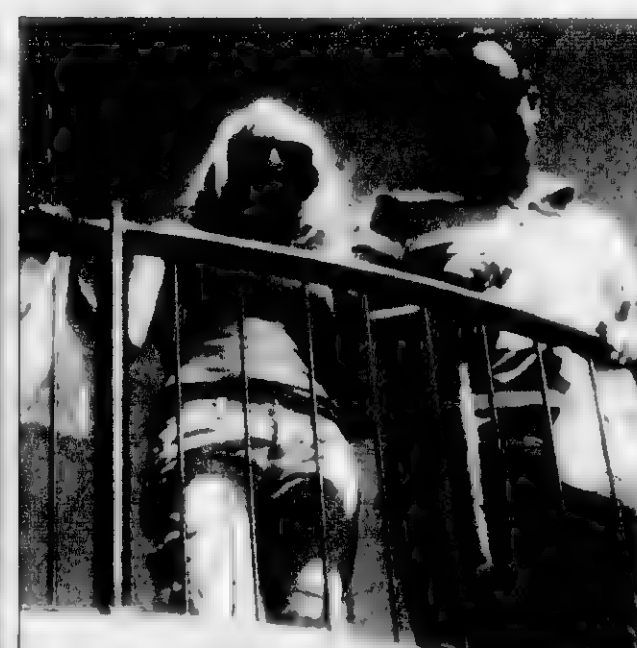


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Pat and Chris Raiston of Elk Rapids enjoyed the unique view of Round Lake from the upper deck of the Harbor Master's building in East Park. The two enjoyed an afternoon of shopping and sightseeing in downtown Charlevoix during trout tournament festivities.



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Paul Weston (left) and Tim Boyko spent part of their Saturday afternoon, June 13, discussing how beautiful the new East Park is. The two said they couldn't imagine a better place to relax and converse on a summer day in Charlevoix.



Father and son Phil Skeel (left) and David Skeel were out for a ride and decided to stop and take a look at East Park during the trout tournament on Saturday.

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Justin Swartz of Grand Rapids enjoyed one of the first truly summer-like days on Saturday, June 13. The 4-and-a-half-year-old spent the better part of Saturday morning running around East Park's interactive water fountain feature to cool off during the trout tournament festivities also in the park this weekend.

JUN

SPORTS reviewing the action

PRER SOCCER

Rayders notch second straight district title, begin regional championship defense Tuesday

HARBOR SPRINGS — A historic day and another trip to the regionals for the Charlevoix High School girls' soccer team.

Olivia Catt and Meredith Rich scored two goals apiece Saturday as the Rayders rolled past Boyne City, 8-0, in a Division IV district championship match at Harbor Springs' Ottawa Stadium.

It was Charlevoix's second

straight district title and its third in five years. It marked the first time Charlevoix has won back-to-back district crowns in girls' soccer.

The Rayders, 16-3-2 and ranked fifth in the state coaches poll, will play Lake Michigan Conference rival Traverse City Liberty, 15-4-1, in a regional semifinal game on Tuesday, June 2. The game is scheduled for Holton High School, but

may be moved to a neutral site closer to Charlevoix and Traverse City.

The Rayders, who are the defending regional champions, defeated the Liberty twice in the regular season, 3-0 and 2-1.

"It makes me a little nervous," Charlevoix coach Carol Madison said. "It's hard to beat a good team

three times (in a season) and they're good. It's just going to be a matter of who shows up and if we can put the ball in the net."

Muskegon Western Michigan Christian and Kent City Algoma Christian meet in the other regional semifinal. The championship is slated for 6 p.m. Friday, June 5, at Holton.

Bobbie Molter, Caroline Dupuis, Madison Way and KC McCary also scored for the Rayders on Friday, while Bridget Peters and McCary had two assists apiece, and Catt and Molter had one each.

Tammy Potter posted the shutout in goal, while Marie Greene and Taylor Smith played well, said Madison,

who also lauded the sportsmanship of the Ramblers, who finished 5-15.

"(Coach) Mike McShane had his team all lined up, clapping for us when we received our medals," Madison said. "It was really a class act. They showed some great sportsmanship. I think they should commended for that."

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Raised in Charlevoix, Olson has grown up helping her Hometown of Charlevoix. She actively heads up the Annual Taste of Charlevoix volunteers and will be found Saturday, June 20 at the 6th Annual Taste in East Park. Like many of the Bank's employees, Olson gives time to many of Charlevoix's non-profits including Charlevoix Kiwanis, celebrating 55 years of helping children and the Charlevoix Yacht Club.

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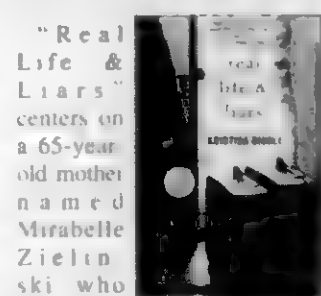
BENJAMIN GONS
EDITOR

A writer has the freedom to set a novel anywhere in time and space, but she chose Charlevoix.

When author Kristina Riggle sat down to write her story of a dysfunctional family's reunion and their mother's terrible secret, she couldn't think of any place more beautiful to set the story.

"My grandmother grew up in Charlevoix and lives there still," said the granddaughter of Mary Helen Riggle. "I have visited there many, many times and I just love this town."

She added, "I really could have put it anywhere, but I thought, if I'm going to spend this much time thinking of a place to write this book, I might as well pick someplace beautiful."



"Real Life & Liars" centers on a 65-year-old mother named Mirabelle Zelin who has three grown children on their way home for their parents' wedding anniversary.

Riggle finished her first novel after getting out of the journalism business. "I've been interested in writing for as long as I can remember," she said. "What got me seriously writing novels was getting burned out as a newspaper reporter and having my first

child." Riggle added, "I wanted to slow down from life as a daily reporter and yet I didn't want to devote my entire existence to the home, so I continued freelancing for my old paper and in between assignments I began writing seriously — that was six years ago."

Riggle, a freelance journalist and mother of two resides in southern Michigan near Grand Rapids.

The official release date of "Real Life & Liars" was June 16.

Riggle will be in Charlevoix to sign books at noon on July 31 at Round Lake Bookstore. "Real Life & Liars" is available at bookstores everywhere. Riggle blogs every Monday at www.thedebutanteshall.com.



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Pool auction kick-off

40 people attended the Charlevoix Area Community pool auction volunteer kick-off meeting and ice cream social. This year's auction will be held on Sunday Aug. 9 at Castle Farms. For volunteer opportunities and auction information, please contact the auction director Cissy Walker at 547-1222.

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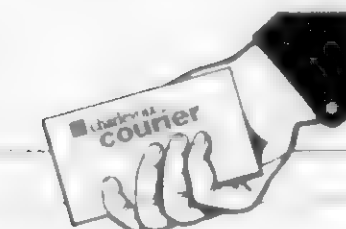
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UNIT 4, SUMMERHILL, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 405, PAGES 371 THROUGH 439, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CONDOMINIUM PLAN NO. 116, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978 AS AMENDED. 15 007 570 004 00

This sale is for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the mortgage, with interest at the rate of 5.25% per year, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including the attorney fees allowed by law and in the mortgage, and any sums that may be paid by the mortgagee subsequent to the date of this notice to protect its interests in the premises.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from date of sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with Michigan Compiled Laws 600.3241a. If determined to be abandoned pursuant to this law, the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale or 15 days from the date the required notice of abandonment is posted and mailed, whichever is later.

Dated: May 1, 2009

First Community Bank
Mortgage

200 E. Main Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Joe D. Wurster (P48708)
Attorney for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 2450, Petoskey, MI 49770
(231) 347-4988
(L-5/20/5/27/6/03/6/10/6/17/24)

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Don & Therese Skinkle, 744 Division
Street, East Jordan, Michigan 49727.

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand fifty-one and 42/100 dollars (\$125,051.42) including interest at 7.0% per annum. Under the Power of Sale contained in said Mortgage and the Statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the Mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County court house in Charlevoix Michigan at 11:00 a.m. on June 26, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, Block 8, Nicholls's First Addition to the Village of South Lake (now City of East Jordan).

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Dated: June 3, 2009

For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
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48334-2525
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 10 of William H. White and Company's Addition, being a part of Lot 35 of Beardsley's Second Addition to Boyne City, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 10, 2009.

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5790 for more information.

Book sale

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays in June and September through December at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in July and August. A DVD and book on Earl Young are also available. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurst St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

- Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Book sale

In preparation for its 10th annual book sale on Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library are accepting gently used books for resale. Donations can be dropped off daily in the Mason Street lobby of the library. Please do not leave books without covers, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Proceeds from this sale go to the children's department of the library.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society

business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

- Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
- Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

NOW THROUGH MAY 31

Reduce, Recycle, Reuse It

At Circle of the arts Art objects formed from recycled materials, emphasis on living lightly on our earth. Dedicated to the philanthropic spirit of Barbara MacArthur.

Ongoing

Odmark dedication singer search

The Odmark Pavilion Committee is looking for former students and friends of Clarence Odmark's to sing in a Community Chorus for the dedication of the Odmark Pavilion on July 7. Odmark is remembered for his outstanding instrumental music program at Charlevoix Public Schools but he also directed Charlevoix High School's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus, as well as the choir at the First Congregational Church for many years. Rehearsals are in the Charlevoix Middle School band room. Call Ev Wujcik at 547-6376, Steve Kroll at 547-2074 or Leslie Cunningham at 547-2145 for more information.

Currently

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natu-

ral plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Berwick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

NOW THROUGH JUNE

Artist reception and show from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 2217 US 31 South.

JUNE 17 AND 24

History of jazz

In conjunction with Jazz at the library program at Charlevoix library, there will be a series of lectures on the history of jazz. Programs are 6:30 p.m., June 17 and 24 in the community room. Registration is required to this free event. Call 237-7340 or visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org for more information.

JUNE 11

Transplant support

The Organ Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet at 6 p.m., June 11, at the Professional Building located at 829 North Osage Ave. Call (989) 983-4188 or e-mail bevo@core.com for more information.

JUNE 12

T-ball registration deadline extended

The Charlevoix Recreation Department will offer a summer T-ball league for boys and girls ages 5 to 7.

Forms are available at the recreation department office in the basement of City Hall at 210 State St.

Forms are due by Friday, June 12, and your child must have been 5 years old by June 1 to play.

The season will run from June 15 through Aug. 5 and games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays starting June 29.

The fee is \$15.

For more information or to volunteer for coaching, call the Boss at 547-3253.

JUNE 16 AND 17

Buddogbaseball tryouts

Tryouts are 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on June 16 and 17, at Boyne Falls High School.

NOW THROUGH 19

From 9 a.m. to noon, June 15 through 19, there will be a Vacation Bible School, theme of "God's Big Backyard" at St. Mary Church/School. Call 547-9441. Cost is \$20.

JUNE 16

4 Threat Cancer

Registration for the fifth anniversary bicycle ride is 7 a.m., June 16 in Boyne City at Veterans Park, with races to begin from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

JUNE 17

Hestia award ceremony

On June 17 the Hestia Women's Giving Circle will host their third annual meeting and membership reception at a private residence. Call (231) 526-2326 or 526-8402 by June 11 to RSVP.

The Charlevoix Chapter of Michigan Retired School Personnel will meet at 6 p.m. at Greensky Hill on Wednesday June 17 for their monthly meeting and a spaghetti supper. Call 547-5009 for additional information.

Norwood Historical Society
AT 7:30 p.m., June 17 at the Norwood Area Historical Society, Dr. Mark Holley from Northwestern Michigan College will present "What's on the Bottom of Grand Traverse Bay?" It is a review of the results of an underwater archaeological project to find and inventory historic features on the Traverse Bay bottomlands. Meet at the Norwood schoolhouse.

JUNE 19, 20 AND 21

Corn's southern

Don't miss the girls' fastpitch invitational at the ball fields off Carpenter Street in Charlevoix June 19 through 21.

Call the Charlevoix Recreation Department for more information at 547-3253.

JUNE 18

Regional Business After Hours

From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, June 18 at Castle Farms located at 5052 M-66 North in Charlevoix, there will be a regional Business After Hours featuring chamber members from Boyne City, East Jordan, Charlevoix, Petoskey and Harbor Springs.

Admission is \$5 for members of any participating Chamber, or \$10 for non-members.

Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar are available.

Char-Em celebration

Char-Em United Way has announced a successful 2008-2009 Campaign, with \$324,793 donated and/or pledged. This amount includes \$306,393 from local businesses, employees, and individuals, and an \$18,400 challenge grant pledged by the Frey Foundation. The total is \$3,000 or 1 percent more than

the amount of funds raised the previous year and an all-time record. They reached 92 percent of their increased campaign goal and raised more money than last year.

The success of the United Way campaign will be celebrated at a breakfast event at 8 a.m., June 18 at the Ozone in the Odawa Casino Resort.

At the Celebration Breakfast, United Way officials will present awards to volunteers and donors and distribute community investments to 2009 partner agencies.

For more information, contact United Way at (231) 487-1006 or info@charcommunityway.org.

JUNE 19

Hospice of Northwest Michigan invites you to its annual Benefit Auction at 5:30 p.m. June 19 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. Ticket prices are \$40 and include door prizes, hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, complimentary beverages, cash bar, live and silent auctions. Tickets are available at Boyne City Ace Hardware, call the Hospice Office at 547-7448 or purchase online at <http://www.hospiceofnwmi.org>. "make a donation" and specify "tickets".

JUNE 19, 20 AND 21

The Ellsworth Pig Roast, June 19, 20 and 21, features five pigs to be roasted and dinner is planned as usual on the Elementary School house grounds, directly after the parade, which begins at 11 a.m. with the Mackinaw Trolley.

Trolley rides will take place during the pig roast dinner and until 2 p.m. at half-hour intervals, beginning in front of the elementary school.

The ride is sponsored by the Banks Township Historical Society, with plans to meander through the village on a new route.

Historical sites as pointed out, and stories down memory lane are encouraged.

At 2 p.m., the annual horse pull team begins on the school grounds.

From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday June 19 the Historical Society in the centennial Bank building next to town hall will be open. During which there will be an ice-cream social in the town hall.

At 6 p.m., Sunday June 21,

there will be a church worship including the Red Umbrella Band at the recently developed River Park pavilion, south of the Farmers Exchange co-ops below the Wooden Shoe Campground.

you will bring so we have a balanced menu.

Bring your own place setting, beverages of choice, lawn chairs, board games, cards, etc. R.S.V.P. is required, so call Frieda at 347-3438 days or 347-5747 evenings or e-mail fneda@compnec.com.

Community bike swap

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Call 237-7350 to register and for more information.

JUNE 26

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JUNE 27, 28

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Art demonstration

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Get Symphony tickets now

Meet your tickets to the Symphony on the Green in support of Charlevoix Area Hospital's health education and outreach programs.

Tickets are \$125 each and include dinner, music, dancing, cocktails and more.

The event is July 10 at the Pelican Airways hangar on US 31 South.

This year's theme is "Swing: Get Down and Boogie-Woogie."

Call 547-8501 for more information.

The hospital is also offering swing dance lessons on June 21. Call for more information.

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CHARLEVOIX COURIER 27

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Benefit breakfast

Habitat for Humanity benefit breakfast is from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 20 at Faulman Hall of the Presbyterian Church, 421 S. Park St., Boyne City.

Rummage/Treasure Sale

The Charlevoix Venture Crew 11 is holding a "Rummage/Treasure Sale" from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 20, at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St. located one mile north of the bridge.

Items include antiques, tools, books, small and large furniture, sporting goods, sewing machines, electric scooter, golf clubs, basketball hoop, inline skates, pictures, dishes, glassware and more.

Charlevoix Venture Crew is a co-ed, youth run program for youth ages 14 to 20 seeking positive experiences through high adventure activities and outings.

Proceeds will help fund a scuba trip to the Florida Keys.

Cookies, beverages and a baked potato bar will be offered.

Book signing

Michigan Author Jerry Newland will sign copies of his book "The Military Is a Like a Cold Shower" from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Round Lake Bookstore.

"Singles for Christ"

Invites all singles 40 & over to join us for our annual picnic potluck at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 20 at Petoskey Park Pavilion, behind City offices at 101 E. Lake St.

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The power of prayer, cleaning and writing

The last two weeks of life have taken me on an unexpected journey. Experiencing one grandchild in the hospital was sad but when the other one entered 24 hours later my stress level reached its peak, or so I thought.



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Dad soon followed the trend and I was beginning to wonder if my future in medicine might still take hold. Once needles and blood draws entered the picture I quickly thought otherwise. The following few days I was hoping no one would ask, "How are you?" in the general greeting.

Because I wasn't sure how to answer, I wanted to turn my phone off because getting bad news was starting to make my teeth crack. I did leave the phone on and family and friends would call to ask the real question: "How are you?"—we'd talk.

My life is slowly turning back to the daily routine. I know this because sleeping and eating are occurring on a regular basis.

I've stopped my incessant desire to clean and sort while stressed. I feel certain the emergency room floor and counters were spotless by my third day in.

Life is precious, it's good to find your support systems, use them and know that angels do exist both human and spiritual.

I am thankful they were there when I asked for them.

Now while visiting dad in his new digs at the nursing facility I am on my hands and knees swerving my head to and fro

scanning the floor like a metal detector at work.

"No," I tell the cheerful young woman in the brightly colored shirt. I am OK. I am just looking for the remote control to the TV.

I took this same position looking on the floor for a pacifier gone astray when caring for twin grandsons just an hour ago.

Next stop, a quick trip to the store—Depends for dad, Pampers for twins.

Blood sugar tests strips for dad's high sugar and test strip's for the twins' low blood sugar.

Not alone is this role as a witness fellow friends doing the same with their parents, in-laws, children or close friends.

We all have some type of situation we are faced with and I've learned to take not a day at a time but one hour at a time.

With each new list I need to make, it feels good to just cross off one or two things.

I take five minutes a day to sit and do nothing and relish every moment of it.

Friends and family are good support when you need a shoulder to cry on or extra hand to help you finish a task.

It's hard for caregivers to ask for help and I am a slow learner in this department.

Friends supporting friends whether it is a kind word, gesture, a listening ear are helpful and it provides a caregiver with the support they need.

Once my own family situation started to settle I took notice of others around me who are dealing with pancreatic cancer, strokes, and multiple sclerosis.

Many of us are at a point in our lives where illness and disease affect our loved ones and though we may feel we are the only ones in this situation we are not.

When stressed out I am reminded that there is a plan not defined by me and I need to let things go.

I never had control of them anyway and I certainly don't now.

If I feel the need to be in

WEEKLY POLL

Should the judge have recused himself from the Easley whistleblower case?

Yes (30 Votes, 81%)
No (7 Votes, 19%)

This week's poll question:
Should the state increase the gas tax to give road commissions more operating funds?

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charge or fix things I can weed the garden.

So, if you are currently in situation creating sleepless nights be assured there is help if you ask for it.

If your life is set on smooth sailing, then be aware of someone's whose life isn't and try to help out.

Someone had wondered how to keep going when life gets tough.

For me it's prayer, cleaning and

writing. When the grandkids are grown and dad has passed, I'll have memories to hold because our lives move too fast.

They are not in the way, I can clean their feet and I'll wash their hair and cut their meat.

So I will continue to calm their fears and keep a Kleenex on hand to wipe their tears.

When they are gone I won't run free, when they are no longer here, I'll cry for me.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Beaver Island: Michigan's pure eco-tourism destination

With the upcoming electric car show (see page 3) and first-ever full marathon later this fall, we thought it would be a good time to learn a little more about Beaver Island.



Steve West

Following is a guest editorial by Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve West.

While on Beaver Island, the most remote inhabited island in the Great Lakes, visitors can expect to discover a wealth of natural resources including nature preserves and state land available

of walking and exploring.

Approximately 35 percent of the Island, located about 30 miles north of Charlevoix in Northern Lake Michigan, is state forest land.

Most people come to Beaver Island for its abundant nature and solitude and much of what the island offers is free.

With over 100 miles of scenic roads, old two-track trails and beaches, it is ideal for hiking, biking, cross country skiing and snowshoeing.

Pristine woods welcome nature lovers for bird watching and photography, as well as sportsmen looking for hunting and fishing opportunities.

Among the extensive natural activities on Beaver Island, one can find:

• Beaver Island Ecotour: Of

fering a wide variety of tours for outdoor enthusiasts, such as driving and walking tours, inland lake tours, biking tours and hiking and camping trips. Visit sandy beaches, bogs and inland lakes, marshes, cedar swamps and hardwood forests in search of loons, osprey, turtles, salamanders, deer and a variety of flora and fauna for family enjoyment.

• Boat Charters: Explore the outer islands of the archipelago such as High Island, Hog Island and Squaw Island, on half-day or full-day excursions ideal for singles, couples, families and groups. Learn the history of the island lighthouses and former residents as you play a modern day explorer in Northern Lake Michigan.

• Diving: The water surrounding the island contains ship-

wrecks and other underwater scenery just waiting to be explored. Sign up for scuba instruction, snorkeling, diving classes, cruises or out-island adventures.

• Kayaking: Paddle the clear-blue waters of the Beaver Island archipelago where a variety of outdoor experiences are offered for all ages, including sea kayak trips in the St. James Harbor and on Lake Michigan or naturalist-led kayak eco-tours on the inland lakes. Be on the lookout for loons, eagles, osprey and beaver lodges during the morning or afternoon excursions or take part in a full-moon paddle and learn lunar lore while listening to the nighttime sounds of northern Michigan.

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wrecks and other underwater scenery just waiting to be explored. Sign up for scuba instruction, snorkeling, diving classes, cruises or out-island adventures.

Visitors will find two established campgrounds on Beaver Island, both owned and operated by the Island Townships and open from April 1 to the end of November.

There are no reservations required at either campground and primitive sites are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Both campgrounds provide pit toilets and hand pumps, there are no showers at either facility.

Beaver Island is also home to the Central Michigan University biological field station which offers academic classes in biology, other sciences and the arts. Faculty and students utilize the

woods and waters surround the Beaver Archipelago as their outdoor classroom for field trips and lectures.

After a day or more of exploring the rustic nooks and crannies of Beaver Island, visitors can find luxurious packages at the local spa and a variety of dining options can be found on the island.

Whether you fly or boat to Beaver Island, getting there is easy with both ferry and flight service from Charlevoix.

Those searching for a truly removed up-north destination will find it on Beaver Island, one of the purest four-season vacation destinations in Michigan.

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LETTERS to the editor

Attend to be informed

Editor:

As president of the Charlevoix Education Association, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many family, friends, supporters and others that attended the Monday, June 8 school board meeting.

Not only were interested parents and neighbors from Charlevoix in attendance but a very special thank you must be extended to our supporters from East Jordan, Boyne City, Petoskey, Boyne Falls, Cheboygan and Harbor Springs.

Those are the schools I know of that were represented, there could be others.

Please know how much your attendance and comments meant to us.

The issues on the agenda are important to the operation of our school system.

Which "side you part your hair on" matters less than the fact that you want to be informed.

You want questions answered and solutions found.

Each time you attend a school board meeting you show your child how important education and the system that delivers it is. You exercise civic responsibility.

Please continue to attend school board meetings, asking questions and support-

ing your local school system.

The next meeting is at 7 p.m. on July 13. See you there.

Stephanie Carey
President, Charlevoix Education Association.

Say no to boathouse

Editor:

The WATCH (Water and Air Team of Charlevoix) board of directors recommends that you have City Planner, Mike Spencer do a review of the permit application of James and Patricia Anderson for the building project proposed on Dixon Avenue and Round Lake.

We feel that this project

did not meet the zoning requirements that were in effect two years ago when this project was brought before the then City Planner, Gary Harsh. We feel Mr. Harsh relayed bad and faulty information to council on the Anderson project and if City Planner Mike Spencer should find that that the project did not meet the city zoning requirements, the permit the Andersons received from Mr. Harsh should be declared invalid and no construction allowed as proposed.

Jerry Puhl
WATCH Board of Directors

Poppy Sale a success

Editor:

A special Thank You to all who made this year's Poppy Sale a success. You raised almost \$1,500.

This money will be used for Veterans and their families. Once a year, the American Legion Auxiliary and the V.F.W. Auxiliary sell poppies for this purpose. Your generous donations are what make this possible.

Also a special thank you to those who so gave up their time to stand at our local stores to sell the poppies and to merchants who let us use their stores.

You are a big part of our success.

Once again, a very special thanks to the volunteers, the public for their donations and the merchants.

To those who helped make these occasions a success, I again "thank-you."

Birdie Whitley
American Legion President.

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Celebrate solstice with art

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now 11 years since the first ever Summer Solstice Art Show in Charlevoix, the event is bigger than ever.

Art of all kinds, from sculptures, photography and pottery to jewelry and paintings will be on display and for sale during this two-day event.

"We're happy to be returning to East Park," said Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Erib Bemis. "There seems to be a heavy focus on

photography this year, but some of our perennial favorite sculptors, painters and jewelers will also be there."

The event occurs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 27 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 28.

"I'm going to be selling two of my books along with selected prints of the Charlevoix area," said artist Mike Barton. "The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix is all about the Earl Young houses—you not only get to see the outside, but the inside of the houses, too."

Barton will also feature his

book "Charlevoix the Beautiful," a showcase of Charlevoix's signature sites.

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel said the Summer Solstice Art Show is just one of many great events in Charlevoix this summer.

"This is a great opportunity to showcase East Park and highlight the overall downtown area while featuring some great artists," he said.

Bemis added, "We have 48 vendors with some great pieces for sale."

For more information on this event, visit www.charlevoix.org.

Support the Circle

Meet featured artist Kevin Barton at the Water Wonderland Gala, the Charlevoix Circle of Arts' annual fundraiser and anniversary party.

Event is 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., June 26 at 109 Clinton St.

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Boogie-woogie for community health

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The sights and sounds of the World War II era are the setting for this year's Symphony on the Green.

The annual event to raise money for the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation will, this year, support community outreach programs on health education.

"This will be our 11th year," said Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation executive director Lyn Jenks. "It will be a night of good music,

good friends and a chance to support the hospital."

This year's event will be located in a hangar at Pelican Airways just south of Charlevoix on US 31 on the north side of the road.

Tickets cost \$15 each and include entertainment, dinner, cocktails and valet parking.

According to Charlevoix Area Hospital president Bill Jackson, more and more programs are needed in the community to combat activities that limit or shorten peoples' collective lives.

"This event used to be an actual symphony orchestra that presented a concert, but it morphed into more of a social gathering with some music and a presentation," Jenks said. "We've had them at private homes for a last few years, but this year at Pelican Airways should be unique with World War II-era vehicles and vintage planes."

David Chown and the Lookout Cats will provide music for the theme "Swing: Get Down and Boogie-Woogie."

A dance floor will be available for anyone interested in dancing.

While Jenks said funds raised vary from year to year, they generally fall between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

"This is one of only two special events held each year, so it's very important for us," she said. "And, this year we're going to support our healthy community outreach because we feel it is very important to keep people healthy and keep them out of the hospital."

Funds raised at the event will help with programs which teach children how to

stay fit and with the Hospital's new program Wellness Wednesdays which offers numerous health tests for \$12.

"We work with elementary schools to screen fifth graders for the presence of cardiovascular risk and cholesterol testing," Jenks said. "We really try to help the parents of any students to manage and mitigate those risks."

Jenks said anyone who loves good food, music and supporting a good cause will enjoy the event.

"There are fewer than 100 tickets left," she said.

To get your tickets to the July 10 event, call the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation at 547-8501.

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Anderson University is announcing that Charlevoix student, Nathan Kyle Turner, has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester of the 2008-2009 academic year.

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In celebration of 100 years

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Sherri Masson, Laska Croagh and Jenn Neetell discuss one of dozens of pictures from the early 1900s in the Charlevoix Public Library's celebration in photos of its 100th anniversary. The display will continue through July 13 during regular library hours.

What's happening at the Library this week?

Craft Idea & Demo Day

Wednesday, June 24, 11:00 - 1:00 pm

For the craft enthusiasts, we have a variety of crafts to make for fun and for sale - great for kids who are interested in the summer youth program.

History of Jazz Lectures

with Chris Allen, Radio 101.1 host

Wednesday, June 24, 6:30 PM

Learn about the history, culture, and chronology of jazz while looking at the various musical forms that grew out of the early 20th century.

Geocaching 101: All You Need to Know to Join the Hunt!

Thursday, June 25, 6:30 pm

MapQuest Maps will be on hand to take you step by step to your own treasure hunt and a fun family activity.

Annual Book Sale

Saturday 6-Sunday, June 27/28

• Free admission • All books, audiobooks, and proceeds used to buy books, programs and other materials in the youth department

Char-Em Scrapbookers

Saturday, June 27, 10:00 - 5:00

Come for all or part of this monthly scrapbooking session. Materials & speakers meet the last Saturday of each month.

Great Lakes for Sale

Monday, June 29, 6:30 pm

Dave Dempsey, senior policy advisor for the MI Environmental Control, will talk about the importance of the Great Lakes water system, economically, environmentally, and from a public health perspective.

French Conversation Circle

Tuesdays @ noon (June-July-August)

Everyone welcome to come and practice your French skills.

Summer Reading Kick-off

Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 pm

Come join the fun - there's something for everyone. Kindermusik sessions for birth to 5-year-olds and the Flying Aces Pre-Firstie Team meet at the library.

Spanish Conversation Circle

Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm

Join others for an hour of conversation in Spanish and catch back on Tuesday through the summer.

Book Safari

Where in the world does your book go? Send a picture of you, your book, and the location you go to HYPERLINK "mailto:larue@charlevoixlibrary.org"mailto:larue@charlevoixlibrary.org. Each week during the summer, submitted photos will be posted on the library website and in the Teen Lounge.

Historical Photo Exhibit

Through July 13th

Viewing the photos is a great opportunity to meet room layer and walk back in time to the early 1900s. The Friends of the Library historical photo exhibit of Charlevoix is quite spectacular.

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Cyclist makes wishes come true

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A local cyclist has been inspired ride hundreds of miles for charity by two people who benefited from the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

And, although Mary Siegwart said she has only begun biking regularly in the last couple years, she plans to finish the 300-mile Wish A Mile trip to help those who really need it.

"There are hundreds of children that have a wish out there between ages 2-and-a-half and 18," Siegwart said. "If you can imagine a child looking at therapy and shots and doctors and hospitals all the time and having a terminal illness all you do is look at doctors."

She added, "If they can go spend the day at Disney World

and not have to experience the pain and deal with the stress, then they will be able to relax and enjoy life for awhile."

Wish A Mile is a three-day bike tour from Traverse City to Chelsea.

While it costs \$8,000 to grant one wish, Siegwart only needs to raise \$750 to participate in the ride due to the number of riders.

"On this ride alone we want to grant 250 wishes," she said. "There will be 900 riders from all over the state."

According to Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan director of public relations Merideth Allard, the Michigan foundation was created in 1984 and has granted more than 5,600 wishes in its 25 years.

And, more than 400 wishes will be granted by the end of

this year. To prepare herself for the ride, Siegwart has been pedaling more and more miles each week.

"I try to put on as many miles a day—about 30 to 40 miles during the week and anywhere from 50 to 75 (miles) on the weekend," she said. "You need to make sure you eat right and carry a lot of water."

Riders will leave Traverse City on July 24 and end with festivities on July 26.

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Rev. Gerald G. Klooster: Feb. 12, 1957 - June 16, 2009

Rev. Gerald G. Klooster, 52, of Central Lake, died Tuesday, June 16, 2009 from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

He was born Feb. 12, 1957, in Charlevoix, the son of Henry E. "Bud" and Rosa V. (Ross) Klooster.

Rev. Gerald attended most of high school in Charlevoix.

His senior year he went to Central Lake High School, graduating in 1975.

He attended NCMC in Petoskey and obtained his associate degree in Applied Science.

He worked for Lamina Bronze as a Team Leader for

over 10 years and in corrections and marine patrol with the sheriff's office.

After several years he received his ministerial degree from S.M.T.I. in Midland.

He was the Pastor of Living Word North in Bellaire for the last five years.

Rev. Gerald spent many years and most of his time ministering to those in need. He went on several mission trips over seas and did some prison ministry too.

Rev. Gerald enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren.

He also enjoyed boating and restoring old John Deere lawn

tractors.

On April 22, 1978, in Eastport, he married Patti Watson who survives.

Also surviving are his children Bradly (Lynsey) Klooster of Charlevoix, Daron (Brittani) Klooster of Traverse City, and Maricia Klooster of Traverse City; grandchildren Blake and Braydon Klooster of Charlevoix and Dana and Kaden Klooster of Traverse City, his parents Bud and Rosa Klooster of Eastport, his sisters Linda (Everett) Ingalls of East Jordan and Shelly Dorland of Torch Lake Village, and several nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death

by his brothers Gary and Mike Klooster.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 20, 2009 at the Central Lake High School Gymnasium. Dr. Mark T. Barclay officiated.

Interment followed in South-east Cemetery, Central Lake Township.

Arrangements have been handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

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Ralph E. Teague: July 15, 1924 - June 15, 2009

Ralph E. Teague, 84, of Charlevoix, formerly of Davison, Mich. died Monday, June 15, 2009, at the Boulder Park Terrace Nursing Home in Charlevoix.

A memorial service will be 3 p.m., Sunday, June 28, at the Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend John David officiating.

Interment will take place in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Ralph was born July 15,

1924, in Davison, the son of Ralph Edgar and Jessie (Harrison) Teague.

He graduated from Davison High School in 1942, and served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, stationed in England.

On June 7, 1946, he married Norma Wolf in Saint John's Episcopal Church in Royal Oak.

They made their home in Royal Oak until retiring to Charlevoix in 1987.

Ralph was a member of the Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix, and the Charlevoix Rod & Gun Club.

He is survived by his wife, Norma of Charlevoix; daughters, Brenda Teague of Charlevoix, Laura Teague Ziffra (Mark) of Carpentersville, Ill.; sons, Scott Richard (Susan) Teague of Petoskey, Keith Sidney (Rachel) Teague of East Jordan; grandchildren, Matthew,

Heidi, Erin, and Jeffrey; great-grandchildren, Brooke, Lauren, Kate, and Megan; sisters, Carol Kumriffs of Florida, Marjorie Gauntlett of Saline. Ralph's sons, Ralph Edgar III, and Jeffrey Paul, and brother, Sidney preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to your charity of choice.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

Barbara MacArthur: Died Dec. 14, 2008

Barbara MacArthur, age 85, writer and peace activist, died at home on Dec. 14, 2008, of leukemia.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Bruce, and daughters, Laurie MacArthur, Karen Schilling, Marjorie Verge, Nancy Smith, and five grandchildren.

She served on the board of Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom, where she was editor of the Peace Digest, and was a charter member of the Grand Blanc Beautification League, Keep Charlevoix Beautiful and the Flint Environmental Action Team (F.E.A.T.).

She was also an active member of Flint Community Planned Parenthood, the Charlevoix Shade Tree Commission, Charlevoix Area Garden Club, Hilton Head for Peace, Women in Black and worked vigorously to establish a national Department of Peace.

In 2007, she was awarded the Michigan Garden Clubs' State Life Membership for her efforts "to educate club members and the public on conservation issues, such as global climate change, energy conservation and wind power," and in 2008, the Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom honored her for her "tireless work keeping issues of peace and justice before the public."

Her career included working for the Allied Military Permit Office in Stockholm, Sweden, and as a reporter for the Port Chester Daily Item, Cincinnati Enquirer and the Grand Blanc News until her retirement in 1979.

A memorial service is scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, July 3, 2009, at First Congregational Church in Charlevoix. Interment will take place after the service at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

The family is requesting that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Barbara

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Fixing a leak

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Crews from Tri-County Excavating dug up two portions of US31 near Garfield Street on Tuesday, June 23. The work was necessary to fix two leaky pipes which city officials said could have become major leaks if left in disrepair. The job is expected to cost \$23,300 and be completed within a day or so.

Road commission struggling

ROAD

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road wedge and overlay - \$166,234.24; Pincherry Road relocation temporary and funded by the construction company working on the project.

Marion — Wicks-sham wedge and overlay - \$121,817.50.

Melrose — Addis Road wedge and overlay - \$71,934.20; Clute Road wedge and overlay - \$53,364; River Road reconstruction - \$505,981.10; Shadow Trails wedge and overlay - \$37,900.

South Arm — Miles Road wedge and overlay - \$157,190.60.

Wilson — Jaquay Road reconstruction - \$304,168.25; Marshall Road aggregate placement - \$34,937.50.

The road commission also plans to perform crack filling projects in Bay, Boyne Valley, Evangeline, Eveline, Hudson, Marion, Melrose, Norwood, South Arm and Wilson townships for \$81,602.28.

The preceding dollar figures are the actual bid amounts.

The difference between the estimated and the actual bids shows a savings of \$778,441.33 which will go back to the respective townships from which the money came.

Now the road commission

must wait for monies from the 2008 Charlevoix County Road Millage before beginning the more than two dozen miles of road repair and reconstruction originally proposed.

"We're waiting on the county board to see if they OK loaning \$250,000 to get road projects started," Harmon said. "Then, that money would get paid back when the tax bills go out and they start getting payment."

Commissioners are expected to vote during their 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 24 meeting in council chambers at the county building.

See related story page 22

Boyne City gets "Main Street" accreditation

Boyne City Main Street has received the prestigious Master Level designation, the highest level a community can receive through the Michigan Main Street program.

The Michigan Main Street Center @ MSHDA is part of the Authority's efforts to create vibrant communities across the state.

This effort is based on numerous recent studies showing that investing in the downtowns creates vibrant centers where people want to live, work and invest, making the state economically stronger.

The underlying premise of the Main Street Center @ MSHDA is to encourage community economic development through organization, promotion, design and economic restructuring.

To achieve Master Level status a community must reach Main Street accreditation and must have successfully completed services provided to Selected Level Communities. To learn more about what is required of a Main Street Community, visit the MSDHA Web site http://www.michigan.gov/mshda/0,1607,7-141-45746_47326_---,00.html

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Stressing over the economy?

Economic turmoil can cause an array of negative health effects—both physical and mental.

Dealing with these troubles can add tremendous stress, which increases the risk for developing depression, substance abuse, anxiety or compulsive behaviors such as over-eating and excessive gambling or spending.

A recent poll conducted by the American Psychological Association found that almost half of all adults said they are increasingly stressed about their ability to provide for their family's basic needs.

It is important to be aware of signs that financial issues may be adversely affecting

your well-being. These signs can include persistent sadness, excessive anxiety, lack of sleep/constant fatigue, excessive irritability, anger, difficulty staying focused, and not being able to function well at work, school or home.

Coping techniques include:

- Recognizing the positive aspects in life can help retain hope for the future.
- Strengthening connections with family members and friends.
- Engaging in activities that relieve stress and anxiety.
- Developing new skills for employment.
- Taking charge of your environment.

Coping techniques may ease some stressful symptoms, but some problems can seem too overwhelming to handle, and that's when it is time to seek additional help to get through the tough times.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration has a resource to help individuals identify and cope with stressful situations stemming from the economy.

This may be viewed online at www.samhsa.gov/economy.

Persons wishing to know more about the agency are encouraged to visit www.norcohmh.org, or to access services call (800) 834-3393.

Grief support program set

Losing a spouse, parent or child due to death is sometimes more than we can bear. Also emotionally taxing is getting divorced, losing your job, moving, dealing with a chronic illness, or even losing a pet.

Loss of any kind is the focus of a series designed to help people cope.

A series of five weekly sessions for those coping with a loss will be held from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on consecutive Tuesdays from July 7 through Aug. 11th at Charlevoix Area

Hospital, 14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix. The Grief Support program is sponsored by Hospice of Northwest Michigan, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, Charlevoix Area Hospital and North Country Community Mental Health. The program is designed to help those grow through grief, and learn the five tasks of grief work.

The facilitator for this program is Dr. Andrew Sahara of North Country Community Mental Health. Anyone

is invited who has suffered a loss or who is helping a loved one deal with a loss and who would benefit from the support of others.

We would appreciate any one interested in attending these classes to pre-register by calling the hospice office at 547-7448. After the first session the classes will be closed. There is no charge for this program.

For further information, you may call 547-7448, Mondays through Wednesdays, or e-mail info@hospiceenwm.org.



FILE PHOTO

The marathon, half marathon, five kilometer and 10 kilometer Run Charlevoix event begins with a 5 a.m. registration on June 27 in East Park. Runners will begin and end their race near the bridge in downtown Charlevoix.

Third Annual Run Charlevoix

RACERS

Continued from page 1 events," he said. "But, we're going to be up probably more than 300 from last year, and when you figure that most of these people bring their families along with them ... it's good for tourism in northern Michigan."

While Run Charlevoix is a for-profit venture, Suffolk said some of the proceeds will go to help the animal shelters throughout Michigan.

"We have hired the Elks Club, scouts and the boys' and girls' track team," he said. "It's a way for them to help us and raise money for their programs."

Suffolk will also organize a marathon this fall on Beaver Island in addition to his Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot in Ann Arbor.

Suffolk said his runners always

enjoy coming to northern Michigan for the race.

"The comments we get from people is that they're just so happy coming in from 33 different

states and so impressed with the people in Charlevoix," he said. "Michigan certainly needs the people coming in and spending money at this time."

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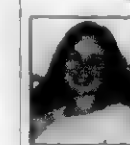


Are Two Better than One?

Most people with age-related hearing loss in both ears opt for "binaural" hearing instruments. This term refers to wearing a hearing instrument in each ear. Of course, this makes good sense because hearing well in both ears affords the most natural hearing situation. With good hearing in only one ear, the listener is subject to potential problems that may compromise safety and quality of life. For instance, binaural hearing minimizes the impact of

"head shadow" in which poor positioning blocks the ability of a person with one hearing ear to detect sound. Having good hearing in both ears also helps the listener locate sound, which can be a lifesaver in an emergency situation.

PS. Studies show that hearing in ears that don't have needed amplification with a hearing instrument slowly lose their ability to hear due to lack of stimulation.



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The following teachers achieved 200 hours training and nationally approved UNION/YOGA certification to teach yoga: Winter Kyvik and Dorothy Sirrine, of Traverse City; Kerry Satterwhite of Leland; Stephanie Shepard of Lake Ann; Lacey Chaput of Williamsburg; Reb Andrews of Boyne City, and Jo Spica of St. Joseph.

Certification included intensive studies in yoga history and philosophy, literature, anatomy and physiology, Sanskrit, breath, postural alignment and adjustment. They will offer classes geared to kids through seniors in the greater Grand Traverse regions, and in St. Joseph. Pictured are (front, from left) Stephanie Shepard; Sandra Carden, director UNION/YOGA; Reb Andrews; Jo Spica and (back, from left) Lacey Chaput, Dorothy Sirrine, Winter Kyvik and Kerry Satterwhite.

COURTESY PHOTO

Jordan Valley photo contest

With hundreds of acres of rolling hills, cool forests and miles of clear clean river and streams, the Jordan Valley is a natural treasure.

To promote the value of this pristine area the Friends of the Jordan is sponsoring its fifth annual photography contest with the theme "The Jordan, Naturally!"

All photographers amateur, professional, young and old, locals and seasonal visitors are encouraged to enter.

Pictures of activities, scenery, flowers, animals and the changing seasons of the Jordan are all eligible and images from all seasons are encouraged. The only requirement is that the pictures are taken in the Jordan River watershed area.

Refer to the FOJ Web site at www.friendsofthejordan.org for a map of the watershed.

There will be at least 12 prizes awarded including a Youth Award for a person under age 18.

Monetary awards have exceeded \$1,200 in each the

last three years thanks to the generous support of our sponsors.

The winning photographs will be published in the 2010 calendar.

An exhibit of all entries and an awards ceremony will be the centerpiece of A Celebration of the Natural Wonders of the Jordan River Watershed, an annual community event planned for Saturday Sept. 19.

Photo entries must be un-matted 8"x10" prints.

A \$5 entry fee must be submitted with each photo however, to encourage more youth participation; students under 18 may enter 2 photographs for free. Entries must be received by Aug. 3.

Entry forms for the contest are available on the FOJ Web site www.friendsofthejordan.org, or can be obtained from Jordan River Animal Clinic or by calling (231) 536-9947. Questions are also answered on the Web site or can be addressed to mmoran@friendsofthejordan.org.



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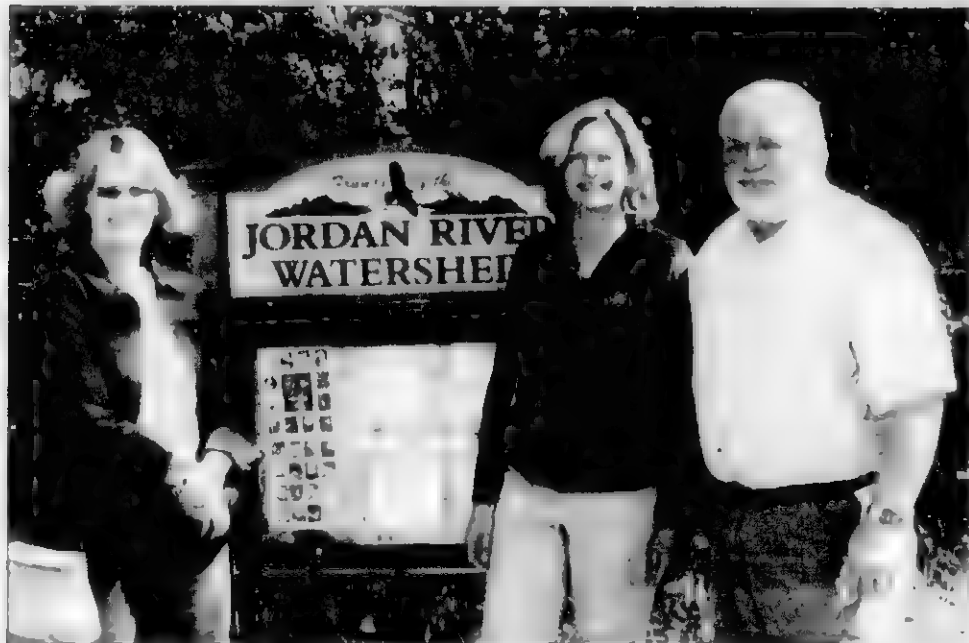
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"Young Friends" Summer Nature Program



Margaret Moran of the Friends of the Jordan introduces Maureen Radke of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation to John Thompson, the instructor for the new Friends of the Jordan "Young Friends" summer nature program.

Does your youngster enjoy looking under rocks for bugs and tromping through the woods? Is she a budding scientist, nature nut or conservationist?

Does he just spend too much time in front of the tube and needs to get some fresh air and have fun with friends? If so then he or she is just the kid that the Young Friends Summer Nature program was designed to target.

The Friends of the Jordan, through a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, is sponsoring a six-session program which will meet Tuesday and Friday mornings during July at the Jordan River Watershed Center.

The Young Friends will explore the Jordan River, nearby nature trails and visit the Jordan River Fish Hatch-

ery under the guidance of an experienced science teacher, John Thompson of East Jordan.

Designed for students in grades four through eight, the activities are hands-on, experiential and fun.

There is a small fee for the program but scholarship mon-

ey is available for interested families who request it.

Information on the program and registration forms are available on the Web site www.friendsofthejordan.org or by calling (231) 631-8856.

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Type 0 blood badly needed

The need around the globe for a strong and stable blood supply will be observed June 14 through World Blood Donor Day.

"Blood availability is a universal issue," said Sharon L. Jaksa, CEO of the Great Lakes Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "World Blood Donor Day gives us the opportunity to honor those who donate blood within our communities, and to encourage others to give the gift of life - especially during the summer."

While all blood types are needed during the critical summer months, there is a pressing need for Type O-negative blood. With less than a day supply of Type O-negative blood, the local American Red Cross urges eligible Type O-negative donors to donate. All donors are encouraged to make and keep their blood donation appointment.

According to the World Health Organization, more than 80 million units of blood are donated every year worldwide. Despite those donations, the majority of the world's population does not have access to a safe and adequate blood supply. Just 38 percent of the world's blood supply is collected in developing countries where 82 percent of the global population lives.

"Chances are someone close by needs blood to help save their life," said Jaksa. "In fact, every two seconds, someone in America needs blood."

The first World Blood Donor

Day was held June 14, 1995. Each year, the number of participating countries increases, with activities now being held in the majority of nations around the world.

In 2009, organizers of World Blood Donor Day will focus on improving the safety and sufficiency of blood supplies through achieving 100 percent voluntary donation of blood. In 2006, 54 countries achieved 100 percent voluntary donations, up from 39 in 2002.

For a list of blood drives in your area, visit www.redcross-michigan.org.

How to Donate Blood
To schedule an appointment to donate please call (800) GIVE-LIFE or (800) 448-3543 or visit redcrossmichigan.org for more information. If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification.

About the American Red Cross

The Great Lakes Region serves 65 counties, and needs to collect about 700 units of blood a day to meet patient needs in about 70 hospitals in the region. In addition to providing blood to our community, the American Red Cross also provides relief to victims of disaster, trains millions in lifesaving skills, serves as a communication link between U.S. military members and their families, and assists victims of international disasters or conflicts.

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Community foundation awards \$390,772

Recent grants from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation are helping support a variety of worthy projects in the area—from Phragmites eradication on Lake Charlevoix and renovations at a community food pantry, to teen substance abuse prevention projects and school supplies for Head Start preschoolers.

The new awards bring the community foundation's grant making total to almost \$10 million in its 17-year history.

Programs chosen for foundation support and the amounts of include:

- From the Adams Fund \$185 to the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association to support cultural arts opportunities

- \$851 to Conservation Resource Alliance to replace a road/stream crossing on Iron Ore Creek

- \$185 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- From the Beaver Island Enrichment Fund

- \$315 to the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association to support cultural arts opportunities

- \$1,449 to Conservation Resource Alliance to replace a road/stream crossing on Iron Ore Creek

- \$315 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- \$100 to Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan for transportation costs to deliver a sexual assault prevention program

- From the Boyne City Enrichment Fund

- \$1,325 to Boyne Valley Lions Club for renovations at the Community Food Pantry

- From the Canine Project Fund

- \$11,000 to purchase a K-9 unit dog and for officer training

- From the Charlevoix County Community Fund

- \$2,000 to Boyne Valley Lions Club for renovations at the Community Food Pantry

- \$1,500 to MSU Extension, Charlevoix County to expand the senior project fresh program

- \$4,000 to MSU Extension Charlevoix County to provide scholarships for low income students to participate in 4-H programs

- \$1,000 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- \$3,000 to Women's Resource Center of N MI for play groups in Boyne City

- From the East Jordan Enrichment Fund

- \$5,000 to the City of East Jordan for the Tourist Park proposed playground structure
- \$850 to East Jordan Co-Op Nursery School to purchase equipment for the preschool program

- \$3,000 to Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity to build a residence in East Jordan

- \$500 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- \$250 to Rotary Club of East Jordan to support the scholarship program

- \$3,000 to Women's Resource Center of N MI for play groups in East Jordan

- From the Ronald W. Haggard Memorial Scholarship Fund

- \$350 to Charlevoix Public Schools for student scholarships to assist with team expenses

- \$350 to Michigan Dyslexia Institute student scholarships for individual instruction

- From the Industrial Magnetics, Inc Fund

- \$65 for Boyne City Public Schools students health care needs

- From the Lake Charlevoix Watershed Fund

- \$5,000 to Conservation Resource Alliance for engineering costs on the Springbrook Road/Boyer River crossing

- \$5,385 to Lake Charlevoix Association for the Lake Charlevoix phragmites eradication program

- From the Phyllis Malpass Medical Needs Fund

- \$242 for East Jordan Public Schools student health care needs

- From the Father Bill McKeon Memorial Fund

- \$1,000 to B.A.S.E.S. Teen Center to purchase resource materials for the Recovery High program

- \$4,000 to Harbor Hall to support SAFE in NM teenage substance abuse prevention projects

- From the SOAR Fund

- \$1,000 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- From the Stowe Family Fund

- \$1,000 to Northern Michigan Regional Hospital Foundation to purchase smart intra-venous pumps

- From the Tunison-Garlock Memorial Fund

- \$500 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- From the Youth Fund

- \$1,000 to B.A.S.E.S. Teen Center to purchase resource materials for the Recovery High program

- \$800 to Challenge Moun-

tain of Walloon Hills, Inc to support the summer day camp program, and for scholarships for special needs students to attend Spint Day Camp

- \$1,000 to Christ Child Society of Northern Michigan to provide school backpacks and supplies for children in the Head Start program

- \$500 to Harbor Hall to support SAFE in NM teenage substance abuse prevention projects

- \$1,000 to MSU Extension,

Charlevoix County to provide scholarships for low income students to participate in 4-H programs

- \$500 to Raven Hill Discovery Center for the Museum To Go K-5 science program

- From Donor Advised Funds

- \$324,591 to a host of non-profit organizations and charitable initiatives, in accordance with the wishes of those who established a donor advised fund and help direct their own

grant making.

A charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life in the area, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation accepts gifts from individuals, families, businesses, and organizations and manages them as permanent endowments. Every year, a portion of the endowment's investment income is used to support programs in education, the environment, the arts, human services,

health and wellness, youth activities, community development, and various civic projects.

The Community Foundation will review grant requests again this fall.

The deadline for applications is Oct. 1

For more information about grant opportunities, or the Community Foundation, call (231) 536-2440, or visit the foundation's Web site www.c3f.org.

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Paver brick fundraiser to help fund school

Northwest Academy kicked-off its paver brick fundraiser with proceeds going to help fund school projects and needed equipment like an LCD projector, smart boards and educational field trips.

A minimum donation of \$100 will get your name engraved on one of hundreds of paver bricks which will cre-

ate the new entrance to the school.

The fundraiser goal is \$30,000.

Checks can be mailed to Northwest Academy, 115 West Huribut, Charlevoix, MI, 49720 or call Gary Stutzman at (231) 675-4800.

Visit them on the Web at www.nwa.edu.

Starting a new business?

Advertise in our business directory! It's an inexpensive way to advertise your business.

Slam dunk

Ivy Wells (far left) cheers as her friend Tracie Smith was dropped into the dunk tank by the swift aim of a patron of the booth run by the Charlevoix Stingray Swim team which operates out of the Charlevoix Area Community Pool during Taste of Charlevoix.

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Charlevoix Area Hospital Wants YOU!



To join us for Symphony on the Green presents:
An Evening of Get Down, Swing & Boogie-Woogie Music

with David Chown & the Lookout Cats

Friday, July 10, 2009

at Pelican Airways Hanger, US-31 S. Charlevoix
\$125/person (\$85 tax-deductible)

★ 6pm - Cocktails & Heavy Hors d'Oeuvres while you view vintage cars & aircraft

★ 7pm - Music of the WWII Era - Dance if you like!

★ 8pm - Dessert & Champagne

Call 547-8501 for reservations.

Declare Your Financial Independence Day

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor



As a nation, we celebrate Independence Day next week with fireworks, picnics and parades. And as citizens, it's good to reflect on the many freedoms we enjoy in this country. But as individuals, we define freedom in many different ways — and one of the most important of these could be financial freedom. That's why you may want to take the steps necessary to eventually declare your own Financial Independence Day.

For example, consider the following:

• Pay yourself first. In difficult economic times, it can be hard to set aside money for your future. But if you can afford it, try "paying yourself first" by having some money moved automatically each month from your checking or savings account to an investment. If you never actually "see"

the money, you probably won't miss it, and over time, you may be pleased by the growth in your investment. As your salary goes up, consider increasing the amount you automatically invest.

• Invest for growth. Given the most recent recession, it's understandable that many people would shy away from investments whose principal may fluctuate. It's understandable but not necessarily wise — because historically these investments can possibly offer more potential for growth when a recession ends. And you'll likely need this growth if you're going to become financially independent. Although past performance is not an indication of future results, by holding these investments for the long term, you may be able to lower the risk involved, because over time, quality investments tend to overcome "down" periods and trend upward. You can also help control risk by including some fixed-income vehicles, such as bonds and certificates of deposit, in your portfolio.

• Reduce your debts. Debt may be your biggest obstacle to financial independence.

It may take a fair amount of time to get rid of your debts, but consider your current situation and the options available to you, which might include evaluating your largest debts, paying down high-rate credit cards and avoiding new loans whenever possible. For example, mortgage rates are low compared to historical measures, so you might consider refinancing your existing mortgage to lower your monthly payment. This would give you additional cash flow that you could use to pay off credit card debt.

• Help protect your income. If you were to become ill or injured, and could not work for an extended time period, you might jeopardize your family's well-being and your prospects for financial independence. That's why you may want to consider purchasing a disability insurance policy. If you work for a large company, your employer may offer this coverage, but it might not be sufficient, so you may need to add some private coverage. And if you work for a small company or are self-employed, you'll need to find disability coverage on your own. True, it's an added

expense — but it's also an investment in your financial future.

Financial freedom, like other types of liberty, does not always come easily. To achieve it, you'll likely have to work hard. But it will be well worth the effort when your own Financial Independence Day does arrive.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by Benjamin Muladore, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones located at 702 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. He can be reached at 547-2166 or e-mail him at ben.muladore@edwardjones.com.

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The photos on this page taken by Charlevoix residents and visitors were submitted to the Charlevoix Courier for this monthly feature. Photos can be dropped off at the Courier office at 112 Mason Street or e-mailed to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Information about the photographer and photo, including when it was taken and a brief description of what is pictured must also be submitted.

(Right) Is it a still from the movie "A Christmas Story"? No, it's a nostalgic shot of Charlevoix kids on St. Mary's playground back in winter 1947. Gerald Stebe sent this picture in to That's My Photo. Pictured are (from left) Glen See, Ralph Lewis, Connie Maxfield, Sharon Belding, Jerry Stebe, Bill Blain, Lynn Richards, Quint Walker, unknown, Brenda Brown, Don Wells, Bill Pardee and Walt Poquette. To have your pictures, old and new, included in That's My Photo, just e-mail them to news@charlevoixcourier.com or snail-mail them to 112 Mason St., Charlevoix, MI 49720 or drop them off at the same physical address.

PHOTO SUBMITTED BY GERALD STEBE



Deb and Dave Strawbridge sent this picture of a baby owl they snapped early this June down near Harwood Lake.

PHOTO BY DEB AND DAVE STRAWBRIDGE



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY THE BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER

Digital bowling

Patrons of the Boyne Area Senior Center faced off against members of the Cheboygan Senior center during their first ever Wii bowling league match. The Cheboygan beat the Boyne seniors, but a good time was had by all. Participants said, aside from the enormous amount of fun they had, Wii bowling is good exercise and a great opportunity to experience fellowship with other seniors.



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Steve Ison and Summer Bigham of Shorts Brewery offered samples of their own microbrewed beers during the annual Taste of Charlevoix event on Saturday, June 20.



Zack Lake of Whitney's Oyster Bar and Restaurant heats his pan to prepare made-to-order pasta at the pasta station during Saturday's Taste of Charlevoix.



Friske Orchards Cafe Grill chef Kevin Heard and helper Lori Armstrong show off their smoked ribs during the Taste of Charlevoix event on June 20. Friske Orchards also featured their famous strawberry shortcake.

Taste of Charlevoix

Photos By
Benjamin Gohs



Laura Lawson, the winery administrator for Black Star Farms winery showed off several bottles of the company's premium wines during Taste of Charlevoix.



Great Lakes Chowder was the catch of the day at the Stafford's Weathervane booth at Taste of Charlevoix. The Weathervane's general manager Jeff Spreckell gets ready to dish a bowl of the favorite soup to a hungry patron.



Janice Leonhardt and Sarah Sirlani of Sadie and Jake's Cafe prepared gourmet green tea and a cherry salad to show their flavor at Taste of Charlevoix in East Park last Saturday.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Neal Breaugh, the secretary/treasurer of the Robert Finch Camp #14 of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War reads a dedication to George Hayner who fought in the American Civil War and later made his home in East Jordan where he was buried in Sunset Hill Cemetery. The rededication of his new headstone occurred Saturday, June 20 with an authentic Civil War-era funeral ceremony.



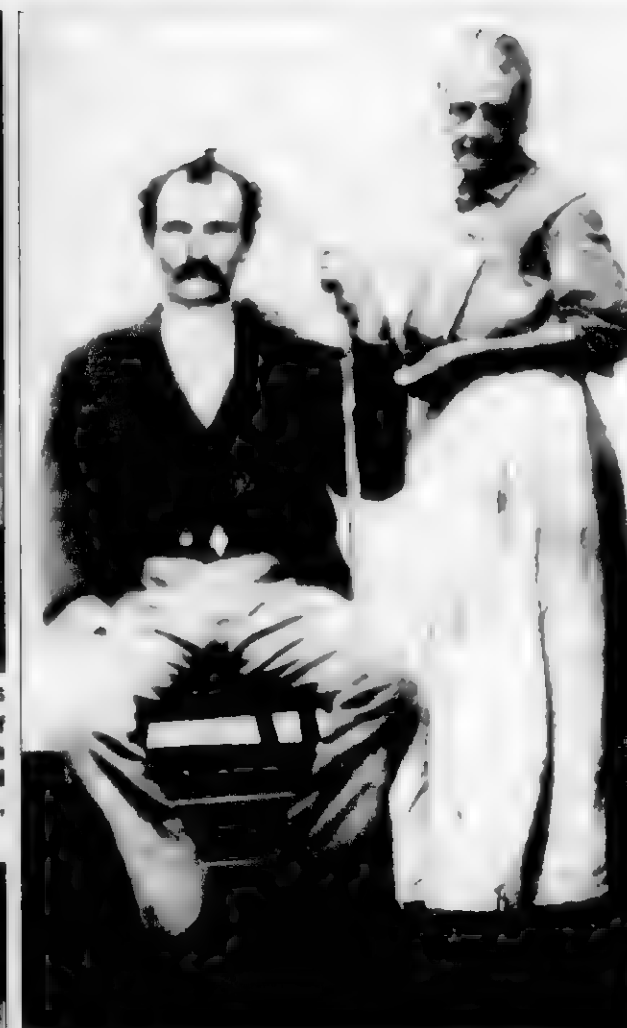
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Volunteers of the Robert Finch Camp #14 out of Traverse City Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War stand attention with Civil War-era weapons and uniforms during the Grand Army of the Republic funeral for George Hayner in Sunset Hill Cemetery last Saturday. The Robert Finch Civil War groups perform ceremonies for relatives of Civil War veterans to help keep alive the memory of the sacrifices they made during the bloodiest war ever on American soil.

Jane Prebble, the great-great-granddaughter of Civil War soldier George Hayner addressed a crowd of nearly two dozen family members and spectators on June 20 during a rededication of her great-great-grandfather's headstone in Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. Prebble attended two services that day for both grandfathers who served in the Civil War. There was also a ceremony for Newton A. Balch later that day in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.



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Rededication of the graves of two Civil War veterans were staged Saturday, June 20. One, for George W. Hayner, was held in East Jordan at Sunset Hill Cemetery. The other, for Newton A. Balch (left) was held at the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix. Balch is pictured here with his wife Lovina sometime in the late 1800s. The ceremonies were conducted by the Robert Finch Camp #14 of Traverse City Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. Balch's rededication was due to him never having had a headstone. Hayner's headstone had crumbled so that it could no longer be read. The Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Administration donated the funds for both new headstones.

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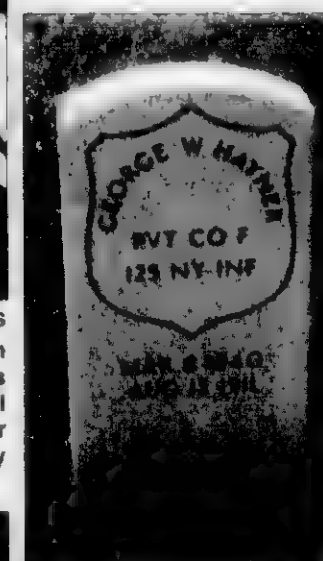


PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS
The Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Administration paid for this new headstone to replace the one which had crumbled over time. George W. Hayner was honored with a Civil War-era funeral on Saturday, June 20, at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Bill Skillman, a former Robert Finch Camp #14 commander and current patriotic instructor, takes his men through a training drill leading up to the rededication of Civil War veteran George Hayner's grave site on June 20 at Sunset Hill Cemetery.

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point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 17, 2009
For more information, please call:
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE AN ACTIVE MORTGAGE DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary West, an unmarried woman AKA Mary M. West, original mortgagee, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 1, 2005, and recorded on Page 854, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee MASTR Asset Backed Securities Trust, 2005-HE1, Mortgage Pass Through Certificates, Series 2005-HE1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Three And 1/100 Dollars (\$59,653.11), including interest at 8.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 17, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots numbered 12 and 13 of Bailey's Addition to Boyne, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Northwest Academy. Date of Meeting: June 20, 2009. Place of Meeting: Northwest Academy Conference Room. Hour of Meeting: 5:30 P.M. Telephone # of Board Offices: (231) 547-9000. Board Minutes are located at the Board Office, 115 West Huribut, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL

MEETING SYNOPSIS

Monday, June 15, 2009 — 7:00 p.m.

210 State Street, City Hall, Council Chambers, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present.

The following proceedings took place:

A public hearing was held on an Ordinance to Amend Title V, Planning and Zoning.

Motion passed to authorize the City Manager to sign the application seeking funds for Colorado Challenge from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Motion passed to approve the City Manager to sign the application seeking funds for Colorado Challenge from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Motion passed to award the bid for water main repair on US 31 to TRITCO County Excavating for a not-to-exceed amount of \$23,300.

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Resolution 2009-06-02 adopted to waive launch/parking fees for the Red Fox Regatta and Nucore Triangle Race.

Resolution 2009-06-03 adopted to establish Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.

Resolution 2009-06-04 adopted to waive docking fees for Tappi Ship Inland Seas.

Ordinance No. 740-2009 adopted to Amend Title V, Planning and Zoning, Chapter 51, Zoning.

Council adjourned 8:49 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council Minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

Stephanie C. Brown, Deputy City Clerk
Norman L. Carlson, Jr., Mayor
(L-6/24)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency is seeking public comment by Friday, July 3, 2009 on an application for a Housing Preservation Grant through USDA Rural Development, to be used to do home repairs for low-income homeowners in Emmet County. For a full statement of activities, please mail your request to: Katie Bedard, NMCAA, 3963 Three Mile Rd., Traverse City, MI 49686. NMCAA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

*The hearing impaired should contact us through the Michigan Relay Center at 1-800-649-3777.

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You broke it, they buy it:
One man's junk is another's treasure.
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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX

Ordinance No. 740 of 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE V, PLANNING AND ZONING, CHAPTER 51, ZONING, MULTIPLE SECTIONS CITED HEREIN.

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Amendment of Sections 5.6, 5.10, 5.12 Definitions.

The following definitions are hereby added or amended to read in their entirety as follows:

Fence: A structure of definite height and location intended to serve as a physical barrier to property ingress or egress, a screen for objectionable vista or noise, a marker, or a decorative use.

Ordinary High Water Mark: The line between upland and bottomland which persists through successive changes in water levels, below which the presence and action of the water is common or recurrent that the character of the land is marked distinctly from the upland and is apparent in the soil itself, the configuration of the soil and the vegetation.

On an inland lake which has a level established by law, it means the high established level. On a river or stream, the ordinary high water mark shall be the ten year flood limit line. The ordinary high water mark shall be at elevation 581.5 feet (International Great Lake Datum, IGLD-1985) for Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix.

Retaining Wall: A permanent structure used to secure dirt, sand, rock, or other materials to prevent downslope movement or erosion.

Through Lot: A lot having frontage on two parallel, or approximately parallel, streets.

Yard, Front: A yard extending across the front of a lot between the side lot lines and being the minimum horizontal distance between the street or place line and the main building or any projections thereon. On corner lots the yard shall be parallel to that street frontage upon which the traditional front entrance for persons, i.e., the front door, is located.

SECTION 2. Amendment of Section 5.33(1) and Section 5.43(1) Minimum Lot Area for R1 and R2 Districts.

The following sections are hereby amended to read in their entirety as follows:

5.33 (1) Minimum Lot Area and Width. The minimum lot area and width in this zone shall be twelve thousand (12,000) square feet and one hundred (100) feet respectively. The building and/or structures shall not use more than thirty (30%) percent of the usable lot area, however lots with an area of less than 7000 square feet shall not use more than forty (40%) percent of the usable area. Percentages shall be determined by totaling the building footprint of all structures on the lot excluding eaves and overhangs that are less than two feet. Eaves and overhangs greater than 2 feet shall be included in the percentage of lot coverage.

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SECTION 3. Amendment of Section 5.92 (b) Permitted Use Regulations in CBD.

Section 5.92(b) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Restaurants.

SECTION 4. Repeal of Section

5.176(6) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 5. Amendment of Section 5.183 Through Lots.

Section 5.183 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

5.183 Through Lots. In any district, a through lot, as defined, shall have a front yard, as hereinafter provided for its particular district, on all frontages along each street lot line. Through lots are prohibited on any new developments, except where one frontage is a private road. Front yards on through lots in existence shall be located on the side of traditional front entrance of the home. Through lots located on Block 5 of Newman's Addition and Block 21 of Mason's Addition shall have frontage on Bellevue Avenue due to topographical disadvantages.

SECTION 6. Amendments to Section 5.188(1), (3) and (4) - Development Plan.

Section 5.188(1) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

(1) No building shall be erected or structurally altered, nor shall any grading take place in any zone district, except R-1 and R-2, nor shall any change in use as defined by use regulation which requires an increase in parking spaces within the various zone districts be permitted in any portion of the premises, until such a time as a Development Plan has been approved by the City Council after review and recommendation by the City Planning Commission. Change of use shall also include a re-institution of any use discontinued for a period of three (3) years or more.

The site plan shall expire unless substantial construction of an approved site plan improvement has begun within 365 days of approval. Thirty days prior to expiration of an approved final site plan, an applicant may make application to the Planning Commission for a one year extension of the site plan at no fee. The Planning Commission may grant the requested extension up to an additional one year, if it finds good cause for the extension and that the zoning regulations governing the site plan approval have not changed since the approval.

If a building permit has been obtained as provided, the development plan approval shall be deemed expired if, at any time prior to completion of the project, work on the project ceases for twelve (12) months or any twelve (12) month period otherwise elapses when substantial progress is not made toward completing the project.

SECTION 7. Amendment of Section 5.188(3) Fence, Walls and Screen Regulations.

Section 5.188(3) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

(3) These 3 copies of the development plan shall be submitted to the Zoning Administrator and shall contain the following information. The zoning administrator may waive the requirements in select cases.

The applicant shall provide to the Zoning Administrator electronic copies of any documents generated for development plan review process on CD or via e-mail in the appropriate electronic format, including but not limited to AutoCad, AutoMap, ESRI, etc., pdf, or jpeg formats. The City acknowledges that these documents are for internal use only and may not be distributed to the public unless required by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

General requirement of overall development plan submission shall consist of a set of drawings shown at a scale of not less than one (1) inch equals fifty (50) feet on a standard sheet size of twenty-four (24) inches by thirty-six (36) inches. A scale of one (1) inch equals one hundred (100) feet when conditions warrant or do not allow the use of the standard sheet size at a scale of one (1) inch equals fifty (50) feet may be permitted. Architectural elevations and floor plan details shall be drawn to a minimum scale of one-eighth (1/8) inch equals one (1) foot.

SECTION 8. Addition of Section 5.262(3) Procedure for Special

Use Permits.

Section 5.262(3) is hereby added and shall read in its entirety as follows:

(3) Applicants that obtain approval from the Planning Commission must then follow Section 5.188 for development plan review if the special use results in an increase in the number of parking spaces required as defined by Article VI.

SECTION 10. Amendment of Section 5.286(4)(a) Variance General Standards.

Section 5.286(4)(a) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

(a) The need for the requested variance is due to unique circumstances or physical conditions of the property involved, such as narrowness, shallowness, shape, water, area, or topography and is not due to the applicant's personal or economic situation.

SECTION 11. Severability.

No other portion, paragraph or phase of the Code of the City of Charlevoix, Michigan shall be affected by this Ordinance except as to the above sections, and in the event any portion, section or subsection of this Ordinance shall be held invalid for any reason, such invalidation shall not be construed to affect the validity of any other part or portion of this ordinance or of the Code of the City of Charlevoix, Michigan.

SECTION 12. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment by the City Council.

ADOPTED this 15th day of June, A.D. 2009.

Ordinance No. 740-2009 was adopted on the 15th day of June, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Gabe Campbell

Seconded by: Councilmember Lyle Gennett

Yeas: Gennett, Kusina, Stevens, Campbell, Cole

Nays: None

Abstain: Picha

Absent: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX) ss

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SECTION 11. Severability.

No other portion, paragraph or phase of the Code of the City of Charlevoix, Michigan shall be affected by this Ordinance except as to the above sections, and in the event any portion, section or subsection of this Ordinance shall be held invalid for any reason, such invalidation shall not be construed to affect the validity of any other part or portion of this ordinance or of the Code of the City of Charlevoix, Michigan.

SECTION 12. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its enactment by the City Council.

ADOPTED this 15th day of June, A.D. 2009.

Ordinance No. 740-2009 was adopted on the 15th day of June, 2009, by the Charlevoix City Council as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Gabe Campbell

Seconded by: Councilmember Lyle Gennett

Yeas: Gennett, Kusina, Stevens, Campbell, Cole

Nays: None

Abstain: Picha

Absent: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX) ss

Stephanie C. Brown, Deputy City Clerk

Norman Carlson, Jr., Mayor (L-6/24)

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sizema at 547-5790 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays in June and September through December at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in July and August. A DVD and book on Earl Young are also available. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sun-

day through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Book sale

In preparation for its 10th annual book sale on Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library are accepting gently used books for resale. Donations can be dropped off daily in the Mason Street lobby of the library. Please do not leave books without covers, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Proceeds from this sale go to the children's department of the library.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no lockstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or

547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

Business Network International

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is

now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesday of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlesstrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Selling club

Be Creative @ your Library

The Charlevoix Public Library's Summer Reading Club (SRC) "Be Creative" is for children ages birth to grade 8. It is designed to keep children reading throughout the summer which helps them stay on grade level and ready for school in the fall. Be Creative also offers programming for all ages every Tuesday evening, June 30—August 4. There will be an all-day registration on Tuesday, June 23rd with Earth Tones Music by Raven Hill at 6:30 pm.



What do you have to do?

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FOR AGES BIRTH-5

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Ages birth - 3 from 6:30-7:00 pm
Ages 4 - 5 from 7:15-7:45 pm

SRC FOR GRADES K-4

June 30, 6:30 pm: Flying Aces Pro Frisbee Team
July 7, 6:30 pm: Paint & Design a T-Shirt
July 14, 6:30 pm: Timberlakes' Traveling Instrument Petting Zoo

July 21, 6:30 pm: Decorate a Journal
July 28, 6:30 pm: Animal Encounters
August 4, 5:30-7:30 pm: Youth Craft Show

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A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

JUNE 24

History of jazz

In conjunction with Jazz at the library program at Charlevoix library, there will be a series of lectures on the history of jazz. Programs are 6:30 p.m., June 24 in the community room. Registration is required to this free event. Call 237-7340 or visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org for more information.

JUNE 24

SEE-North Open House

The open house is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., June 24 at Boyne Highland. Come see birds of prey and more. Call (231) 348-9700 or go to www.seenorth.org.

Panhellenic meeting

The Northern Michigan Panhellenic Women will open the 2009 season with a noon luncheon meeting June 24 at Evelyn Hall in Bay View. All Panhellenic women and new members are welcome. Reservations are due by Monday noon, June 22, and can be made by calling 347-1819 or sign up at the Bay View Post Office.

JUNE 24, JULY 22

Classes on how to start a business are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance including June 24 at the Boyne District Library, and July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or e-mailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

JUNE 24, AUG. 4

Library youth craft show

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., Aug. 4, the Charlevoix Library summer reading club will host a youth craft show in the children's garden. Kids will make crafts. A demo day will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., June 24. Call 237-7350 to register and for more information.

JUNE 26

Northern Lights Celebration presents "Comedy at the Castle" with comedian Chris Linn, at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 26 at Castle Farms off M-66 in Charlevoix. The evening will include silent and live auctions, raffles, open bar and a catered dinner. Cost is \$75 per person—\$50 of that is tax-deductible. Proceeds benefit St.

Library events

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Winter's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

ONGOING

Odmark dedication singer

Students and friends of Clarence Odmark's to sing in a Community Chorus for the dedication of the Odmark Pavilion on July 7. Odmark is remembered for his outstanding instrumental music program at Charlevoix Public Schools but he also directed Charlevoix High School's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus, as well as the choir at the First Congregational Church for many years. Rehearsals are in the Charlevoix Middle School band room. Call Ev Wujcik at 547-6376, Steve Krull at 547-2074 or Leslie Cunningham at 547-2145 for more information.

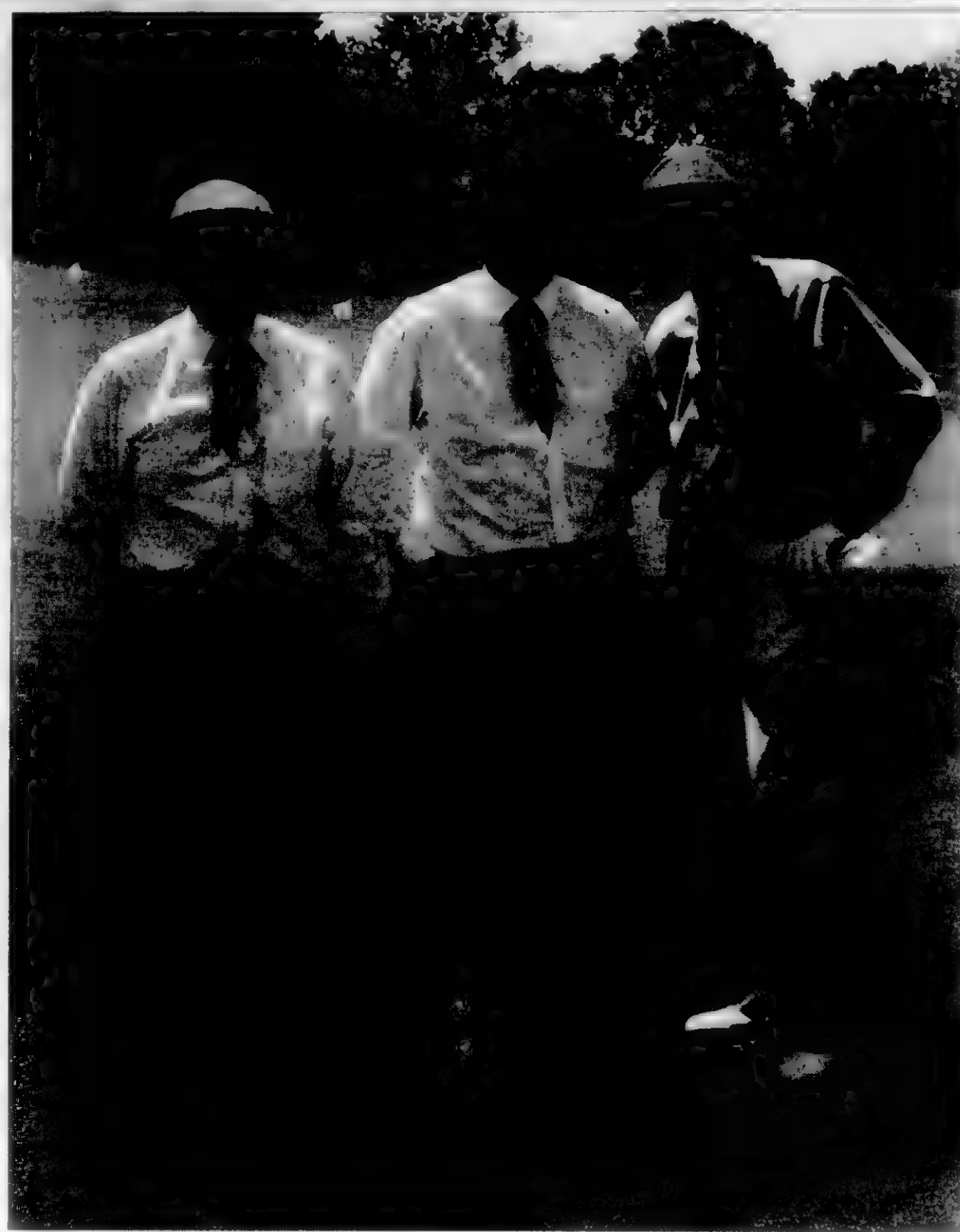


Currently

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Berwick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club
Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and



Hoorah for hickory

The 4th Annual Belvedere Golf Club Hickory Open is June 26 and 27 at the Belvedere Golf Club. Participants are coming from nine states and Canada to play in this authentic pre-1935-era golf competition with hickory shafted golf clubs and golf dress of that period. Tee times are 10 a.m. both days. Spectators are welcome to walk the course and watch the competition at no charge.

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Mary School. Call 547-6652 to make your reservations.

Ellsworth Bible school

From 6:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. from June 22 to June 26 at the Ellsworth Community Elementary School, there will be a Crocodile Dock Vacation Bible School.

All children ages 4 through those who have completed sixth-grade are invited.

Call (231) 599-2194 for more information.

Water Wonderland

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St., is hosting Water Wonderland, an art exhibit focusing on appreciation of the Great Lakes.

Enter your paintings, photographs, sculptures, mixed media pieces or fountains of rivers, lakes and streams piece

now for \$10. Circle of Art members pay \$5. The grand opening of the show is June 26.

There will also be a First Friday of the Month social gathering at the Weatherline restaurant.

Call 547-3554 for more information.

JUNE 27, 28

Library book sale

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 27 and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., June 28, come to the 10th annual library book sale. Currently accepting donations for gently used books—no text books.

June 27 through Aug. 4

Art on display
New Works by pastel artist Jerry Power. Opening recep-

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tion 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. June 27 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South. Call 547-2333 or go to www.cyclingsalamander.com. June 27 through Aug. 4.

JULY 4

Independence Day parade

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1153 invites everyone to participate in the 4th of July Parade and Ceremonies.

Assembly of parade and participants will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday on East Garfield Street at the American Legion Post 226. Step off is at 10 a.m. onto Bridge St. heading north.

We will have a brief stop at Veterans Park, then on to East Park Stage.

Lineup of the march is as follows:

Charlevoix City Police car, World War II two-ton 6x6 troop carrier truck, combined color guard of VFW and American Legion, combined Women's Auxiliary VFW and American Legion, and community groups and children.

Art demonstration

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Bier Art Gallery will be hosting a weekend art demonstration. Saturday July 4 and Sunday July 5, six miles south of Charlevoix at the red and white schoolhouse. Meet and talk with working artists; refreshments will be available.

Registration for the Venetian Festival Golf Tournament/Keith Carey Cup is now underway at the Charlevoix Golf Club. All entrants must be at least 12 years old and living within the Charlevoix area code of 49720 or be a season passholder. Divisions this year are student, men, senior men, and ladies.

Entry fee is \$10. Deadline for registration is Saturday, July 4. Play begins the week of July 5.

For more information contact the Charlevoix Golf Club at 547-3268.

JULY 6, AUG. 3

Summer Folk Concert

At 7 p.m. see Will and Ann Rolland for a one-hour concert in the Community Room. Following is a "jam session" for all who bring an instrument to this free event.

JULY 10

Get Symphony tickets

Get your tickets to the Symphony on the Green in support

of Charlevoix Area Hospital's health education and outreach programs.

Tickets are \$125 each and include dinner, music, dancing, cocktails and more.

The event is July 10 at the Pelican Airways hangar on US 31 South.

This year's theme is "Swing: Get Down and Boogie-Woogie."

Call 547-8501 for more information.

The hospital is also offering swing dance lessons on June 21. Call for more information.

JULY 13

Mr. Art Critic — showing of the feature-length comedy starring Bronson Pinchot followed by afterglow reception with filmmaker, Rich Brauer. The film, which is appropriate for all ages, was shot in Traverse City and on Mackinac Island.

The event is free and open to the public. Donations appreciated. Showing is 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., July 13 in Charlevoix Public Library community room A.

JULY 17 AND 18

Car show

The Charlevoix Street Legends hosts their 17th annual classic car show on July 17 and 18.

The event kicks off with a free concert featuring the Fabulous Oldies but Goodies '50s and '60s rock n roll band at 7 p.m. on July 17 in East Park's new bandshell for the Friday Night Cruise-In.

Registration for the car show begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 18; the show begins at 10 a.m. in East Park. More than 30 prize categories for trucks, cars and motorcycles and additional trophies will be awarded.

An auction to benefit Camp Quality will also be held at 3 p.m.

Visit www.streetlegends.net or e-mail bmoran0016@aol.com for more information.

AUG. 3

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at 6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Call 237-7340 for more information.

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Women's swim night

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Women's Swim Night will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday nights. The cost is \$3.50 per swimmer. The first time is free. For more information call 547-5190.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make



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Flute choir concerts

On Tuesday, June 23, the choir performs as part of the Potoskey Concert in the Park series at Noon in Pennsylvania Park in Potoskey. The concert is free and open to the public. On Sunday, June 28, the flute choir will perform as part of the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra Sunday Series. The recital is 4 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopical Church in Potoskey. The Northern Michigan Flute Choir is composed of eight flutists from a five county area in northern Michigan. All are presently members of regional organizations including the Charlevoix City Band. Members of the Choir include Ann Bahr (East Jordan), Bonnietta Benn (Potoskey), Wendy Patton Leino (Mackinac Island), Grace Olson (Gaylord), Jill O'Neill (Potoskey), Cidney Roth (Mackinaw City), Gwen Sarya (Charlevoix) and Nancy Schoenese (Central Lake). For more information call (231) 272-2020 or (231) 529-6226.

an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

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Child life jackets free to borrow

This year, Irish Boat Shop in Harbor Springs and Charlevoix is helping to keep kids safe while on the water by participating in the Boat U.S. Foundation Life Jacket Loaner Program for Kids. This program, made possible by the Boat U.S. Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water, allows boaters to borrow a child's lifejacket for the day or the weekend at no charge.

Visit Irish Boat Shop between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays at 13000 Stover Road in Charlevoix and sign out a life jacket for an infant, child, or youth for the day or the weekend.

Return jackets when done.

Irish Boat Shop was awarded a kit of 12 life jackets at each location, making it possible to help countless

children stay safe on the water this summer. Call 547-9967 for more information.

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Quarter million road loan OKd

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners unanimously approved a \$255,000 loan to begin work on River Road in Melrose Township.

Despite protest by outspoken Boyne City-Charlevoix Road advocate Connie Saltonstall, the board voted to fund the short-term loan to reconstruct nearly two miles of River Road from Bear River

Road to Springvale Road.

"The current steering committee, with the premise of saving money, has determined road funding and work based on the participation of township money and road projects," Saltonstall said. "Saving money is a good thing but ... they have eliminated townships that do not have the available funds or projects."

She added, "That was not the intent of the road millage. There was support for the

millage because many townships could not afford to do roadwork."

Saltonstall's concern stems from what she believes is an appearance of bias since some road steering committee members—appointed to recommend how road millage money should be spent—have current or prior connections with local townships.

Steering committee members include Eveline Vronsdan, former Norwood Township Board member Dennis Way, former Supervisor of Melrose Township Mike Webster, Supervisor of Chandler Township Dennis Howard and Ken Allen from the Concerned Citizens of Charlevoix County—the group calling for Boyne City-Charlevoix Road to be fixed.

Commissioners did not respond and no discussion preceded the 5-0 vote—board chair Chris Christensen was absent.

Melrose Township Supervisor Vern Goodwin said the move will help the road's nearly 950 travelers a day. "It's in terrible shape," he said. "There are parts of it where you can only do 10 mph or the front end of your truck will fall off."

Steering committee spokesman Vronsdan could not be reached for comment by press time.

Road Commission will now use the loan to reconstruct the road.

Once money from the Charlevoix County Road Millage begins to be collected later this December, the loan will be repaid.

Passed in November of last year, the 1-mil, 15-year levy is expected to fund nearly \$2 million a year for road improvements throughout the

See ROAD, page 13

Board split on land bank

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Unable to agree on its value and seeking to learn more, Charlevoix County Commissioners tabled discussion on whether to create a land bank.

Under Michigan Law, counties may apply for and create a land bank in their area which would then allow them to buy and sell foreclosed properties.

"Basically what it's designed for is blight properties that come back on the tax roll that we can clean up, resell or use for different various things—for undesirable parcels that are too small to build on, for landlocked parcels," said Charlevoix County Treasurer Marilyn Cousineau. "Last year I had six of them on Beaver Island that are landlocked and I have a feeling I'll get them back in another three years."

Commissioner Ron Reinhardt (R-District Three) expressed concern that the county

would go after eyesore properties even if the landowner had paid taxes. However, Cousineau said that is not legal.

"We can only get property back that is taken (for delinquent taxes) in foreclosure," she said. "We wouldn't be dealing with anything else."

Cousineau added, "The alternative is they just go to auction like they always do—it would be to keep things as they are."

Commissioner Bob Drebenstedt (R-District Five) was against the move.

"I don't think the county should be in the land business," he said. "If we can investigate this more, I would appreciate it."

Commissioner Shirley Roloff (R-District Six) also called for more time for the commissioners to discuss the matter.

"We seem to have trouble taking care of what's on our plates now and I can see this

being another big chore," Trapp said. "How do we pay for all this?"

Cousineau said the program will pay for itself once the county begins selling property at a profit.

"The land bank can sell them to the adjoining proper owners for a small amount of money to get them back on the tax rolls so they'll stay there and so taxes will get paid," she said. "If we get back any buildings that should be condemned, we can get rid of them ... clean up the property and fix them up."

The funding for the bank would come, not only from potential profitable sales, but also a limited tax recapture.

"After those properties are sold—for five years—the land bank would get 50 percent of the taxes that would come off that property," Cousineau said.

The commissioners will likely discuss the matter further at their 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 8 meeting.



Sweet summertime

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Brother and sister Tyler and Sydney Whitley decided to make a little cash this summer by putting up a lemonade stand. The two said they had had several sales the morning of Friday, June 26 in their neighborhood a few streets off the main drag.

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BIRTHS

Dylan Samuel Cockerill, weighing 7 pounds 15 ounces was born June 22, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Amy Rhea and Adam Cock

erill of Bellaire. His brother is Logan. His grandparents are Gary Hurst of Central Lake, Bob and Kim O'Neal and Cheri Collette, all of Bellaire. His great-grandparents

are Carol Rhea, Doyle and Connie O'Neal all of Bellaire. **Stephen Thomas Hawkins** weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces was born June 23,

at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Stephen and Courtney Hawkins of East Jordan. His sister is Natalie S. His grandparents are Steve and Dee Hawkins of East Jordan and John and Barbara Shulick of Boyne City. His great-grandparents are Jackie and Jerry Hawkins of East Jordan and Thomas Shulick of Lansing.

Alexander Joseph Mosley weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces was born June 23, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Robin Rosencrans and Dustin Mosley of Boyne City. His brother is Benjamin. His grandparents are Sherry Mosley of Charlevoix and Zenna Rosencrans from Boyne Falls. His great-grandparents are Sandra Mosley of Charlevoix and Barbara Efforth of Boyne City.

Trinity Lucille Perry weighing 5 pounds, 13 ounces

was born June 20, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Matt and Kau Perry of Central Lake. Her siblings are Tyler, Alex, and Liberty. Her grandparents are Chuck and Lorna Bronkins of Central Lake and Rose Mary Perry of Bellaire.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Anita Louise Breidenbaugh, 47, Gibsonton, Fla. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$250 in fines and costs.

Eugene Lee Behling, 49, Boyne City. Use of marijuana. Serve six months on probation; 90 days held in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$450

in fines and costs.

Phillip Jay Fierro, 29, Petoskey. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

David Edward Stockford, 44, East Jordan. Assault/breaking and entering - illegal entry. Serve five days of community service work or serve 20 days in jail; \$650 in fines and costs.

Robert William Karki, 59, East Jordan. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; 334 days held in abeyance;

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June 23	79	66	—
June 24	82	—	—
June 25	82	—	—
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June 27	74	59	—
June 28	77	62	.32

Correction

In the obituary for Ralph E. Teague which appeared on page 8 of the June 24 edition of Charlevoix Courier, it was stated that he served in "World War II" it should have

read "World War I." We apologize for the error.

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The snack bars at both Ferry and Lake Michigan beaches are now open for the season.

The Beach House at Lake Michigan Beach is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day, and serves wraps, salads, panini, burgers, fries and nachos. "The reason we're working it is my daughter and her friends needed a job," said Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "We found out nobody else had applied to operate the snack bar this season so we decided to go for it."

The snack bar at Ferry Beach is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. The concession stand is being operated by Becky Doan, wife of Charlevoix Police Chief Gerard Doan.

The Doans, too, applied to run the stand after no one else attempted to do so. Ferry Beach offers ice cream, pop, water, iced-tea, hot-dogs, chips and burgers. Pictured in front of the Beach House are Grace Glenn, Lexie Eagle, Adam Hagen, Shauna Spenceley and Sydney Carlson.



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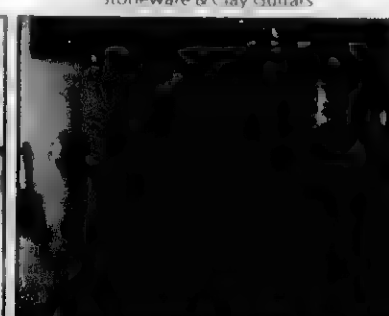
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Peter Allen Dadoovich, 34, Boyne City. Domestic violence, first offense. Credit for 17 days in jail; to serve 13 days in jail; 63 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

William Harley-Junior Daniels, 28, Boyne City. Failure to comply with sex offender registry rules. Pay \$500 or serve 20 days in jail.

Michael Joseph Wilczynski, 20, Wolverine Lake. Breaking and entering - illegal entry. Serve five days of community service work or serve 20 days in jail; \$650 in fines and costs.

Hannah Megan Bradley, 17, Charlevoix. Minor in

possession of alcohol. Serve 40 hours of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$300 in fines and costs.

Christopher Michael Bryant, 34, Boyne Falls. Domestic violence. Credit for three days in jail; 78 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; to attend men's group; no contact with the victim; \$650 in fines and costs.

Klancie Danielle Argue, 18, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve five days of community service work; \$250 in fines and costs.

Robert James Startzel, 20, Boyne City. Failure to report an accident. Pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Michael Eric VanHorn, 41, Boyne City. Open intoxicant, motor vehicle passenger. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Anita Lynn McCarry, 46, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Lonell Bradley Perry, 18, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 40 hours of community service; \$300 in fines and costs.

Sean Mathew Crean, 27, Charlevoix. Three counts of defrauding an innkeeper. Credit for four days in jail; to serve 26 days in jail; \$382 in fines and costs.

Rachel Jo Thorp, 29, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on proba-

tion; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Julie Ann Horton, 27, Fenton. No operator license on person. Pay \$500 in fines and costs.

Marien Oliver Sidlauskas, 36, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 67 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$885 in fines and costs.

John Henry Robert Aimesbury, 21, East Jordan. Retail fraud, third degree. Credit for 10 days in jail; 73 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service

work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,580 in fines and costs.

Emmet-Charlevoix fair alive and well

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Earlier this year the state announced cuts to local fairs—and that's when the phone calls started coming in.

But, say fair officials, despite a relatively significant chunk of funding missing, the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair will go on.

"There is going to be a fine fair, as a matter of fact," said Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair manager Angus Shaw. "Everything is going to be here that has been here in years past."

She added, "And, we are hoping for the support of the community because we used to get support from the Michigan Department of Agriculture that is no longer available."

While there was a decrease in funding, Shaw said, the confusion seemed to be on exactly what was cut.

Costs include the ribbons and cash prizes the fair awards for various categories, according to Shaw.

"We used to get ... \$15,000. It was a matching grant to cover tents and port-a-potties and improvements," she said. "My port-a-potties alone run between \$5,000 and \$6,000."

In previous years the state reimbursed the fair up to 62 percent of the cost of the ribbons and cash prizes.

The fair paid \$35,000 in prize money last year.

"We were not supposed to be on the chopping block until 2010, but because of the dire straits of the economy in Michigan, we were affected this year," she said. "We were not expecting that ... and it gave us

no time to prepare."

In order to continue funding the ribbons and prizes, the fair board decided to cut the award amounts in half instead of eliminating them altogether.

Shaw said the best way to support the fair is to simply show up and buy a ticket to a grandstand event.

"The fair office always takes donations to help with the cost of ribbons," she added.

A fundraiser to help support this year's fair is the engraved brick paver program.

For \$40 you can have up to three lines engraved on a four-inch by eight-inch patio

brick. For \$80 you can have five lines on an eight-inch by eight-inch brick.

The pavers will be placed in the memorial garden walkway.

Additional help this year has come from the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners which upped their usual \$10,000 contribution to \$15,000.

"It's very important for the young kids interested in participating in the (4H) programs," said Charlevoix County Commissioner and fair board member Shirleen Tripp (R-District One). "We

would probably survive without it, but we've given up so much—we spend so much on the kids that we don't have choices on through the courts ... and all those avenues. The fair supports the kids that are doing productive projects."

This year's fair is scheduled from Aug. 22 through Aug. 30 and will offer a rodeo, auto-cross, demolition derby and animal shows at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

There will also be a karaoke contest with a \$10 entry fee. But, Shaw said, much of the

entertainment is at no cost.

"You can't go anywhere for \$3 and no parking fee and have a whole day's fun," Shaw said. "We do allow coolers and a family that wants to bring a picnic lunch and not spend money at the concession stands can do that."

She added, "We try to make it affordable for families to have a good time."

Those 12 and younger enter at no cost.

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Jerome Gregory Petriw Jr., 33, Boyne City. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 60 days in jail; 60 days on an electronic monitoring device; 274 days held in abeyance; to serve 24 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,580 in fines and costs.

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News around the neighborhood

Remember that old TV show?



Nancy Merthaus

Well, that's what I am at, attempting to find out with you Fast Forward residents. Please call or e-mail me about things to share in this column that is meant for you, too!

Congratulations Paul and Dorothy Pfahler! On June 12, they celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary.

Grandview Auxiliary met June 18 with 14 members and one resident attending.

Social worker, Tammy Sides, explained the services covered for her position. This included an Alzheimer's support group open to the public. She announced the next Community Education Series open to the public on June 25, entitled Peace of Mind (Making Important Decisions Now) from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Officers of the Auxiliary were re-elected

for the year 2009-10. They are: Anita Hawes, president; Helen Denning, vice-president; Shirley Howe, secretary and Peg Crozier, treasurer. The Auxiliary will have a salad luncheon for members and residents on July 9.

Kathy Rice of Tecumseh is here visiting her mother, Arlene Inman and family. Her husband, Jim, will return in two weeks to take her back home.

Several people from Boyne City attended the memorial service for Bill Pearson who died on June 12 in Gaylord. He and his wife Jan (Coom) both graduated in 1956 from Boyne City High School. Bill endured Parkinson's disease for quite some time. May he rest in peace.

Food Pantry caretaker of Boyne, Les Nahulu, sends out more praise and appreciation to the many who are donating their time as well as money and whatever extra it takes to keep it up and running and meeting the needs in the area.

Good news it is ... that Janet Massey is back on the job at Ace Hardware.

Lillian Cikalo has returned to her home after successful back surgery at the Munson Hospital in Traverse City last week. She is

last meeting on June 15. There were 16 members attending a lovely lunch at Deer Lake's Beach Haus. Highlighting the event was an interesting and informative talk given by James Bauman, director of the chamber of commerce. He spoke of the updated projects around town as well as future endeavors. Monday Study Club will resume their meetings in September.

Andy and Connie honored, Adam Lynch, a 2009 grad on Saturday with an open house, friends and relatives, including the Kelts cousins. They enjoyed lots of good fun, food and music. Special entertainment of the Morris girls from down state wowed everyone with their Hawaiian dancing. Adam plans to continue his education in the fall.

Dorothy Ward is in the Charlevoix Area Hospital after taking a fall at home.

Heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Karl Waldner of Dietz Road in Boyne City. Mr. Waldner passed away this past week.

Lillian Cikalo has returned to her home after successful back surgery at the Munson Hospital in Traverse City last week. She is

reported to be recuperating very well at home.

Boyne Area Seniors beat the Petoskey Friendship Center Seniors at Wii bowling on Tuesday by 6 points. ... yea Boyne! On Friday, about 8 to 10 Grandview residents joined the Boyne Area Seniors for "Crunchy Dumplings" a favorite lunch, with all the fixins', making it a total of 83 around the tables. Entertainment was the lively dancing of the Jordan Valley Stompers and the Boyne Area Steppers.

An Anderson-Russell Family Reunion was on Saturday at the Pavilion in Boyne Falls. About 50, throughout Michigan as well as Texas and North Dakota brought in a variety of good food for the potluck picnic and special family time. Joann Anderson Breen, was honored for her 80th birthday. She was also pleased that five out of her six children and grandchildren were able to be there. Bonnie Kaminski organized the gathering.

Henry Davies of Detroit and daughter Brenda Reisor of Prudenville were here on last week's beautiful Saturday; they picked up his Aunt Ruth Sheets and enjoyed a tour of Charlevoix, which included lunch at the

WEEKLY POLL

Should the state increase the gas tax to give road commissions more operating funds?

Yes (108 Votes, 83%)
No (62 Votes, 37%)

This week's poll question:
Should Charlevoix County create a land bank to buy and sell real estate?

Yes No

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Weatherwise

Over this past winter, four babies were born in the Varnum family, this past week, Gen Varnum, Woody, Penny and Jenny Hardy all went to see all the newborns in Ohio. It was like a mini-family reunion, of three generations, as they were joined there by Pam and Mike Smith of Redford, Paul and Amy Hardy of Alabama, and of course, Peggy and Keith McGeorge were already there. The newborns were twins, a boy and a girl, Eli and Amelia, born to Kasha McGeorge Brackett and husband Dan, a son, Clark, born to Collins and Steph McGeorge, and

another son, Gabriel, born to Patrick and Angel Varnum. The weather was so hot while they were celebrating with water balloons and water pistols; it was a cooling relief to get shot!

Hope to be seeing lots of you at the All School Reunion from 1-3 on Friday, July 3, at Veteran's Memorial Park. Old pictures to share or just see who's all there!

Items of interest for Nancy's column may be called into her home phone: 582-9174 or e-mailed to neighbors@gtlakes.com before her deadline of every other Wednesday in the Boyne-East Jordan Observer and Charlevoix Courier.

Playing with fire, July 4 tradition

The Fourth of July brings to my mind the ring of sparks falling on my outstretched arm.



Christine Gwilt

I remember summer evenings gathered on the lawn with my cousins and my friends, waiting for the metal stems of sparklers that fizzed like cartoon bomb fuses.

The grownups doled out the sparklers one at a time. We

were allowed to hold the tips to the flame of uncle Don's Zippo lighter until they caught in a thrilling resplendent burst. We suffered the singeing fallout with stoic grace. It was sanctioned anarchy and it was worth it.

For one day of the year we were allowed to run with sharp flaming objects.

No one cautioned that we'd put someone's eye out and they didn't seem to mind that we shrieked and waved the sizzling sticks over our flammable hair. It was a noisy celebration.

My favorite Fourth of July diversions were the tiny pellets

called Snakes. They came in a box illustrated with a black, tongue-flicking serpent, and they blossomed into an undulating marvel, leaving a sinewy, oddly sturdy ash.

"Don't light those blankety-blank things in the driveway," uncle Jack warned us.

He actually said "blankety-blank" in an effort to clean up his language in front of us kids. The Snakes left blackened pockmarks on the concrete and Uncle Jack was what my mom called house-proud.

So we'd sit on the curb and a designated adult would light them in the street.

The volume of charcoal-gray ash produced by the little pill was entrancing. They didn't make any noise, aside from a soft serpentine hiss, but for me that was a plus. Unfurling a roll of ammo from my Annie Oakley cap gun and hanging the individual rounds with a rock was as far as my tepid fascination with explosions ever took me.

Meanwhile, in a small Wisconsin town, the boy who would grow up and marry me was observing Independence Day with considerably more verve. In his clan, an arsenal of bottle rockets, pinwheels, Black Cat firecrackers and cherry bombs served

as gateway pyrotechnics to the more serious stuff. In Michael's family of six boys and one nervous girl, the festivities didn't really begin until the ringing in their ears reduced communication to sign language.

Perhaps in a subliminal effort to thin out the herd, adult supervision consisted of handing over a box of kitchen matches with a warning to be careful. One memorable year, the festivities came to an aborted and ignoble end when the neighbor's roof ignited.

Early in our marriage, Michael and I drove to his hometown to attend the family's July

Fourth jamboree. We fueled up on bratwurst, beer and cheese curds—all of the traditional Dairy State party fare—before my brother-in-law, Steve, began unloading boxes of fireworks from his garage. He'd been stockpiling for the occasion and had amassed an impressive collection.

As the eldest, and still the acknowledged ringleader, Steve ran the show. His three older sons, grappled with their uncles and cousins for proximity to the source of the mayhem. The cherry bombs bursting in air

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LETTERS to the editor

Health services misconceptions

Editor:
There's a lot of confusion about other countries' government run plans compared to our system.

A scientific study in Health Affairs, the Policy Journal of Health Sphere, comparing the quality of health in the US with Canada, England, New Zealand and Australia, found the U.S. lagging behind in treatment.

Noting other studies have found the U.S. falls in the bottom quartile of these developed nations for life expectancy and infant mortality, the writers compared survival rates in several major disease categories, including stroke, asthma, transplants, and cancers.

"It is difficult to conclude that it (the US) is getting good value for its medical care dollar," the scientists concluded.

Another recent study compared health data and what we spend on health care per person in the US with other major industrialized countries. Our cost are higher in each case yet our life expectancy is slightly lower in each case.

In the US the average per person annual medical costs are \$6,402, a combination of insurance payments and government coverage with consumers averaging \$842 out-of-pocket. Health care costs are 15.3 percent of our GDP.

Life expectancy is 78.1 years.

In Great Britain, with government run and tax-funded health care, the average spending per year is \$2,723, with consumers out-of-pocket spending at \$352 on supplemental insurance, drugs and direct payments to doctors.

Health spending is 8.3 percent of the GDP. Life expectancy is 79 years.

In France, where the government provides universal coverage, the average spending per person is \$3,374, with consumer's spending \$233 out-of-pocket for private coverage. Health care spending is 11.1 percent of the GDP.

Life expectancy is 80.3 years.

The facts are similar in The Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, and Japan. In each country life expectancy exceeds that of the US and health care spending is a smaller percentage of the GDP.

A 2007 study prepared for the United States Congress also found that while people spend more on health care in the US, studies of quality of care does not reflect the greater costs.

It is time for real reform. Fear of a government component is not based on facts.

A good source for Canadian opinions on their system is at www.huffingtonpost.com/billmann/americans-whove-used-cana_b_215256.html.

We need to speak out and urge Congress to pass real health care reform.

Sara Gay Damman
Charlevoix

More seating needed

Editor:

Do you ever get to Shanahan Field to watch a soccer game and there is nowhere to sit?

Well I know that happens to my family a lot.

That is why I think that we need more seating at Shanahan Field!

For example, if there was more seating parents wouldn't have to pack chairs. Most people don't have time before games to pack up chairs. Some people might not have room in their cars for chairs! I know that when I am at my Grandpa's house I ride my bike there!

At my house there are a few little kids and it is very hard to prepare all of that stuff!

Also if we had more seating at Shanahan Field, more people could come.

What happens if a family member can't come because there is not enough seating and they don't have chairs?

I know that I do better in soccer when I have family there to cheer me on! I figured out that 50 percent of the kids in the world do better in soccer if they have someone there to cheer

them on!

Lastly, if we had more seating at Shanahan Field, then people wouldn't have to stand up.

Everybody gets tired when they stand up for too long!

What happens if we don't have chairs? Well we would have to stand up! It can get really crowded with all of those people standing up!

In conclusion, just think of all the great things that could come from this! Nobody would have to stand, we wouldn't have to pack chairs, and more people could come! This could be great!

Kamri Cunningham
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

Clean cemetery

Editor:

I was at the Charlevoix Cemetery Sunday to water plants.

The place looked like a mess. The grass wasn't cut nice and there was no trimming done. No clean up either.

Plants were dry due to lack of water.

The Catholic Cemetery didn't look too bad.

But I've seen both look a heck of a lot better.

I donated to ground sprinklers and I haven't seen them around either since the first summer. I took them out there. Lots in there are expensive and I think all people that have them deserve better.

East Park sure looks well kept.

S. J. Krehak
Charlevoix

More letters on page 28

Imbalance of nature



Roger Knutson

What is going on?
The wretched excess, the temporary imbalance of nature.

The substance covering the street beneath the trees is a product of the literally millions of aphids or plant lice that are currently feeding on the tender young leaves.

These insects suck out the sugary sap of the tree and what falls to the street is what is left over after it has passed through their tiny digestive tract. The product is euphemistically called "honeydew."

But we all know it is aphid excrement.

If you are a young aphid you need a balanced diet to grow and thrive.

The pure plant sap you are sucking out of the tree has a lot of sugar and not much protein.

To get the protein you need you must consume a great deal of plant sap, and most of it just passes right on through.

I have no idea which particular kind of aphid this is, but they live on all sorts of broadleaf trees.

There are about 2,000 kinds of aphids in the world and at least a few dozen of them live in Michigan.

What almost all of them have in common is an enormous capacity for reproduction.

Nearly all the aphids this time of year are females who

live about one month and produce from 80-100 live, tiny offspring each.

Each of these is also a female who, after a week or so, can begin to produce her own 80-100 offspring.

If you do the arithmetic, the arrival of a single aphid on a tree can quickly result in millions.

And, the sticky streets or yards or cars below the trees are the result.

Should we be spraying the trees? No. Such outbreaks are not predictable and do little harm to the trees, even though we may have to wash the car more frequently this year.

The aphids are great food for ladybugs, spiders and some small birds.

Temporary imbalances like the aphids, the web worms that are abundant this year, and even the lake flies that sometimes blanket our shores and stores, are to be expected. Nature is almost often a wildly extravagant operation.

Where there is some serious economic import to such extravagance we might consider controlling it in some sensitive way.

But we should never be surprised when some creature or plant temporarily exceeds our wishes.

The balance of nature is mostly a poetic idea with little correspondence in the non-poetic world.

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BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Front Porch café in Ellsworth is not so different from any small town eatery, except that it is.

When the previous incarnation of the café closed in February of 2008 and the grocery and deli followed suit two weeks later, the bait shop set up a table and invited folks in for coffee. But, in January, the bait shop closed. With unemployment looming at around 16 percent in the county, the idea of reopening the restaurant may have seemed like a less-than-good idea, but turning a profit wasn't really the objective—this is a community project.

"This place belongs to the community, not to any one church," said Bob Felton, an outreach facilitator with the Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church. "If the church is serious, they have to go to the community as opposed to the community coming to them."

The non-profit diner has become the heartbeat of the town of 500 or so residents. It's a place to gather, catch up on the news and solve the world's problems over a cup of coffee and a slice of homemade pie.

Part of Felton's work involves making connections between the church and the community and he recognized the need to revive the spirit of the town and provide a gathering place. In a joint effort with four other area churches, the Front Porch opened for business.

Felton stressed that the project is in the interest of unifying the community, and not limited to church members.

The restaurant is non-denominational and the prices reflect only the cost of covering ongoing daily expenses.

Nothing on the menu exceeds \$5: a hamburger with homemade mashed potatoes and gravy is \$4.95, and breakfast is served anytime.

"There are only four paid employees," said Felton. "Everyone else volunteers."

Organizers say the café is more than an answer to the recent spate of businesses that have closed in town.

The staff may be short on pay, but Felton said they're long on talent.

Chef Jan Rasmussen turns out pies with towering caramel-colored tips of meringue.

Louise Klooster bakes cookies and cinnamon rolls.

Klooster uses the cinnamon roll recipe handed down from her husband's Aunt Agnes.

John and Agnes Klooster opened the original Front Porch in 1954.

"This place is allowing me to live a dream I never thought I'd have," Klooster said.

And, that may be the attitude that makes this diner special. The staff and volunteers say there's no place they'd rather be, and they're happy you've stopped by.

Booths line one wall below a collection of vintage posters displayed on a high shelf.

The spotless dining area is a model of friendly efficiency.

Ron Toussaint rides his Harley from Wolverine a couple of times a week to sit at the counter and order the Front Porch Special: two eggs, two pieces of sausage or bacon, American fries and toast.

Whether a day-tripper or a local volunteer showing up on their day off, every patron is greeted and fed like family.

Weekly specials at the Front Porch include lunch for seniors every Thursday, paid by donation, and a family fellowship dinner on alternate Wednesdays that's sponsored by area churches.

During the summer, the café serves dinner with a nod to more sophisticated cuisine on the fourth Saturday of every month.

And, on the third Saturday of each month from September through May, "The Back Porch Coffee Shop" brings in artists and also provides an open mic for local poets and musicians.

"I think we've been wildly successful," Felton said. "This is the place to come."

The Front Porch is open for breakfast and lunch.

Although the kitchen closes at 2 p.m., the back door is left open and a pot of coffee is on for any late afternoon guests.

"We just ask that they turn off the coffee pot and lock up when they leave," said Felton.

On a warm summer morning, the streets of Ellsworth are quiet and nearly deserted.

But, the parking lot of the Front Porch gives a good indication of where everyone might be.



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Ron Toussaint of Wolverine gets a refill on his coffee from Front Porch café volunteer Laura Seaney.

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Public hearing on One Water Street

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Boyer City developer Glenn Catt may get \$1.7 million in tax credits to clean up a contaminated building site, but not before the public has its say.

A hearing on Catt's request to tap into Brownfield development funds, which would reimburse him for clean-up costs on his One Water Street site, is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., July 7 in Boyer City Commission chambers.

"The Charlevoix County Commission established the BRA (Brownfield Redevelopment Authority) to promote the safe reuse and redevelopment of environmentally impaired properties in Charlevoix County," Sheri Rhoads of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance told county commissioners recently. "The Charlevoix County BRA (Brownfield Redevelopment Authority) can do projects anywhere in Charlevoix County and the first one will be in Boyer City."

If Catt is granted his request, the current taxes on the property will remain the same until construction begins—nearly \$500,000 per year.

The six-year Brownfield tax capture is estimated to generate nearly \$1.7 million.

The clean-up would be extensive, Catt said, because the property in question was once used as a railroad roundhouse, a shingle mill and a commercial boat dock.

"As the project is constructed and taxes start to come in on the new development the BRA (Brownfield Redevelopment Authority) can capture the new taxes and use it to reimburse the developer to help pay for clean-up costs," Rhoads said.

"After the developer is reimbursed the tax capture ends and all the new taxes on this new big thing goes to the taxing authorities."

Rhoads said the benefit to using qualifying Brownfield sites for development is the ability to turn low-value prop-

erties into high-value properties.

Catt could only be reimbursed for pre-approved clean-up activities.

"The state wants to see local skin in the game as well so to capture the state taxes they want to see local taxes captured as well," Rhoads said.

"But, the taxes that are captured ... is only specific to that parcel."

She added, "This is one parcel in the DDA (downtown development authority) district."

If Catt's plan were to fail, he would not receive any reimbursement for clean-up costs.

The \$12 million proposed One Water Street project consists of rental space for retail businesses, high-end hotel rooms and dock space.

"The biggest thing for me going forward ... you could either maximize your profit or minimize your risk," he said. "I'd rather minimize my risk. My goal is not to have any vacant storefronts."

What's happening at the Library?

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Wednesday, July 1, 7:00 pm
Jazz Goes on Stage & to the Movies is the theme for the first season of this educational music series—featuring Laurie Sears on the flute and saxophone.

Ask the Tech Guy
Thursday, July 2, 10:00 am
Call for an appointment to talk software issues with the library's tech guy, assistant budget officer.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura
Thursdays at 10:30 am
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Summerfolk Concert
Monday, July 6, 7:00-9:00 pm
Join Michael Lee for an hour long folk concert, followed by a "Jam Session in the Round" by all who are interested.

French Conversation Circle
Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm
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SRC: Paint and Design Your Own T-Shirt
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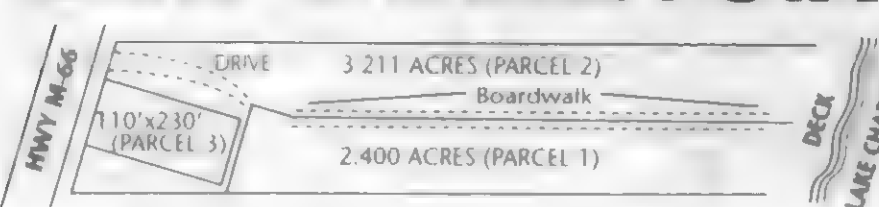
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Playing with fire

FIRE

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emitted a mean little crack, like a gunshot.

When Steve produced a six-foot length of PVC pipe intended to launch something with a name so sinister that I've blocked it from my memory, I escaped into the house.

Sitting alone on the couch was Steve's youngest son, Alex. "Don't you like fireworks?" I asked him.

He shrugged, avoiding eye contact with the stranger who'd married his uncle Mike.

A staccato eruption that could have been the soundtrack for Armageddon issued from the back yard. The ensuing screams were gleeful, and I relaxed a little before the next volley made me cover my ears.

"They're kind of scary to me," I said.

"Yeah."

"But your dad knows what he's doing. They'll be safe."

I wasn't sure if this was true. They seemed to be operating with alarming impunity. Why didn't somebody in the neighborhood call the police?

"Do you like any fireworks?" I asked him.

"Sparklers."

"Me too." I settled down at the opposite end of the couch with this simpatico kid.

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Bomber pilot back in skies after 67 years

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On Dec. 7, 1941 Paul Neumann, now 87, was enjoying being an ROTC student at the University of Michigan. The Army Air Corps had offered students the chance to join and finish college before they officially began service, so Neumann signed on. Three months later he was called up anyway.

After basic flight training and advanced bomber training the new Second Lieutenant was assigned to be the pilot of a B-24 Liberator bomber.

He and his crew were sent to Alaska's Aleutians Islands. While stationed in Alaska Neumann often flew B-25s like the Yankee Warrior during instrument flight training missions.

Neumann and his crew flew combat missions from the frigid Aleutians against Japanese naval targets in the Kurile Islands in the northern aspect of the Japanese chain of home islands. They were attacked often by Japanese fighter planes and damaged on several occasions. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his WWII service.



PHOTO BY STEVE WEST, NORTHERN ISLANDER

The B-25 Yankee Warrior is seen taking off from the municipal airport on Beaver Island. The plane was part of a historic visit to the island wherein a former B-24 bomber pilot had the chance to take a ride nearly 68 years after first taking over as a pilot.

"I like to say I dropped the last bombs of World War II," said Neumann.

He remained in the reserves after the war and enjoyed flying AT6 trainers, "all over Michigan."

He also returned to the University of Michigan and graduated.

He was recalled to duty during the Korean War in 1950,

with what was then the new United States Air Force.

He served in Montana and left the Air Force Reserves after the Korean War.

Neumann owned and operated a successful employee pension plan business before retiring. He owns a seasonal home on Beaver Island.

On June 26 through 28, the Yankee Warrior B-25 visited Beaver Island, offering tours of the historic aircraft and flights over the archipelago.

Neumann was honored on a special VIP flight on June 27. The plane's crew presented him with a commemorative medal honoring his service in World War II.

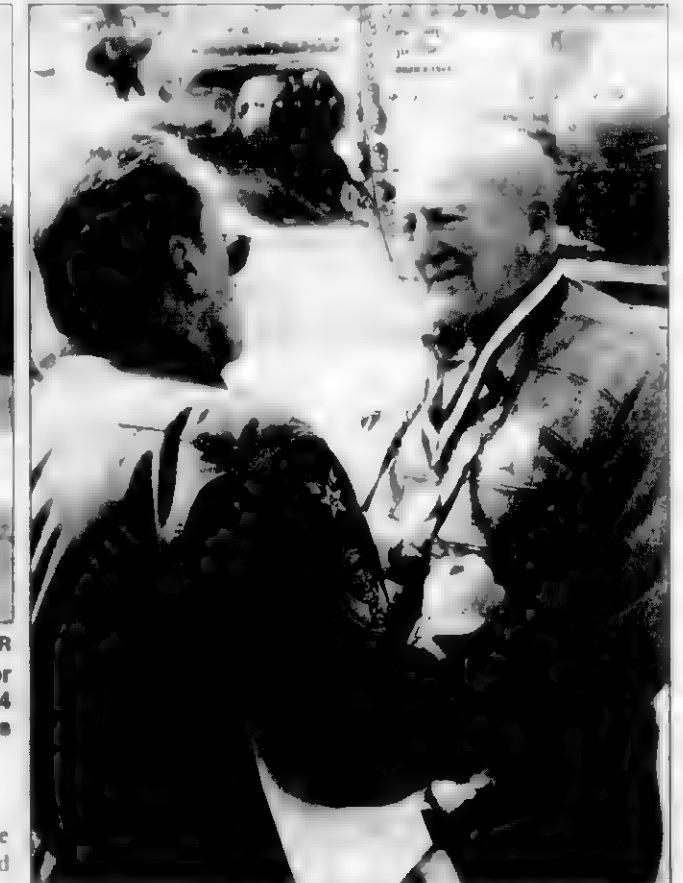


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Here former B-24 bomber pilot Paul Neumann is presented with a commemorative medal by the crew of the Yankee Warrior B-25. Neumann served flying over the Pacific Theater during World War II and even received the Flying Cross for his service.

PUBLIC LAND AUCTION

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EDITOR

If a parade is canceled but everyone still shows up, is it still not a parade?

That's what Horton Bay General Store owners plan to find out with their July 4 non-parade event at noon on July 4 in front of their store.

"We're just going to sit on the front porch and have a beer and wave at cars that go by," said Claudia Lorenger, co-owner of the store.

The Horton Bay Parade was canceled this year after long time organizers Sue and Bob Metzger stepped down from their role.

"People are a little unhappy

about it (no parade) but I actually feel pretty good about it," Lorenger said. "We weren't getting much help and finances are a little rough for everybody this year, so we're probably going to do it every other year until things get better."

Local resident Ron Willey said he won't let the lack of a parade prevent him from entertaining the crowd.

"At about noon a little group of people with instruments will be playing music in front of the general store," he said. "The last few times we marched and kind of posed as the ghost of Sousa and people got a kick out of it."

General store worker Tony Matthews said it will be the

ghost of the parade.

"We pride ourselves on being different," he said. "It's Horton Bay, so we've got to do something weird."

So far, Lorenger said, nearly 45 people have indicated they will attend the non-parade.

"If it isn't screwy, it isn't Horton Bay," she said.

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Kids to play music in garden

At 6 p.m. on Tuesday July 14, the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St., will host an art opening to view and experience their new addition to the Children's Garden.

Three interactive, outdoor instruments will be unveiled in the Children's Garden: an Acrophone, a Lithophone, and a Xylophone.

At Tinkertunes Music Studios, owned by Tom Kaufmann, the goal is to share the joy of making music and to provide opportunities for a musically enriching experience that will begin a lifetime of appreciation.

"Music educators have known for decades that we learn music in much the same way we learn language," Kaufmann said. "By giving a child an opportunity to start learning at a very young age, music becomes a child's 'native tongue.' Recent studies have demonstrated that music lessons for preschoolers can enhance their spatial intelligence, and increase their ability to grasp abstract mathematical concepts."

Tinkertunes, located in

Traverse City, is a music teaching facility which has provided private lessons in piano, and Educational Music Programs since 1995.

The three instruments in

stalled at the Charlevoix Library are made from three different types of material, so children will hear how the material can change the sound.

Litho is Greek for stone, and phone is sound, so a lithophone is a musical instrument made from stone.

The library's lithophone is made from recycled aban-

doned granite countertops and is tuned to the key of C, A=440.

Lithophones are one of the most ancient instruments, and in China the sound of stone is as elemental as metal or wood.

In Viet Nam a stone instrument called a "dan da" was found that is believed to be over 9,000 years old.

Western civilization didn't use stone for music until the 1840's.

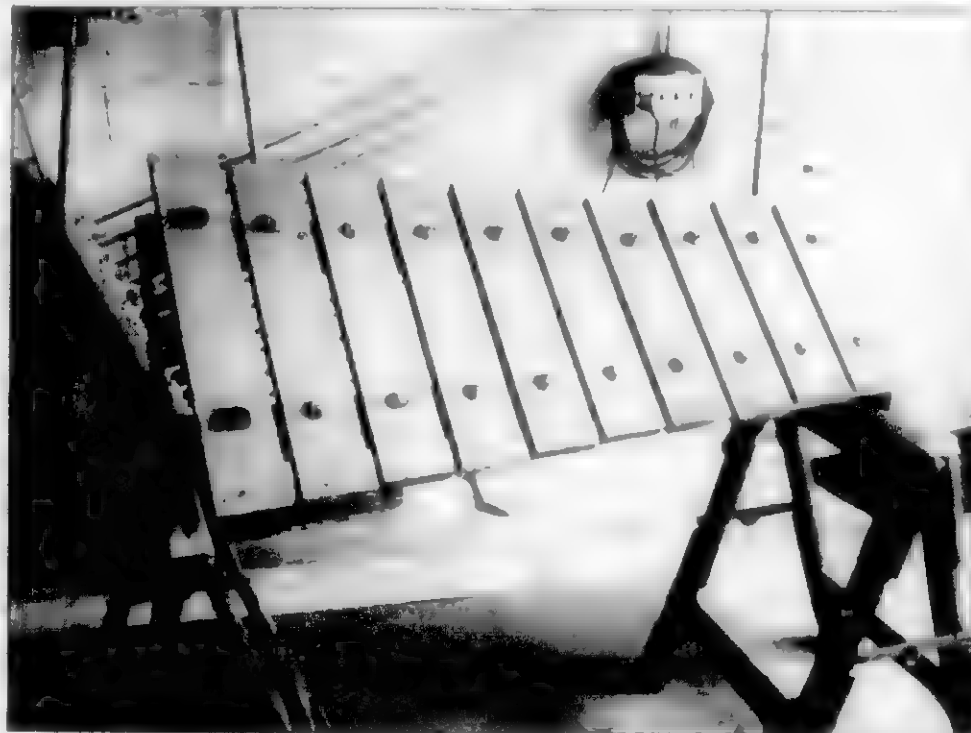
The Library's other two instruments are also made from recycled materials and

have very different sounds.

The xylophone is made from scrap lumber and the acrophone is made from PVC piping.

To come and try out the new musical additions to Grandma Geri's Children's Garden at the Charlevoix Public Library, stop by for the gala opening ceremony or during regular business hours.

For more information about this or other events at the library, call 237-7350 or visit the Web site at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.



Here the Charlevoix Library's lithophone is under construction. This will be among several musical instruments to be stationed outdoors in the children's garden feature at the library.

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Friday Night Fireworks

The two costliest (and non-revenue generating) events of the annual Charlevoix Venetian Festival are concerts and fireworks. Since the Venetian Festival is not a City event (although it could not be staged without the generous support of the City), and Venetian revenue generating opportunities are limited, concert and fireworks expenses are primarily funded through private contributions. An extensive fundraising campaign is launched annually by the volunteer based Venetian organization. Charlevoix has responded, year after year, with necessary financial support through the "Venetian Burgee Club," the community wing of Venetian sponsorship which now consists of approximately 300 individuals, organizations and businesses.

In light of such generous financial support, the volunteer organizers of Venetian have performed their labor of love for the community for the past 11 years, through the countless hours necessary to stage a world class festival. Although there is much community pride in the fact that the caliber of Venetian is equal to that of the National Cherry Festival, there are significant differences. Venetian has remained true to its roots as a homecoming celebration geared to friends, families and visitors with a common bond, our beloved town of Charlevoix. The Venetian Festival is also staged without full time paid staff, at one-tenth the expense of the Cherry Festival. The Cherry Festival additionally charges admission to the Open Space, while East Park remains free of charge for all to enjoy.

As a result of the limited revenue generating opportunities, the Venetian Board has called the question several times in the past few years as to whether the community wished to eliminate or maintain the Friday night fireworks display over Lake Charlevoix. Each time the overwhelming sentiment was to maintain the Friday fireworks, and the community continued to step forward with the necessary financial support to fund the fireworks.

In the midst of our current tough economic times, the Venetian Board is again required to call the question as to whether to stage the Friday night fireworks display in 2009. This question will ultimately be answered by whether sufficient financial contributions are received to fund the Friday fireworks. Since some Venetian donors have been unable to maintain their level of support in the current economy, additional supporters are needed, here and now, to join the ranks of those who are able and willing to maintain or increase their customary level of support.

In the meantime, the Festival is moving forward to obtain approval, on a tentative basis, for a Friday night fireworks display. Any such Friday night display could also be reduced in length and still be staged, if sufficient contributions are received. The Venetian Board will not, however, proceed with Friday fireworks unless it is able to maintain the sensational quality of past Friday night displays.

If you wish to maintain the 2009 Friday night fireworks display over Lake Charlevoix, please register your vote through your financial contribution accompanied by the attached Burgee Club enrollment form. Donations of all amounts are appreciated and necessary.

Giving resources back to our community is rewarding and is the true spirit of Venetian. We remain hopeful for a positive response, so that Charlevoix may again enjoy another sensational Friday night fireworks display and the heartwarming sense of community pride in a job well done.

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BY CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
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These days it seems everybody is going green—green homes, green schools, green hotels—all buildings constructed and designed to reduce the overall impact on the environment.

Iron Horse Farms on Wilson Lake near Ellsworth is taking the concept of green development even further with its new lake front development, comprised of three century-old farmsteads.

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Billed as a horse and land lovers dream, the green conscious, equestrian, waterfront community boasts 50 home sites, 26 of which rest peace-

fully along 9,000 feet of sparkling northern Michigan shoreline.

Gebhard invited families to, "come out and be protected ... walk, ride horses, snowshoe, kayak, cross-country ski, ice skate, fish, swim, canoe and hike."

The community plans to encourage ecologically-friendly development and low impact, green construction by requesting builders use non-toxic materials and reduce the impact on the natural environment.

The community will be free of motorcycle and motorized recreational vehicles in order to preserve the natural integrity of the land and protect its residents.

The newly completed community barn and stables incorporate green concepts as well, including skylights and ventilation systems through out, specifically designed to reduce energy usage and make optimal use of natural light and airflow.

The 24,000-square-foot facility—approximately half the size of a football field—utilizes geothermal technology to keep the barn warm in the winter and cool in the summer.

For people who want to see Iron Horse Farms, there will be a Kicking Out Cancer barn party from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on July 18 at the farm.

Tickets cost \$3, and proceeds will benefit Charlevoix Area Hospital's Circle of Strength. The event is geared toward families and outdoor enthusiasts of all ages.

Activities include a petting zoo for children, hay rides, art displays, a silent auction and live music.

Local restaurants will offer tastings, and guests will be free to explore and discover the property and all it has to offer.

Home sites are still available.

Visit www.ironhorsefarms.net for more information.



Evenings with Otis

Otis Pottery is celebrating this July 4 weekend with its 12th Annual Open House. Visitors are welcome to come all weekend long to view new pottery as well as an exhibition of two-dimensional art by Daniel Roache. Pottery owners David and June Otis have always enjoyed music as well as art, and twelve years ago they decided to start hosting Chamber Music concerts in their studio to merge the two interests. The art display is all day Friday and Saturday and from noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. At 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday there will be chamber music concerts with a third event at 4 p.m. on Sunday performed by the Northern Michigan Flute Choir. Otis Pottery is located one mile south of the Ironport Ferry on M-66 North. For more information, call (231) 536-7856 or visit www.otispottery.net for a map and directions. Pictured are Andrew, David and June Otis.

Thursday Evening Lecture Series

The Charlevoix Thursday Evening Lecture Series continues with The Evolution of Charlevoix's Leisure Places - From Private Resorts to Public Parks at 6:30 pm, July 9 at the library.

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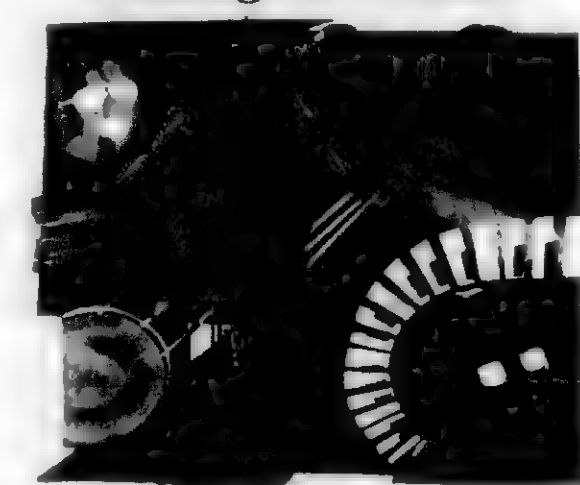
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Charlevoix physician receives 50 year pin

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NEWS-REVIEW

Dr. John Lignell, a physician who has been in family practice in Charlevoix since July of 1963, recently received his 50 year pin from the Michigan State Medical Society.

"When I moved here there were just three other doctors," the 75-year-old said. "I came up in the winter of '63 in a snow storm. My wife at the time bawled. She couldn't believe I'd leave Detroit to move to a town with 300 people."

Billie Wright, a patient for the past 44 years who started seeing Lignell just three months after he started practicing in Charlevoix, said she liked him when she first saw him and has been seeing him ever since.

"If he's puzzled over what's happening or if it's beyond what he thinks he can handle, he sends you to someone else," the 68-year-old said. "He also comes and checks on his patients no matter who's taking care of them."

Wright said Lignell is a good Christian man and doctor who has done a lot for the



Dr. John Lignell

community including her.

"I had to have surgery but my insurance wouldn't cover him being in operating room with me because he wasn't a surgeon. He came in with me anyway even though he didn't get paid and he saw me every day afterward un-

til I got home. He does that for all of his patients. A lot of people respect him," she said.

When Lignell arrived, he said it was evident that the area needed a doctor. There are six times as many doctors now as there were when

Lignell started and in the course of his practice, he's outlived the building he started in.

"I moved into a building that had offices for four doctors in 1967. When I left there two weeks ago, I was last doctor to leave out of that building. Several doctors came and went. I was the lone survivor. I was there the day it opened and I was there the day it closed," he said.

What Lignell said he's learned most in his years of practice is the change in treatment of medical problems — and he's still learning.

"Treatment has changed quite a bit. Years ago, if you came in with a heart attack, you'd be in the hospital for several days. Today they have pulmonary bypass and stents. Technology has also changed. With the use of im-

aging including CAT scans and MRI, it's easier to both diagnose and treat ailments," Lignell said.

As far as his practice, Lignell said he's enjoyed it through the years and continues to enjoy it.

"Helping people is why I started practicing," he said. "I enjoy people and I enjoy helping them."

Another reason Lignell chose to become a family physician? His father.

"My dad was a family doctor in Detroit," he said. "I used to go around with him when he made house calls. My dad was a huge reason in helping me decide to practice medicine. In fact, in sixth grade, I wrote an essay about wanting to be a doctor just like my dad."

The father of four adult children and grandfather of 10, all of whom he is very

proud of, Lignell said one of his best hobbies is traveling to visit members of his family.

"My other greatest hobby is singing," he said. "Right now I sing with the Little Traverse Choral Society in Petoskey and am a member of both the Charlevoix and the Bay View Men's Glee Clubs."

With 46 years of practice behind him, Lignell said he has no plans to retire soon.

"One reason I'm not retiring right now is that I don't know what I'd do with all this extra time, but I also love helping people," he said. "There are good people in this community who like to stay healthy and I like to keep them that way. I've seen a lot of families, have delivered a lot of babies and have made a bond with lots of families. That's another reason why I'm not retiring soon."

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Road Loan Okayed

ROAD

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county.

A second request for a road loan in recent months by advocates for Boyne City-Charlevoix Road reconstruction was not addressed during the meeting.

Saltonstall and fellow advocate Jerry Matelski had asked for a \$1 million loan from the county's delinquent tax fund, which is currently valued at nearly \$5 million.

"They left us off the agenda," Matelski said. "Apparently they don't want to have to worry about making that decision."



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Greg Hughee ran the booth for his wife who owns Lottie's Bagels. Hughee said his wife's business has taken off in the last several years since it began in Charlevoix. Hughee was one of nearly a dozen vendors at the opening of this year's farmers market series in downtown Charlevoix. For more information on the farmers market, call 547-2101.



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Summer SOLSTICE ART FAIR



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Noel Skiba of Rockford, paints a watercolor scene of Round Lake during the Summer Solstice Art Fair on Saturday, June 27.

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Jeremy Davidson and his wife Stacey of Jackson were up in Charlevoix during the annual Summer Solstice Art Fair to attend a wedding. Pictured with them are sons Tyler and Brock (front).



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Hundreds of visitors turned out for the 11th Annual Summer Solstice Art Fair in downtown Charlevoix. The two-day event on Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28, offered art from crafters, painters, photographers and jewellers.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS
Barb Nagle of Bags by "B" holds up one of her custom cigar box purses. It takes B 10 days to make one of her signature art pieces and sells them around the world.



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Charlevoix Harbor Master Hal Evans and his assistant Karl Way took a short break from their work on Saturday, June 27 to enjoy the view of Round Lake Harbor. Evans said the marina was completely full this past weekend.

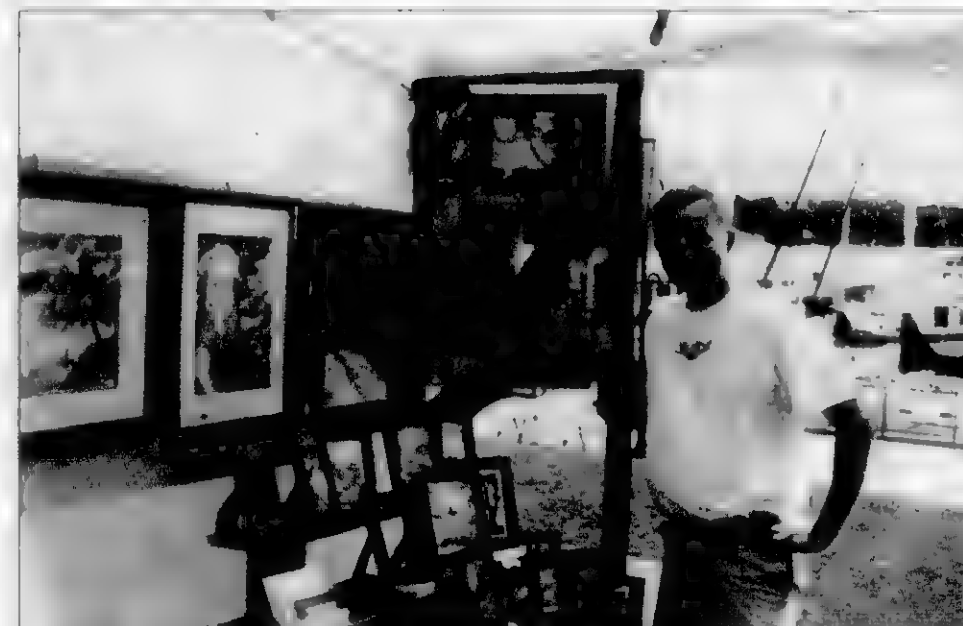


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Dan Smith of Smith's Craft Works shows off some of his paintings and crafts during the annual Summer Solstice Art Fair in East Park in downtown Charlevoix.



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Pam Peplinski of Designs by Pam offers one of her handmade necklaces adorned with what appears to be a small seashell. Peplinski said the shell is actually 100 percent glass created by Rebecca Vander Sys Poinsett, a glass worker.

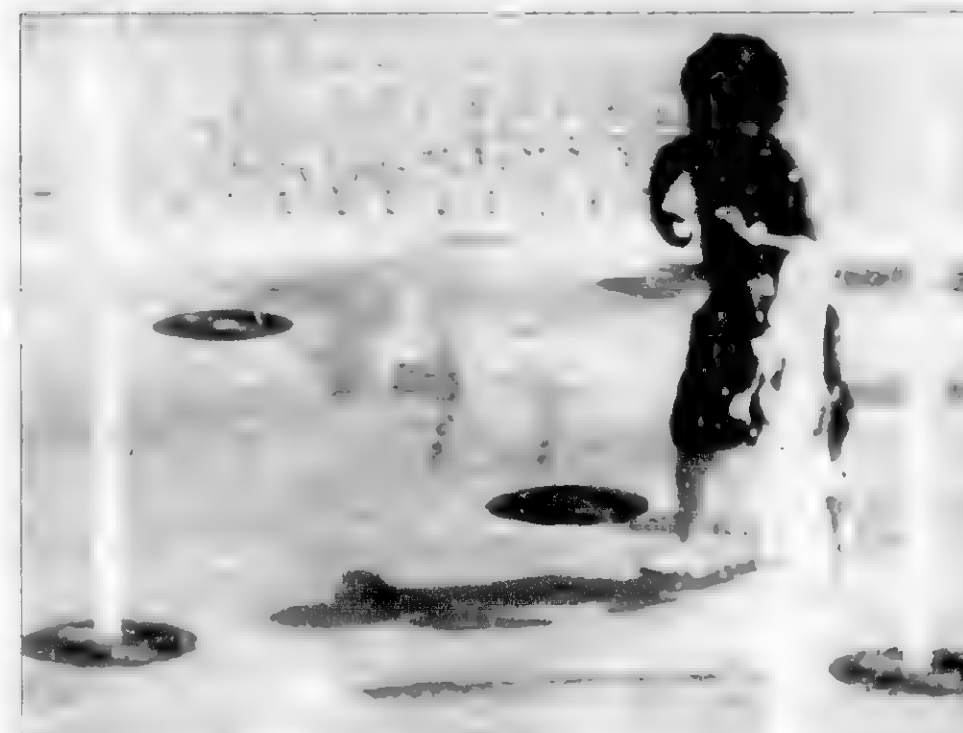


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Ben O'Neil of Brooklyn shows no fear as he runs through the interactive water fountain feature in East Park during the Summer Solstice Art Fair on Saturday, June 27.



This custom cigar box purse made by Barb Nagle of Bags by "B" features a Charlevoix scene. Nagle said she has even been commissioned to use portions of blankets from deceased pet beds to line cigar boxes which later held pictures of the lost pets.

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Artist Mik Colman of Charlevoix has been working on his craft for five years. He recently enjoyed an afternoon working plein air or "outdoors" at the summer home of Gary and Barbara Eisenberg.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Gary Eisenberg and Barbara Steele discuss the composition of Steele's artwork on Friday, June 26 at the Eisenberg home. Gary said the key to the horizon is the use of purple. The Eisenbergs host outdoor art sessions, also called "plein air" at no cost at their summer home in Boulder Park. For more information, call 547-9344.

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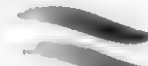


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be roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 90-mile excursion.

Being a poker run, a card will be given to each boat at each of their five stops, and the boaters will play their cards at the end of the day, with the best hands winning prizes.

Of course the Boyne Thunder Poker Run, as it always

has, benefits Camp Quality, a non-profit organization that provides special experiences and support for children with cancer and their families. With more than \$140,000 raised for Camp Quality since the event's inception, Boyne Thunder has become a staple of the community that people look forward to every year.

Card stops during the boat-

ers' journey across gorgeous Lake Michigan include Harbor Springs, Beaver Island and Bay Harbor. Along with the race, the weekend's festivities include a champagne cruise for people to get an up-close view of the speedsters, dinner in Veteran's Park on the lake as well as boat and car displays and music and fun into the evening in downtown Boyne

City.

The pairing of Boyne Thunder with Camp Quality is truly what makes this event special.

The goal of Camp Quality is to let children with cancer be children again, facilitate experiences and friendships and provide confidence for these special children and their families in a way that matters. Through donations

like the one being made by Boyne Thunder, Camp Quality is able to provide these things.

For more information about this great event, visit our Boyne Thunder Web site at www.boyneThunder.com.

You can also contact our Boyne Thunder office at (231) 582-9009, Chris Parks at (231) 675-5241 or e-mail mainstreet@boyneThunder.com.

Sign up for Charlevoix Blue Chip football camp

Kids from fourth to eighth grade can sign up now for the Charlevoix Blue Chip Football Camp.

The 2nd annual Charlevoix Blue Chip Football Camp will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on July 15 and 16 for students entering

grades four through eight.

The camp will be held at Charlevoix Middle School.

Camp check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

Director of the camp will be William Cleaver, a former St. Mary and Gaylord

High School head coach who compiled a 78 - 34 record the past 11 years.

The purpose of the camp is to develop football skills in all aspects of football: passing, catching, pass coverage, pass drops, blocking, tackling and position tech-

niques.

Pre-registration fee for camp is \$40, which includes a T-shirt.

Mail completed registration, including fee to P.O. Box 1171, Gaylord, MI 49734.

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Blue Chip Football Camp. Registration the day of camp is \$45.

\$5 from every registration goes toward Charlevoix's Pop Warner Program.

In addition to Cleaver, other present and former Gaylord High School,

Charlevoix High School and college coaches will be present.

Campers must bring gym shoes or football cleats and workout clothes.

For more information, contact William Cleaver at (989) 614-6026.



COMMITTEE PHOTO

The Charlevoix Reds are Jayden Begmann, Hudson Elowsky, Mason Louise, Daniel Nesburg, Mick Nesburg, Colin Pearson, Luke Teigenhof, Alana Tinsley, Marcus White and Carson Whitley. Coaches were Lew Campbell and Allen Teigenhof.

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The Charlevoix Astros are Jacob Archey, Jacob Cox, Matthew Good, Christopher Gregory, Boy Hang, Yogi Hang, Erik Oshaben, Jonathon Pischner, Michael Turcott, Vanniman Vanniman, Anna Zahner. Coaches were Al Gregory and Mike Turcott.



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The Charlevoix Dodgers are Luke Budey, Collin Davis, Hayden Dvoracek, Maxwell Holloway, Hunter Jensen, Jacob Mitchell, Jacob Petroskey, Collin Smith, Keon Taylor, Jacob Taylor and Montana Thompson. Coaches were Tim Petroskey and Brad Jensen.



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The Charlevoix Rays are Camden Alden, Vladimir Barnevaid, Elliot Bartell, Josh Carlson, Wesley Crandell, Raymond Cunningham, Bradley Klinger, Joe McCraney, Trevor Prev, Jacob Simmons and Collin Turkelson. Coaches were Todd Klinger, Chris Turkelson and Norman Carlson Jr.

Junior tennis lessons

The City of Charlevoix will be offering junior tennis lessons from ages 7 to 9 from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. on July 7.

From 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. there will be lessons for age 10 to 12 beginners.

From 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. there are lessons for intermediates of any age.

From 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. there are lessons for intermediate competitive of any age.

Lessons will be offered on Tues-

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Junior baseball wrap-up

CHRIS PARKS
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

As summer swings into high gear, more area youths than ever have taken to the baseball and softball diamonds, swinging for the fences and dreaming of making that game-saving catch.

With recreational leagues in Charlevoix, Boyne City and East Jordan, hundreds of children and teenagers across northern Michigan have had the opportunity to participate this year.

"We're at an all-time high in participation," said Brian Cerna, member of the recreational league board and coach in the 11 to 12 division. "We used to only have minors and majors (divisions), but now we've broken into three age groups."

Age groups run from 7 to 10 years up to 13 and 14 years and focus on different stages of player development, from early exposure to the game for younger players, to more skill focused play for advanced participants.

And while regular season play has concluded, All-Star tournaments pitting the top players in each town against other town's best have begun, starting last weekend.

One reason for the spike, Cerna

pointed out, may be the league's decision to use replica uniforms of professional teams instead of generic uniforms.

"Kids get an opportunity to be on a different team every year and collect different teams," he said.

This is also the first year in Charlevoix there have been two little league softball teams: one in the 11 to 12 years division and the other 13 to 14 years.

In East Jordan, player turnout has been increasing steadily in recent years as well.

According to Nikki Skrocki, member of East Jordan's league board, they have experienced an increase of more than 40 players this year compared to last.

"The success the past four years has contributed to the interest in the sport," she said. "It's a win-win, the more increase (in players) and interest, the better the player development."

East Jordan and Boyne City will be participating in the All-Star tournament as well.

Teams are selected by a coach vote of the best players on each team, and each age group participating will have teams of 11 to 14 players.

According to Skrocki, af-

ter player selection the newly formed teams practice for a couple of weeks before beginning the tournament.

Like Charlevoix, East Jordan also has organized leagues for girls' softball. The softball teams compete against teams from other cities during their regular season, unlike the majority of boys' baseball teams because of fewer participants in the immediate area.

Along with Charlevoix and East Jordan, Boyne City experienced another successful regular season of recreational league baseball and softball as well.

With nearly 300 participants, the league has maintained a consistent amount of players for the past few years according to Al Aown, Boyne City's chief of umpires, vice-president of both the major and junior boys' divisions and board member.

Aown said this year the decision was made to divide the league differently, which resulted in more teams.

Decreasing the 11 to 12 years division but increasing the 9 to 10 years division maintained the same amount of players, but produced more teams, and

ultimately more competition.

Perhaps the most important aspect of the summer baseball and softball leagues for the youths that participate, coaches said, is that they have fun and gain experience.

According to board members from all three cities, all the leagues were quite competitive this year, insuring players always had a chance to win.

"Typically, it's right down to the last game," Cerna said about the regular season. "It's very competitive." He also added Charlevoix leagues utilize a draft system so teams are evenly balanced to ensure no one team dominates a league.

Aown also said the Boyne City leagues have been competitive and balanced this year, something that has become the standard over the years.

"I think (the competition) is pretty consistent year to year," he said.

Aown also cited the amount of games they play within their own divisions for the balance in competition.

East Jordan league president Ruby Dipzinski also said all the teams in her league were evenly matched.



COURTESY PHOTO

The Charlevoix Rangers are Spencer Bruce, Jared Cole, Noah Dvoracek, Turner Havens, Justin Pearl, Alex Kleiber, Luke Klinger, Devin Largent, Austin Putman, JJ Wachler and Zachery Wynkoop. Coaches were Chris Havens and Chris Putman.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured are the Muckdogs, in no particular order, Drew Barger, Andrew Baten, Addison Bemis, Ella Gaffney, Aaron Haynes, Anne Joy, Benjamin Lantz, Caleb Pittman, Thomas Rudolph, Blaise Snabes, Jacob Snyder and coaches Jim Bemis and Mark Snyder.

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Besides taking on captain positions for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and Charlevoix's Petunia Planting, LaLone volunteers for her Hometown Ellsworth's Pig Roast event! Expanding her Hometown Community from Ellsworth to her Charlevoix office, LaLone is currently Lions' Secretary and actively working on their July 9 golf outing at the Charlevoix Belvedere Club. This event raises money for the Lions in their mission to help the blind. The Lions Golf Outing, starting at 12:30 p.m., features their renowned grilled chicken. For more information see Cheryl at Charlevoix's Hometown Community Bank.

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Puzzling over P-stones

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

It all started when Matt and Lisa Claffin were enjoying a cozy night at home with their sons, Jacob, 5 and Nathan, 3. Matt was working on a puzzle and Lisa and the boys were poring over the family's collection of Petoskey stones.

"A Petoskey stone jigsaw puzzle would be cool," Lisa said. It was an observation that has quickly developed into an enterprise.

Matt and Lisa put the idea into production, aptly naming their new venture "Puzzles That Rock."

"We searched the Web

looking for something similar," Lisa said. "There wasn't anything like it."

Calling in the talents of friends—a local photographer and a graphic designer to help realize their concept for the product and packaging—the idea was soon ready for production. They researched various options available for rendering the photo into jigsaw pieces.

"One of the first places we looked at charged \$60 per puzzle," Lisa said. "We had to find a way to make the price point realistic."

They eventually located a company in Indiana that could do the job for a reasonable fee.

"We've pre-sold 70 cases," said Matt.

This was on the strength of the prototype kept on display

in their small specialty grocery store Sonny's Ironton Market on M-66, just west of the Ironton Ferry.

The first run of the finished product is due for delivery. The name Petoskey is said to have been derived from a wealthy fur trader, Petovegay, who married an Ottawa Indian princess.

The name means "Rising Sun" or "Rays of Dawn." And, "Rising Sun" is the first in a titled series of puzzles that the couple plans to release over the next few years.

The photographic image is of an artfully arranged bounty of the coveted fossils.

The photo captures the honeycombed design and subtle diversity of color and pattern

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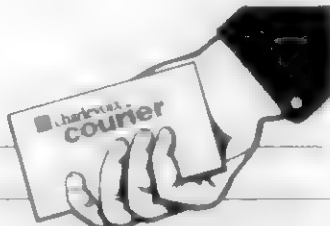


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Nathan and Jacob Claffin (from left) help their mom Lisa showcase "Puzzles That Rock." Lisa and her husband Matt said they had a novel idea that snapped into place when they decided to create a Petoskey Stone puzzle and other rock-related merchandises.

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LETTERS to the editor

Continued from page 5
Still searching for the fountain of youth

Editor:
I was so pleased to see that our city recognized the need to have family-friendly activities when designing the new park/marina...more specifically, the interactive fountain.

I must admit, when I first saw children playing in it I was shocked to see that it was allowed, as it seemed to go against Charlevoix's stereotypical, ever-emergent, uptight reputation.

Then, when attempting to take my 2-year-old son to play in it last night after work, I was hit with the reality that my initial response was more accurate.

He, along with about eight other disappointed children, stared at grates in the concrete waiting for a bubble of water to emerge signaling the start of the fountain; or as my son calls it, the volcano.

After questioning a few other baffled parents, I spotted a sign hanging from a rope.

According to the sign, children are only allowed to play in the fountain from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This, for most of us tax-paying, blue-collar locals is when we are working to support our families; hence, our children cannot enjoy the fountain during these times.

I read further to discover that the fountain is closed from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. out of respect for our marina guests.

Apparently, the sound of children's laughter and excitement is disrespectful at this specific time of the day...the same time of day when we should not be encouraging our marina guests to be sitting idle in their boats, but rather be out dining in our area restaurants, supporting our community.

The signage stated that the fountain then goes into display mode from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., where once again the ropes go up, and children are not allowed to play.

How heartbreaking it is to see the potential that this fountain could have in the community, but doesn't, due to the apparent inconvenience it poses...the inconvenience of happy children Sarah Sheaffer Charlevoix

Indoor ice rink

Editor:
Do you need something to do in the winter? Charlevoix should have an indoor ice rink! Then nobody would have to be bored in the winter.

Every one could participate in all the activities an indoor ice rink in Charlevoix promotes!

For instance, it might be too far for you to drive to one of the closest rinks, in Petoskey or Gaylord. See, Gaylord is about 36 miles away, and Petoskey is about 19 miles away from the town of Charlevoix.

So maybe you cannot afford gas money or just want to spend your money on something else.

Another problem with driving to either of these places is that you might not have enough time to get there and you would be late or not have enough time to get there in the first place.

Furthermore, an indoor ice rink in Charlevoix would help people to be active in the winter. Sports such as hockey are pretty popular in Northern Michigan. Figure Skating would also be profitable. Other things like Drop-in, leagues, open skate, classes, and learn to skate would help as well.

Finally, the last reason Charlevoix should have an indoor ice rink is leagues, so people could come and play an organized sport. In support of this, it would be good for kids to play sports such as hockey or figure skating.

Also, if a kid needs something to do after school, an ice rink would be the perfect option. Let's see, hockey, not only is it good exercise, but people of all ages can play.

There are leagues for kids,

mates, squirts, pee-wees, bantams, and high school. Also there is men's league where people over a certain age go and play hockey. Figure skating, people have trainers and they teach them how to figure skate.

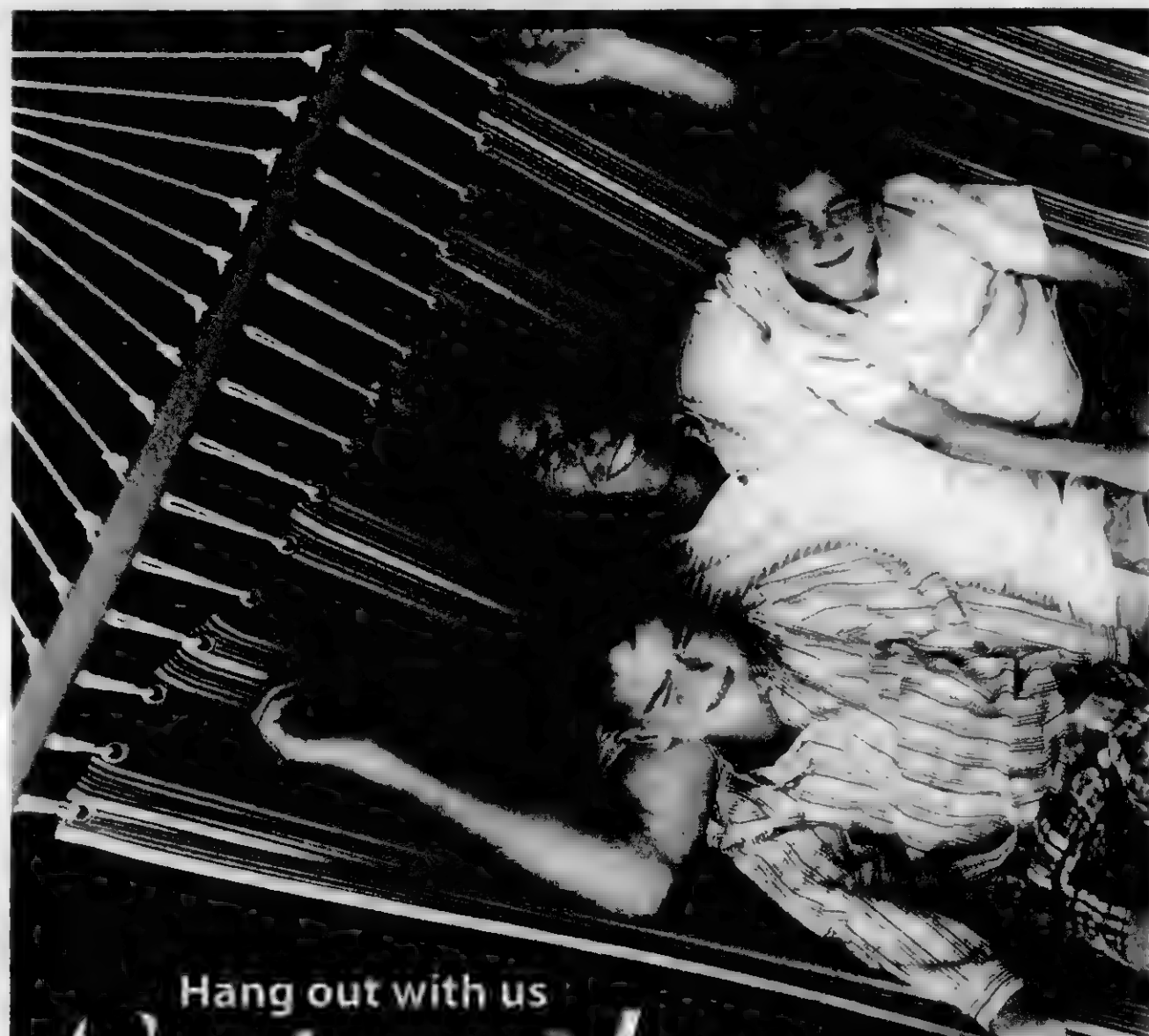
If it's a good experience and if for any reason you can't leave Charlevoix to skate then you completely miss out.

This and all of the reasons above, is why Charlevoix needs an indoor ice rink!

Alexis Smith Sixth grade student, Charlevoix Middle School



COURTESY PHOTO
The Charlevoix Tigers are Keenan Borths, Hunter Cox, Jamey Eakes, Shayn Galy, Garrett Lundteigen, Adam Michaud, Andrew Michaud, Nate Moon, Jake Seger, Will Telgenhof, John Witherspoon, Brandon Castle-Cleese. The coaches were Ron Cox, Dan Cox and Erik Lundteigen.



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Wednesday, July 1, 2009

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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays in June and September through December at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in July and August. A DVD and book on Earl Young are also available. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend.

The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library.

in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open

1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Circle of Arts

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

ONGOING

Odmark dedication singer search

The Odmark Pavilion Committee is looking for former students and friends of Clarence Odmark's to sing in a Community Chorus for the dedication of the Odmark Pavilion on July 7. Odmark is remembered for his outstanding instrumental music program at Charlevoix.

Public Schools but he also directed Charlevoix High School's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus, as well as the choir at the First Congregational Church for many years. Rehearsals are in the Charlevoix Middle School hand room. Call Ev Wujcik at 547-6376, Steve Kroll at 547-2074 or Leslie Cunningham at 547-2145 for more information.

Currently

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Ber-

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Jigsaw puzzle

STONES

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Matt and Lisa have already augmented their line of puzzles by adding bookmarks, postcards, greeting cards and prints featuring the same "Rising Sun" image.

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ed message inside is "You Rock."

Lisa grew up in Northern Michigan and has been an avid rock collector for as long as she can remember.

Matt, originally from New Hampshire, met Lisa when they were both spending a summer in Maine, working with troubled teens.

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wick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League

Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 4

Art on display

New Works by pastel artist Jerry Power at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South. Call 547-2333 or go to www.cyclingsalamander.com.

JULY 4

Cherry Pie

The rededication ceremony of the first world's largest cherry pie, made in May 1976, listed among the top 20 national bicentennial events will be held at 2 p.m. on July 4 at Charlevoix Township Fire Hall, U.S. 31 south, Charlevoix.

The ceremony is to honor Connor Currier who chose to completely refurbish this site as his Eagle Scout Project for the B.S.A.

For further information or questions, call David Phillips at 547-4045.

Independence Day parade

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1153 invites everyone to participate in the 4th of July Parade and Ceremonies.

Assembly of parade and participants will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday on East Garfield Street at the American Legion Post 226. Step off is at 10 a.m. onto Bridge St. heading north.

We will have a brief stop at Veterans Park, then on to East Park Stage.

Lineup of the march is as follows.

Charlevoix City Police car, World War II two-ton 6x6 troop carrier truck, combined color guard of VFW and American Legion, combined Women's Auxiliary VFW and American Legion, and community groups and children.

Art demonstration

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Bier Art Gallery will be hosting a weekend art demonstration, Saturday July 4 and Sunday July 5, six miles

south of Charlevoix at the red and white schoolhouse. Meet and talk with working artists; refreshments will be available.

Registration for the Venetian Festival Golf Tournament/Keith Carey Cup is now underway at the Charlevoix Golf Club. All entrants must be at least 12 years old and living within the Charlevoix area code of 49720 or be a season pass holder. Divisions this year are student, men, senior men, and ladies.

Entry fee is \$10. Deadline for registration is Saturday, July 4. Play begins the week of July 5.

For more information contact the Charlevoix Golf Club at 547-3268.

JULY 6, AUG. 3

Summer Folk Concert Series

At 7 p.m. see Will and Ann Rolland for a one-hour concert in the Community Room. Following is a "jam session" for all who bring an instrument to this free event at the library.

JULY 7

Tennis lessons

The City of Charlevoix will be offering junior tennis lessons from ages 7 to 9 from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. on July 7.

From 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. there will be lessons for age 10 to 12 beginners.

From 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. there are lessons for intermediates of any age.

From 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. there are lessons for intermediate competitive of any age.

Lessons will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from July 7 to Aug. 13 at the Charlevoix City Tennis Courts.

The cost is \$75 for the six-week session.

There is a family discount of \$50 for a second child to register.

JULY 10

Get Symphony tickets now

Get your tickets to the Symphony on the Green in support of Charlevoix Area Hospital's health education and outreach programs.

Tickets are \$125 each and include dinner, music, dancing, cocktails and more.

The event is July 10 at the Pelican Airways hangar on

US 31 South.

This year's theme is "Swing: Get Down and Boogie-Woogie." Call 547-8501 for more information.

JULY 13

Mr. Art Critic — showing of the feature-length comedy starring Bronson Pinchot followed by afterglow reception with filmmaker, Rich Brauer. The film, which is appropriate for all ages, was shot in Traverse City and on Mackinac Island. The event is free and open to the public. Donations appreciated. Showing is 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. July 13 in Charlevoix Public Library community room A.

JULY 17

Men's chorus

At 12:30 p.m. on Friday, July 17, the Charlevoix Men's Chorus will be performing at the library. Program will include show tunes, spirituals, folk songs, calypso, gospel, oldies, barber shop and more. Guests are welcome to bring a bag lunch to this free event. Lemonade will be provided.

JULY 17 AND 18

Car show

The Charlevoix Street Legends hosts their 17th annual classic car show on July 17 and 18.

The event kicks off with a free concert featuring the Fabulous Oldies but Goodies '50s and '60s rock n roll band at 7 p.m. on July 17 in East Park's new bandshell for the Friday Night Cruise-In.

Registration for the car show begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 18; the show begins at 10 a.m. in East Park. More than 30 prize categories for trucks, cars and motorcycles and additional trophies will be awarded.

An auction to benefit Camp Quality will also be held at 3 p.m.

Visit www.streetlegends.net or e-mail bmoran0016@aol.com for more information.

JULY 22

Start a business

Classes on how to start a business are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance including July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or e-mailing

info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

AUG. 3

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at 6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Call 237-7340 for more information.

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr



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July Fourth Parade

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Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

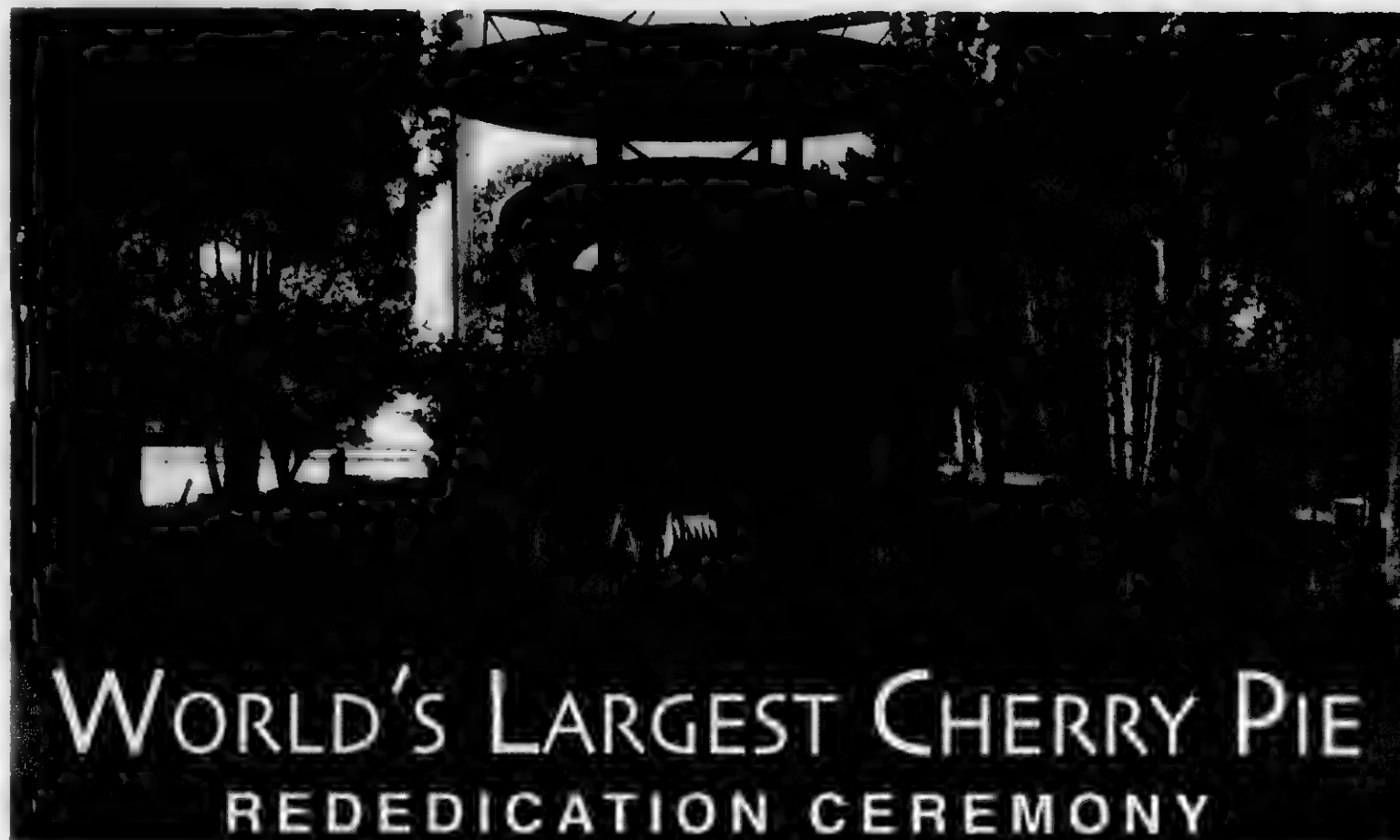
Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



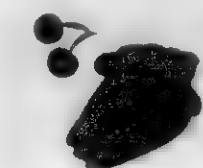
WHEN: July 4, 2009

WHERE: Charlevoix Township Fire Hall, US 131 S., Charlevoix, MI

WHAT: Rededication ceremony of the FIRST WORLD'S LARGEST CHERRY PIE, made in May 1976, listed among the top twenty National Bicentennial events. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and at 2:00 p.m. a flag raising ceremony with the US flag which the site has never had before along with a Fireman's flag for those who died while on duty. We especially will enjoy honoring Connor Currier of Troop 1812, Mackinaw Island Governor's Honor Guard and Troop 11 of Charlevoix sponsored by the Charlevoix Kiwanis Club for 70 years, who chose to completely refurbish this site as his Eagle Scout Project for the B.S.A.



We would like to thank Dave Phillips, Jack Malpeli and John Haggard, just to name a few along with the entire Charlevoix Community for all your support. Without all of you this would not have been possible.



"A Big Thank You To Dave Phillips for the creation of the World's Largest Cherry Pie and Connor Currier for choosing to refurbish the pie for his Eagle project" Chris, Maura, Nicolas, Alexandria and Blaise Snabes

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Fountain of youth fracas

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

It may not have caused a geyser of tears, but some area residents are upset over operation of Charlevoix's Fountain of Youth.

The interactive water fountain in Charlevoix's East Park was supposed to be for children to play in on hot summer days, but some parents say the fountain has been shut off when they arrive.

"I was down there with family and friends and the hours said 5 p.m. to 11 p.m., we were down there for 10 minutes at about 8:10 p.m., and by 8:30 p.m. it was turned off," said Jani Miller. "We



July fourth celebration

Days of cold and rainy weather subsided just in time for the July 4 parade in downtown Charlevoix last Saturday. The procession included veteran soldiers, patriotic music and even an authentic military vehicle. For more July 4 pictures, see pages 13, 14, 15, 16.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

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Boats, beaches and the big screen
79th Venetian Festival expands days, activitiesBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Whether you're looking forward to old favorites like the carnival and fireworks, or new events like the Aqua-palooza party at Ferry Beach, the 79th Annual Venetian Festival has it all.

In addition to increasing the number of days this Venetian Week, there are also some new events and musical acts on the

roster.

"The biggest new twist this year is the Venetian Beach Bash at Ferry Beach," said Venetian Festival Board President Dan Barron. "The Venetian board chose to parlay that venue by adding a concert performance on the pier at Ferry Beach."

In addition to boaters, waders in the water surrounding the pier, there will be musical performances by the band DeHurri

cane out of Chicago.

The event will kick off at 3:30 p.m. and last until 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 18.

Parties are welcome to bring their beverages of choice by land or sea, and a concession stand will be on-site for hungry patrons.

"It's basically going to be an on-the-water party," said Irish Boat Shop Vice-president Jack Hodge. "Aqua-palooza is the world's largest on-water celebration, and it

goes on for a couple weeks in July all across the country."

Irish is helping organize the event since they decided to sponsor the band.

"Anybody who wants to party and anybody who enjoys reggae, calypso-style music should come out for a good, fun time for all," he added.

For more information on the Aqua-palooza, visit www.aquapalooza.com.

A mainstay of Venetian week is Kid's Day.

"We've found that Lake Michigan beach has been a fantastic venue for kid's day," Barron said.

He added, "Not only will kids day return to Lake Michigan, but we will also see the return of the elephant Baby Laura."

Kid's Day is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 23.

Free activities include, but are not limited to, Ragamuffin Theatre performances.

Kookie the Clown, petting zoo, bubble land, sack races, hoola-hoop contests, bean bag toss, face painting, free popcorn and balloon.

Paid activities are \$8 for a wristband and include a ride on Laura the elephant, pony rides, craft-making, inflatable play area, Mongo the mechanical bull and the Rayder jump house.

Kid's Day also extends to See VENETIAN, page 21

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BIRTHS

William Christopher Christensen weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces on June 24, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Chris and Sara Christensen of Boyne City. His sibling is Lauren Richards. His Grandparents are Bill and Lynda Christensen and Kathleen David both of Boyne City and Jan and Arlene Coveyou of Petoskey.

Madison Christine Fiedorek weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces was born June 26, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to John Paul and Amanda Christine Fiedorek of Charlevoix. Her sister is Alexa Hope Gundon. Her grandparents are Kelly Dunlop and John Fiedorek, both of Charlevoix, and Mike and Carla Filkins of Cadillac. Her great-grandparents are Pat Drost and Jerry Drost both of Charlevoix.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Reflections Day Spa, 110 Clinton St., Charlevoix, by Judith Anne Kline.

Sleepy Shores Chapel, 1562 Sleepy Hollow Lane, Eveline, by Albert Z. Frost.

Quality Service, 924 2nd St., Boyne City, by David W. Lorange.

Seven Petals Yoga, 01250 Snyder Road South, Boyne City, by Rebecca Andrews.

Pay it Forward, 27890 Barney's Lake Road, Beaver Island, by Elizabeth McCafferty.

PleasureHorse.com, 1600 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, by M. Chris Leese.

Sole Bello Tans, 119 Antrim St., Charlevoix, by Chris Roman.

Tracy Roberts Painting and Drywall, 722 State St., East Jordan, by Tracy Roberts.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Paul Brandt Dysart, 25 and Katrina Ellen Pahn, both of Fairfax, Va.

Matt Edward Evans, 31 and Ellen-Grace Elizabeth Foltz, 25, both of Charlevoix.

Jason Daniel Lewellen, 30 and Donna Ellen DesRochers, 24, both of Charlevoix.

William Joseph Hutchison, 63 and Kathy Dolores Hutchison, 51, both of Walloon Lake.

David Thomas O'Neill, 26 and Lindsey Marie Norton, 25, both of Lakewood, Ohio.



Feindt Award winner

Samantha Higdon, (third from left) a 2009 graduate of East Jordan High School, was named the winner of this year's Mary Feindt Memorial Scholarship offered by the Charlevoix Area Zonta. The Mary Feindt Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a female high school senior who plans to pursue a math or science-related major in college. The scholarship recipient is chosen based on financial need and her involvement and interest in the math and/or science fields, excluding the medical field. Higdon was chosen as the Charlevoix Area Zonta winner because she best exemplified the spirit of, and requisites for, the scholarship. She will be attending the Michigan Technological University in the fall to pursue an Environmental Science/Biology major. She has taken advanced science and math courses and attended a Biology college course on Beaver Island and attended a science class in Boyne City when there were no other science courses offered at her school. She also has participated in numerous community and school-sponsored volunteer projects and events. Zonta is a worldwide service organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women. The Mary Feindt Award is one of the many programs for young women sponsored by Charlevoix Area Zonta. Applications for next year's award will be available from Charlevoix Area Zonta in early spring, 2010.

COURTESY PHOTO

No DQ for Wynkoop judge

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix's 90th District Judge Richard May remains on the violation of public trust case despite attempts to have him removed.

An opinion issued by Traverse City Judge Philip E. Rodgers Jr. on June 25, denied accused Wayne Wynkoop who filed motions to have May disqualified for apparent bias in favor of the special prosecutor on the case.

"The defendant is required to show actual bias. The defendant has failed to meet his burden," Rodgers stated. "Furthermore, this case is set for a jury trial. Judge May will not be the fact finder. He will not be assessing the credibility of witnesses."

He added, "As in any jury trial, the jurors will be instructed to absolutely disregard any impression they may have regarding the judge's personal opinions about the case."

Wynkoop filed the first motion to have May disqualified back on May 12.

Wynkoop's motion argued the charges that he violated the public trust by selling gravel to the Charlevoix County Road Commission, which later used the gravel to work on at least one road in Norwood Township where he was supervisor, were unconstitutional selective prosecution.

Wynkoop claimed his political enemies instigated the matter.

He also questioned whether May could, without bias, oversee a case where his colleague

Charlevoix 33rd Circuit Judge Richard Pajtas may be called as a witness.

Pajtas is a neighbor to Wynkoop and husband to an opponent of Wynkoop's long-disputed limestone quarry.

Wynkoop also claimed May and the special prosecutor presented an "unseemly public display of solidarity" during the May 12.

According to Wynkoop, the prosecutor approached the bench and shook hands with May.

According to May's affidavit on the matter, his mother had recently died and the prosecutor was offering condolences.

The charges of violating the public trust stem from 2007, when Wynkoop was still Norwood's supervisor.

In March, 2007, Wynkoop bid to sell gravel to the Charlevoix County Road Commission contingent upon his receiving a special use permit to operate his mine.

On May 21, 2007, Wynkoop recused himself from voting on a measure to approve road work on Lakeshore Road in Norwood Township citing a possible conflict of interest on the gravel.

Wynkoop received his special use permit to operate his gravel mine on July 9, 2007.

Wynkoop then sold \$21,606.80 worth of road gravel to the Charlevoix County Road Commission, some of which was used on Lakeshore Road.

The 90-day, \$500 misdemeanor charge came after a complaint was made by the lawyer for the Norwood Township Citizens for Health and Safety—a group which opposes Wynkoop's sand and gravel operation Norwood Limestone Mine LLC.

Judge May will next hear Wynkoop's motion to quash the complaint at 1:30 p.m., July 16 in Charlevoix's District Court.

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Chief Muma honored

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Chief Allen L. Muma (right) was honored by the Verde Valley American Legion in June by being awarded the Verde Valley Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Chief Muma was selected from nominations from surrounding departments by the American Legion and was honored along with a fireman and EMS officer at a dinner held at the Cottonwood American Legion. Chief Muma was recognized for his dedication to the citizens of Jerome and for his volunteer work in the community. Muma is currently the longest seated police chief in Jerome's history. His parents are Earl and Alice Muma of Charlevoix. Chief Muma was a Charlevoix County Deputy from 1986 to 1988.

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Where do we go from here?

A question I've asked myself lately since hearing and reading about death notices on TV and on line.



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Maybe it's because I've reached an age in my life where comments like "who died" and "what's the weather report" are common place.

Is it me or did June seem like a month in which we lost a lot of people to cancer and other medical reasons?

Summer is a time to be living life to its fullest.

I want to die doing something I enjoy doing.

Sleeping is a top choice followed by napping.

Unfortunately I have a few fears about leaving the present

world that I haven't come to grips with yet. I'd really miss a good glass of wine and the hugs from family and friends I dearly love.

I'd miss the firsts in each grandchild's life and the sound of them laughing.

I like to focus on living and enjoy each day as it comes.

Problems eventually work themselves out and bad days make you appreciate the good ones all the more.

Whenever another well known person is reported to have died, my visits with patients in the hospital and my own experiences with family quickly come to mind.

Though the thought of death is not appealing, I need to remind myself that when our souls leave our body there is peace, contentment and the ability to see things clearly as our lives pass by like a slide show.

I say this with conviction after speaking with a myriad of medical personnel who on a daily basis have witnessed a soul leaving a body and recalling what someone said once

they had been medically dead and returned to life moments later.

I've listened to nurses discuss their seeing a blue colored light emanating from someone's chest when the patient has died.

I've read numerous comments about deceased family members greeting a person who is dying but for whatever reason the patient returns to life and recalls information of their own passing in detail.

I've met with mediums that mention feeling, hearing and sometimes seeing the presence of those that have passed.

It should bring some peace of mind listening to others share their personal story of family and friends who have faced a near death experience.

What is this next journey like?

Is there a heaven, a hell, a purgatory or limbo?

Sometimes I feel like those places are right here on earth.

Again, I need to make a note to myself that our presence here on earth is a mere blink of an eye time wise and we

will all face a time when we will come in the presence with a greater being and review the good, the bad and the ugly.

When God has decided our time on the parking meter will no longer take another nickel we ask for forgiveness and spend our time trying to help those left behind.

It's nothing to fear.

If it is my time to find this light so many talk about, maybe I can continue working in the next life as an angel helping those that have lost their way.

I never was one who could sit still for long and I know there is probably a do list waiting for me in the after life.

Our future beyond this threshold depends in part on the way in which we have lived this life.

Information has been compiled describing hell as well as heaven recorded by individuals who have had near death experiences. Interview after interview concluded with a consensus that once someone was declared dead, these individuals found their senses

WEEKLY POLL
Should Charlevoix County create a land bank to buy and sell real estate?
Yes (7 Votes, 19%)
No (29 Votes, 81%)

This week's poll question:
Your vote will decide which movie plays for the first-ever "Venetian Vision" in East Park on Monday, July 20.

• E.T. The Extraterrestrial • Ghostbusters
• Raiders of the Lost Ark • Grease

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intact, their bodies feeling healthy and whole.

They also felt frustration. They spoke but were not heard and were unable to experience the feeling of touch.

These individuals also discussed the ability to travel to other places just by thinking about where they would like to be.

Knowing this information can bring about a change in your behavior and hopefully reduce any of your fears of dying or dealing with the loss of someone you care so much

about. If you are interested in reading more on this topic, Dr. Melvin Morse, a pediatrician wrote "Closer to the Light" after interviewing his young clients who honestly spoke only as a child could about their near death experiences.

Another excellent author on this topic is Dr. Kenneth Ring, a well respected psychiatrist who can settle the mind of any skeptic with his clear factual information.

Until my next article; enjoy life, each and every moment in this world and in the next.

Merely adequate not good enough

I spent about 30 years in the nuclear power industry, and for much of that time my job was to find and fix problems before they turned into accidents.



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

The work was equal measures of nuclear safety, quality assurance, and risk mitigation, and my effectiveness was often measured in terms of what did not go wrong.

The most frustrating part of my job was trying to convince people that it was worth their time and trouble to prevent an obvious problem.

There just seems to some part of the human condition that is willing to plod along doing nothing to prevent something that's likely to happen.

We are a people willing to take risks we don't have to take, and we are prone to pretend the risk is much less than it really is.

I remember one power plant, for example, that had two identical water systems, systems A and B.

Each system was a maze of pumps and pipes running to and fro in a big room, and each system had dozens of valves for operators to open or close to send

water all over the plant.

The problem: nothing was labeled or marked. That meant no one really knew for certain whether they were operating the right pump or twisting the right valve.

I saw this piping puzzle as an accident waiting to happen, but while plant management agreed a mistake was possible they insisted it was highly unlikely. They used three of the most common excuses for not doing what needs to be done: nothing has ever gone wrong before; we've always done it that way; and that won't happen to me.

Two weeks later an operator got mixed up in the unmarked maze, and opened the wrong valve. A lot of water poured into a place it should never have

gone.

At times like that you realize nobody wants to hear "I told you so."

You can also see throughout our personal lives this odd reluctance to prevent problems by avoiding what we know to be risky behavior.

Despite the documented perils of tobacco use, for example, last year Americans lit up \$40 billion worth.

Smokers shell out big bucks per pack knowing that sooner or later they'll suffer heart attack, cardio-vascular damage, emphysema, stroke or cancer.

And despite the certain benefits of wearing safety belts and strapping kids into car seats, it takes the threat of a state police ticket to move people to click it

Government, which is supposed to be of, by, and for the people, doesn't have any better track record. Historically, regulations and controls are only put in place after an accident. We get serious about fixing aged bridges or replacing old gas lines only after they fall down or blow up. We only think about regulating banks and financial institutions after the economy tanks.

And as for private industry, we see that airlines get highly motivated to make the recommended upgrades to their fleet only after one drops out of the sky, and toy makers somehow never get around to checking on what Chinese manufacturers put into toys until after our kids get sick.

In college we called the idea of doing just well enough to squeak

by "2.5 and survive." It was a statement that a person was striving for mediocrity and had no intention of doing their best to invest in themselves or their own future. The intentionally underperforming "2.5 and survive" student had given up on doing their best or achieving their full potential.

Apathy causes particular problems when people apply the "2.5 and survive" mentality to relationships.

People who are slow to invest in themselves are even more reluctant to invest in others, and relationships erode. As the level of caring investment falls, the risk of failure goes up. Still, people are willing to accept the risk that

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LETTERS to the editor

Know your business

Editor
How is it that so many backward thinking individuals get elected to the Charlevoix City Council or County Commission?

There are board members on the County Commission who don't seem to understand what a land bank is or

how it operates.

There are people in elected positions who continually ask for "further study" until it's studied to death and either becomes so much more expensive it cannot be done or is off the table because the time-frame has expired.

There are many projects in Charlevoix County that were

over-studied but eventually done; late but done. Each one has become a boon for the area. Two that easily come to mind are the Community Pool, which now needs more space and the re Three cheers for Venetian cently completed East Park and Band Shell. Congratulations on accomplishing them.

Fie on you for the incessant delays. Come on, get up to date. Look forward, not backward. Progress is a good thing. And, before asking for more study, learn what it is a Commissioner is supposed to know and know it before being faced with a decision.
Marshall H. Cossman
Charlevoix

Faithful Servant

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an avoidable problem might devastate their marriage, their family, their work or their church.

We followers of Jesus Christ often demonstrate the same attitude when it comes to our faith and the way we live our lives. It reflects how even we who profess Jesus as savior sometimes avoid taking Him as lord over our lives.

Rather than working to develop the best possible relationship with Heaven we adopt a posture of minimal compliance, of putting forth the ab-

solute least amount of effort to barely get by. We forget that one day we will be held accountable for the actions we take and the words that come out of our mouths.

When we stop seeking Him we begin to merely go through the motions of trusting, obeying, forgiving, and praying. When we settle for merely getting by we never realize the full blessing of our relationship with Jesus.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services, by appointment at (231) 675-4682.

EDITORIAL

Three cheers for Venetian

It's coming

Can you feel it?
It's almost here.

Whether you're into Ferris wheels and dart games, music acts and cocktails on the waterfront or parades and sporting events, the Charlevoix Venetian Festival truly has it all.

And, frankly, we cannot wait for the 79th Venetian Festival to begin.

Among this year's line-up of returning favorite bands and first-time national headliners, you will find the Beach Bash down at Ferry Beach with live entertainment right on the water. Bring your boat and pack your cooler for this unique event which kicks off the Venetian Festival a full day earlier than in years past.

Not to mention—but we're going to anyway—the huge line-up of sports from basketball and soccer to the ever-growing Ryan Shay elite mile foot race down Bridge Street.

This year the Venetian Board has worked with the city to offer Venetian Vision, where you and your family not only get to watch a classic family-friendly film on the high-tech big screen in the new East Park pavilion, but you also get to vote on which movie gets played.

Go to www.charlevoixcourier.com to cast your vote for one of the following: E.T. The Extraterrestrial, Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark, Ghostbusters or Grease.

We're voting for Ghostbusters.

Then there are the many events on Kids' Day, Thursday, July 23 down at Lake Michigan Beach.

Returning this year is Laura the Elephant along with all the Kids' Day favorites—

many of which are free.

We just cannot thank the Venetian Board and the hundreds of volunteers enough for making this spectacle of community spirit and main street magic come alive.

Not only are most of the Venetian events free of charge, but this nearly quarter-of-a-million-dollar week-long event is funded by private donations.

Aside from the premium musical acts seen throughout the week, the other really big expenses are the Friday and Saturday night fireworks displays.

Right now the Venetian Board says the Friday night fireworks are tentative based on financial contributions.

Hey, we understand that many of us have had a rough year. And, we're not asking anyone in dire straits to cough up any cash.

But, if you are one of the

fortunate ones who can afford to give \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 or more to help preserve one of the truly great fireworks displays in the nation this Venetian Friday, July 24, we ask that you do so.

Not only is the Venetian Festival and its many amenities a cause of joy for locals and visitors alike, but it's one of the main reasons Charlevoix continues to be a four-season tourist destination.

The bright lights and big festival attracts folks from all over the world. And, once they see how beautiful Charlevoix is, they tend to stick around, and keep coming back.

For whatever reason you decide to support the Venetian Festival—be it fun or fiscal—we urge you to do so.

See you in the park.

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From Ukraine, with art oh BOIX!

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
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When Ukrainian-born Alla Johnson talks about art, her passion overrides the concern that she may not be using precisely the right words.

"I can do oils. I can do watercolor, collage, batik—it doesn't matter for me," she said. "If I feel something, I just do it."

Johnson is a member of The Jordan River Arts Council and The Charlevoix Circle of Arts. The Circle of Arts group meets weekly at various outdoor locations for Plein Air painting and the chance to discuss and critique each other's work.

The term "Plein (pronounced 'plain') Air Painting" refers to a tradition of painting landscapes in real time, in the environment itself.

"Plein Air painting means open air. It is like Impressionism," Johnson explained. "You must be outside and paint something quickly before something moves, or the light is different. Before it changes."

An avid disciple of her craft, Johnson began drawing and painting as a child in Poltava, Ukraine.

She met her husband, Mark, through mutual friends when he visited Poltava, and the couple married in the fall of 2006.

She moved with him to his home in Charlevoix and has continued to produce a prolific body of work since her arrival in Michigan.

Johnson is usually working on at least one project.

The canvas currently resting on the easel in her home studio depicts the suggestion of three large, vibrant flowers.

"The good mood creates inspiration, and inspiration is a miracle," she said as she produced a detailed pencil sketch of the painting in progress from a stack on her worktable. "I draw it out first. That is the way I was taught."

Johnson's home is another outlet for her creative talent. Sunflowers splash the doors of kitchen cabinets, the powder room mirror is framed in a colorful mosaic and textural flowers sprout from the baseboards and climb the wall.

"I do painting on fabrics, too," she said, offering a photo of a scarf decorated with entwined flowers and butterflies. "For 10 years in Ukraine, I worked with pre-school and elementary school kids. Their artworks went to a lot of children's exhibitions. My students became winners very often and I was very happy and proud for them."

Johnson recalled that art and music were considered an important part of the Ukrainian student's curriculum. "There was always a concert or preparing for shows and programs. Always something was going on," she said.

Several of Johnson's paintings are currently on display at The Crooked Tree Art Center and The Charlevoix Circle of Arts, as well as The Blue Heron Gallery in Elk Rapids and Evergreen Gallery in Traverse City.

One of her recent works is a rendering in oils of Castle Farms that was purchased by the venue's owner.

"I like to do them all," she said of her favorite medium. "With watercolors, it's a masterpiece when it looks fresh. It seems so easy—just water and paint—but it's difficult to control."

Johnson said adapting to life in a new country has been an interesting challenge.

When Johnson's friends from home visit, they bring special ingredients for native dishes that are difficult or impossible to find in Northern Michigan.

And, she just got her first

driver's license a year ago.

"I always took the bus in Ukraine," she said. "Here everything is so different. Different language, different food, different friends..." She paused and searched for the words to describe her thoughts. The ones she chose made her laugh. "I feel like a baby—2 and-a-half years old."

But, the changes in her life did not arrive without a premonition.

"I had a dream 15 years ago," she said. "It was so real. A voice tells me 'You will live in America, but not now.'"

To learn more about Alla Johnson and to view her work, visit her Web site at: www.allajohnson.com

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSITY

Rebecca Dionne of East Jordan and Ellen MacDonald of Charlevoix received master of art/counseling degrees from Spring Arbor University during commencement exercises on Saturday, May 16.



Huh?

It used to be that a parent or grandparent would be the one most likely to say "huh?" during a conversation with a (grand)child. Nowadays, the tables seem to have turned. According to a recent poll commissioned by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), high school students are more likely than adults to say "what?" or "huh?" during normal conversation. Just as telling, the youngsters are more likely than their elders to

say that they need to turn up the volume, as well as experience ringing in their ears. Taken together, these are three of four symptoms of hearing loss. Most hearing experts blame listening to loud music with earphones for the increase in hearing loss among youngsters.

P.S. Teens are less likely to admit to having a hearing loss until a hearing test provides them with clear proof.



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Flowers, artists, trains at garden walk

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
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The Charlevoix Area Garden Club invites everyone with a penchant for plantings to attend their Eleventh Annual Garden Walk from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

The event showcases the floral displays of three in-town homes, one working farm and the commercial gardens of Bolt Studio and Castle Farms.

The theme for this

year's walk is "A Palette of Charlevoix Gardens."

"We'll have an artist in every garden doing plein air paintings," Jackie Krutsh said.

Krutsh and Karen Benning are co-chairs of this year's walk.

"Two of the gardens we'll visit feature running model trains, including one on the lake," said Krutsh.

Tickets may be purchased prior to the date for \$10, or for \$12 on the day of the walk.

Call 237-4294 for ticket information.

In conjunction with the walk, "A Royal Luncheon" is scheduled in the afternoon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Castle Farms.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 and available only by advance purchase.

Co-chairing the luncheon are Charlevoix Area Garden Club members Joyce Reznick and Pat Sessler.

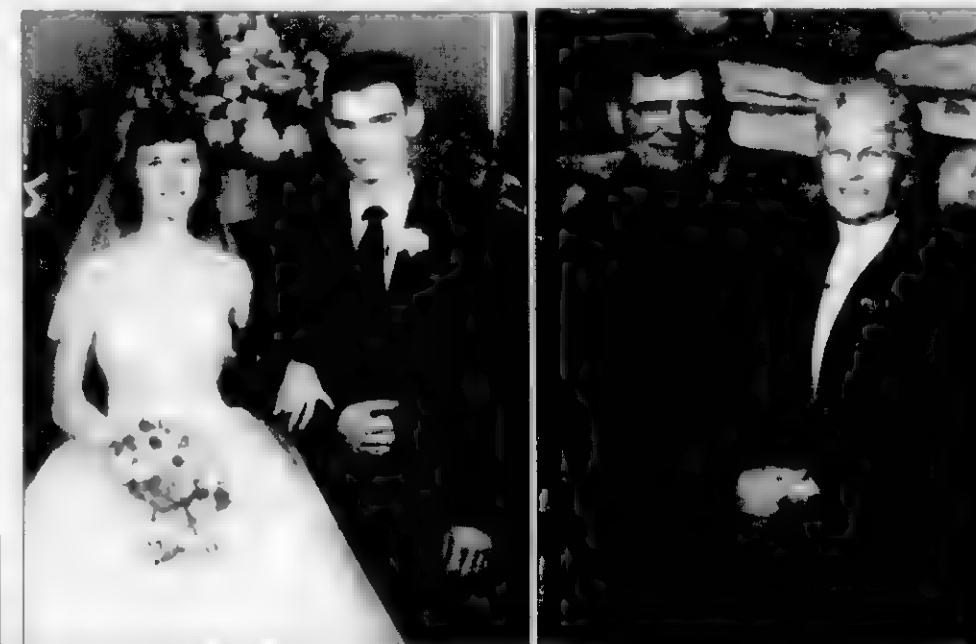
Luncheon tickets may be purchased at Castle Farms Gift Shop, or by calling 237-0028.



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Charlevoix resident Glenn Wachler recently presented ABC News reporter Bob Woodruff with two of his signature bracelets from his business Life Links. Woodruff has since recovered from a traumatic brain injury he sustained while reporting in Iraq. Pictured are Wachler (far right) with his brother (far left) and Woodruff.

ANNIVERSARY



Batdorffs to celebrate 50th

Delbert and Carolyn Batdorff will be celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on July 18 at the Community Reformed Church in Charlevoix. Hors d'oeuvre and cake will be served. Best wishes only, please.

What's happening at the Library?

JATL: Jazz @ the Library

Wednesday, July 8, 7:00 pm
 Latin Jazz, Part 1 featuring Jim Cooper on Vibes and Percussion. Bring your own chair and enjoy an evening of jazz in Grandma Gert's Children's Garden.

Evolution of Charlevoix's Leisure Places
 Thursday, July 9, 6:30 pm
 Join Ken Polakowski, Professor Emeritus, University of Michigan Landscape Architecture for a historical view of Charlevoix's leisure places, from private resorts to public parks.

French Conversation Circle
 Tuesdays @ noon (June-July-August)
 Everyone welcome to come and practice your French skills.

Spanish Conversation Circle
 Thursdays @ 6:30 pm
 Join others for an hour of conversation in Spanish.

Parade: Experience the library's new interactive outdoor museum in Grandma Gert's Children's Garden.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library
 Wednesday, July 15, 7:00 pm
 The original jazz restaurant, special guests: Linda Schmitt, Steve Luder, and "The Library" Project. Join us for an evening of jazz in Grandma Gert's Children's Garden.

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Booktalkers get ready
 August 1st
 We're looking for booktalkers to discuss "The Book of David" by David Shields.

Quilters and Friends
 Thursday, July 16, 10:00 am - noon
 Join other quilters for a work session and sharing ideas - bring your project and machine!

Measure of the Heart w/ Mary Ellen Geist
 Thursday, July 16, 6:30 pm
 Meet this journalist and author who lectures on the gifts of coming home to care for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease.

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Here are the Charlevoix Little League minors the Orioles, pictured in no particular order, Kyle Balch, Nicholas Bradley, Brandon Clark, Cameron Clark, Oliver DeYoung, Tyler Fuchs, Emma Kane, Calb Kenwablisse, Camden Musilek, Nicholas Rhudy, Ethan Siegwart. This year's coaches were Fred Siegwart, Gary Fuchs and Denny Clark.



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The Charlevoix Reds are Jayden Begmann, Hudson Elowsky, Mason Louisele, Daniel Nesburg, Mick Nesburg, Collin Pearson, Luke Telgenhof, Alana Tinsley, Marcus White and Carson Whitley. Coaches were Lew Campbell and Allen Telgenhof.

Charlevoix baseball looking strong

Charlevoix's 11 and 12-year-old baseball players won all three games against Boyne City, Traverse City and East Jordan in recent play.

"We won our pool with a 3-0 record," said assistant coach Allen Telgenhof.

Boyne City, Traverse City and East Jordan all finished 1-2.

Boyne will move on as the 2nd place team due to the tie-breaker.

Game was against Boyne City, which lost 2-1.

"Shane Sutherland pitched a complete game two-hitter, walking three and striking out nine," Telgenhof said. "Nate Moon had two hits and scored

both Charlevoix runs."

Logan Eckhardt singled for Charlevoix.

Ethan Campbell doubled in Boyne's run.

Cory Redman threw three shutout innings for Boyne City.

In game two, it was Charlevoix 6, Traverse City East 5.

Sutherland drove in the winning run with a walk-off two-run double in the bottom of the sixth to cap a tremendous Charlevoix comeback.

Traverse City led 5-0 after four innings.

Charlevoix scored three in the bottom of the fifth on a Noah Certa single, Austin Put-

man walk, Sutherland RBI single, Moon fielders choice and two Traverse City passed balls.

In the sixth with one out, Justin Pearl walked, Certa reached on an error and Putman drilled an RBI single to set up Sutherland's blast.

Moon picked up the pitching victory in relief of Eckhardt.

In game three, it was Charlevoix 12, East Jordan 2.

Ryan Joy, Moon and Putman combined on a five inning mercy rule no-hitter.

Sutherland singled, tripled, scored four runs and had two RBI.

Putman had two hits and scored three runs.

Moon singled, doubled and drove in five runs.

Luke Klinger had an RBI double.

Eckhardt singled and walked twice.

Free youth football camp

Charlevoix football program is offering a free youth football camp for players entering grade three through eight.

The camp is from 10 a.m. to noon on July 11 at Kipke Field.

Players should wear cleats

if possible. The camp will be led by Charlevoix High School coaches and players.

Call coach Don Jess at (231) 237-9490 for more information.

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Venetian sports line-up

There will be numerous team sports events during Venetian week.

The 3 on 3 basketball team events begin with a 3 on 3 basketball tournament scheduled for Saturday July 18.

The "Basketball Beach Hash" moves to a new location and earlier date than in the past.

Ferry Avenue Beach is the new site and playing prior to Venetian Week is the new date. Sport manager, Boogie Carlson feels the new site gives much more room for both participants and spectators and the early date gives them a backup date of Sunday in case of rain.

The two full courts provide excellent facilities and the paved parking lots accommodated all the additional courts needed and the additional benefit of having the lake to cool off and the beach to provide more fun for the family, will provide for an excellent event.

Official registration forms are available at the City Recreation office. Additional information may be received at (231) 675-4561.

Soccer — on Tuesday July 21, with finals scheduled for Wednesday July 22.

There will be 3 on 3 soccer at Shanahan Field as in the past.

Both boys and girls brack-

ets will be designed for all ages through adult.

Entry forms can be secured at the City Recreation office. The event is managed by Carol Madison and Tom Colan.

For more information call 348-3317 or 675-3122.

Co-ed volleyball — A tournament for co-ed beach volleyball teams will be held at the Ferry Avenue Beach sand courts Saturday afternoon, July 25 after the street parade.

Teams must play three female and three male players. Official registration forms are available at the City Hall Recreation department or at 1 p.m. at the courts. For more information contact Chris Seymour at 547-6513.

Team croquet — This is a two-person event that has been very popular both for spectators and participants.

It is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 21 and is held at East Park.

There are several flights, with the first being the service club matches where local groups against each other.

One of the hottest competitions finds the two fire departments—City of Charlevoix vs. the Charlevoix Township—squaring off with the winner having the right to have their trucks first in the popular street parade.

Then there is the open flight which has both adults and youth playing for the Venetian crown.

The Charlevoix version of "cottage croquette" has a few wrinkles that make the game fun for participation and spectator alike. Contestants may just show up at East Park to participate.

Call Dave Fowler at 547-9314 for more information.

Sailing — The annual Venetian Cup Sailing Regatta is indeed a team sport.

Each of the nearly 100 sail boats making up this popular event train a team of deckhands that provide a spectacular sight on Lake Charlevoix Wednesday evening, July 22.

Fleets featuring several different sizes and makes of boats are handicapped so that all racers have an equal chance to become the Venetian Cup winner.

Entry forms and more information may be obtained at the city recreation department.

For more information call Rod Tinney at 536-3447.

Whether you appear as a games participant or as a spectator fan, there is a variety of events and a week jammed with exciting sporting events.

Look for a review of individual sports in next week's Venetian sports preview.



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Members of the Belvedere Club recently hosted tennis players from the Charlevoix township courts to play on Belvedere's clay courts. The group gets together twice a year for a little friendly competition.



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Pool school

Over the last few weeks staff members from the Charlevoix Area Community Pool have presented Water Safety talks to area schools. Staff members have visited Charlevoix Elementary, Charlevoix Middle and Lincoln Elementary of Petoskey. The Water Safety talks focused on: Swimming in a Supervised Area, How to put on a Life Jacket, The H.E.L.P. and Huddle positions and Boating Safety. Pool Director, Al Gooch shows Charlevoix Elementary students that four or five men drown to every one woman.

Are You on Track toward Your Financial Objectives?

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor



It's been almost two years since turmoil began in the financial markets. And during that time, your own financial picture, along with that of virtually every other investor, has probably changed. Still, you can do a lot to get back on track toward the future you've envisioned — and you can start today.

What moves should you make? Here are a few to consider:

- Assess your current situation. You're well aware of the change in your portfolio's value over the past two years, and you may well have already made some adjustments. But if you're going to position yourself properly for the future, you need to review your entire financial situation: your savings, spending, investments, insurance and income needs. Only then can you chart the course that's

right for you.

- Re-evaluate your goals. Since you are already reviewing your financial picture, now is a good time to also re-examine your goals. Would you like to help pay for a child's college education? Do you know when you plan to retire? When you do retire, what sort of lifestyle do you envision? If you haven't already done so, identify your goals and try to put a price tag on them.

- Review your strategy for reaching your goals. Once you know about how much money your goals may require, you'll need to review your savings and investment strategies to determine if they are likely to provide sufficient funds. You'll need to look at your investment mix to see if it's providing the right combination of growth and income opportunities. At the same time, you'll want to analyze your feelings about investment risk. Before the market decline, many investors believed they were more comfortable with risk than they actually were. Because different investments carry different levels of risk, it's essential that you know your risk tolerance

and factor it into your investment decisions.

- Start making necessary changes. To attain the goals you've identified, you may well need to make some changes. For example, during the most recent bear market, the value of your growth-oriented investments likely fell considerably, which means these investments may now make up a smaller percentage of your portfolio, relative to income-oriented vehicles. Yet to achieve your long-term objectives, you may need a good amount of exposure to investments that have the potential to provide growth, such as stocks. Consequently, you may need to rebalance your portfolio, possibly with the help of a professional financial advisor — someone who knows your goals, risk tolerance, family situation and other key factors.

- Be flexible. After you've identified your goals and revised your investment strategy accordingly, you have taken some important steps — but you're still not done. None of us can predict what will happen in our lives, and as we've seen, the financial markets are equally unpredictable. So you will need to

be flexible with your investment moves and prepared to make changes as necessary.

In short, establish an investment strategy that's right for your needs and follow it as best you can, but be prepared to adjust your path as time goes by. By staying diligent, you can help yourself advance toward your important goals — in all economic environments.

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Cool boats, hot cars in East Jordan

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The South Arm Classic Boat and Car Show will present their fourth annual summer celebration of vintage watercraft, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, at the Memorial Park in East Jordan.

The waterfront event showcases a range of venerable vessels and draws collectors, restoration buffs and enthusiasts statewide to participate in a day devoted to classic boats and cars.

"The first year that we held the event, we only had six boats," said show director Darrin Podskalny. "This year we expect to have almost 50. I think everyone who attends enjoys the beautiful setting we have here on Lake Charlevoix."

Podskalny participated as an exhibitor in boat shows before organizing the South Arm Classic four years ago.

Admission for spectators is free.

The show features premiere homes in the legacy of aquatic recreation, such as Garwood, Thompson, Arista Craft, Lyman, Century, Chris Craft and more.

There will also be kayaks, canoes, antique outboards and riverboats on display. Boats will be presented on dry land and in the water.

Podskalny appreciates classic watercraft, especially boats made in Michigan.

"When you see an old Skipper-Craft or Wondercraft, it ties in with a lot of old memories of growing up in the area," he said.

Among the many traditional fiberglass boats and wooden runabouts scheduled to participate is the last Century Resorter to roll off the line when that model ceased production in 1962.

Chris Smith from Holland will attend with his Chris Craft Sea Skiff.

Smith is the grandson of Chris Craft's founder Christopher Columbus Smith, and he will be on hand to sign copies of his book, "Chris Smith: A Collection of Short Stories."

There will be live musical entertainment in the park's band pavilion and the Lion's Club will host a barbecue. Cottage and marine crafts and merchandise will be available.

The family-friendly festivities include a special booth for children, offering kids the opportunity to build their own boat.

Vintage cars will also be represented.

Recognition for the captain's choice and people's choice are awarded to the boats judged best in show.



COURTESY PHOTO

Bucks for the band

President Armand Drapeau of the Jordan Valley Community Band accepts a \$900 grant for the 2008-2009 season presented by Maureen Radke of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. These monies have been used to provide blinders and music protectors for each player in addition to supplementing the director's stipend and two \$150 scholarships for area students to attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. The Jordan Valley Community Band, composed of musicians of all ages from the surrounding area, performs two concerts a year at the East Jordan Community Auditorium in December and May. During the summer, the band will be performing in the Bendshell in East Jordan on Thursday nights throughout July. Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. If you play an instrument and wish to participate in the band and/or wish further information, please contact President Armand Drapeau at 536-2938.

Executives on loan for United Way

Hoping to mobilize the power of the business community to benefit the community as a whole, Char-Em United Way is starting a Loaned Executive Program.

Employees from local businesses, people in transition between jobs, as well as retirees, are encouraged to apply to the program.

Loaned Executives lend their expertise and energy to assist United Way staff in communicating the needs of the community to the giving public.

They receive thorough training that includes local resources, public speaking, leadership, sales, and communication.

The Loaned Executives then meet with local businesses, civic and service clubs, and small groups of donors in Emmet and Charlevoix Counties to promote the United Way Campaign.

A group of past loaned executives from other United Ways is helping develop a program for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties.

"I know how valuable the experience can be for a young employee," says Scott MacKenzie, CEUW's Campaign Co-Chair. "As a Loaned Executive to the United Way in Greensboro NC, I gained communication and leadership skills and learned a great deal about community needs and resources. It's an experience I would recommend for people seeking to build their skills and networks."

Businesses find that, by providing a Loaned Executive to the United Way, they improve their corporate image and positively impact community life. In addition, the employee gains skills that translate back to the workplace.

"We want to stress that this program is not just for 'Executives' per se," says Bob

Noll, a retiree from UPS. "The Loaned Executive Program provides great experience for front line employees being groomed for more responsibility. In addition, I would encourage retirees hoping to keep their skills and interests sharp to volunteer in this role."

A half day training for Loaned Executives will be held in early August. Following that, the "LEs" will make contacts with local businesses and other groups to engage their support for United Way.

It is expected that the commitment will take 2-4 hours per week from mid August through October, but more limited availability will be considered.

For more information or an application form, contact Martha Lancaster at United Way at 231-487-1006 or martha@charunitedway.org. The next meeting of the Loaned Executive Steering Committee will be held Wednesday July 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the United Way office.

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HORTON BAY'S NON-PARADE



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Onlookers at Horton Bay's non-parade waved at cars which passed through the village on Saturday July 4. Some passersby, such as the ones pictured, chose to honk and wave.



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Despite a lack of floats, a crowd of dozens attended the July 4 non-parade in Horton Bay last Saturday. Here a band plays patriotic tunes while a member of the crowd shows off her dance moves.

A picture is worth 1,000 words. Here are just a few...



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www.protectingourbay.com

For several years, environmental work has been underway at Resort Township's East Park to address problems left behind from the old cement plant that used to operate along the Lake Michigan shore. That work has been successful and one of America's most beautiful public parks is again open. Thanks to all who helped make it happen!

To obtain more information about the work done at East Park and throughout the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit: protectingourbay.com.

Cleaning our shore.  Protecting our bay.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Plan to come to the Charlevoix County Republican
Annual Picnic
July 12th • Noon-3pm
at Whiting Park
(Lakeshore Road between Boyne City and Ironton)
★ Grilled half chicken & beverages
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Charlevoix
Concert Series
Sundays at 6:00pm in
Downtown's Beautiful East Park
*Performances run Sunday evenings from 6:00-9:30pm unless otherwise noted

DATE	OPENING ACT	FEATURE ACT
JULY 12	The Bostrom Brothers	Natalia Zukerman
FRI, JULY 17	The Fabulous Oldies	but Goodies

The Charlevoix City Band performs every Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. through August 18th.

See you there!

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JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION

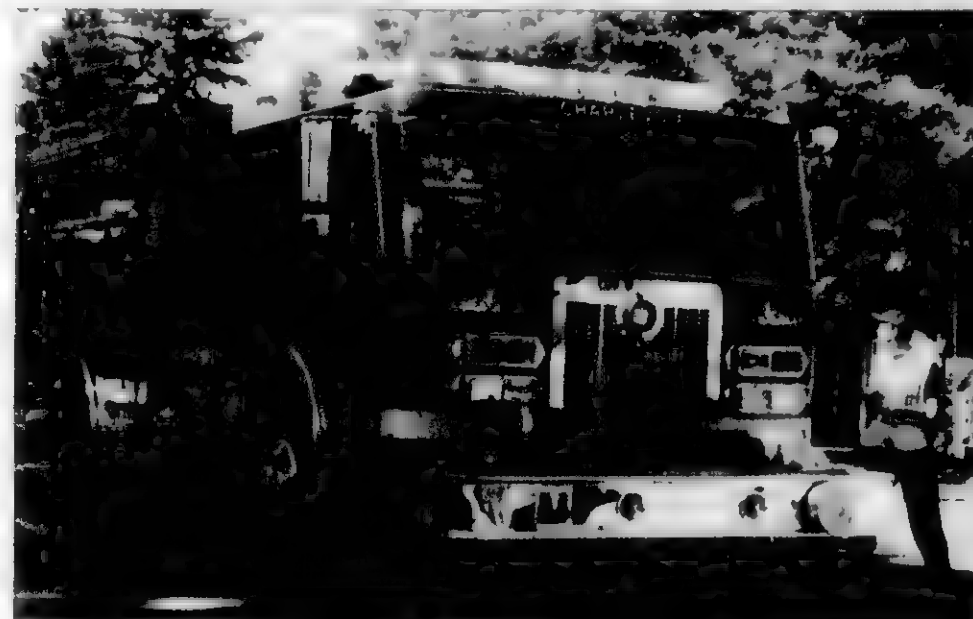


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The City of Charlevoix Fire Department's fire engine brought up the rear of the July 4 parade in Charlevoix last Saturday.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

This hot-rodder presented the Pleasant Valley Bible Camp during fourth of July festivities last Saturday in Charlevoix.



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Folks young and old marched in this year's fourth of July parade in downtown Charlevoix.



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Gary Stutzman, leader of the Charlevoix City Band, toots away on his trombone during Saturday's July 4 parade in Charlevoix.



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A portion of the Charlevoix City Band is seen here riding on the musical float in Charlevoix's fourth of July parade this past weekend.



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United States Army veterans Joe Seidel and his wife Gail were two of dozens of current and former members of the armed forces to march in the Independence Day observance parade in downtown Charlevoix on Saturday July 4.



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With air force veteran Charlie Butcher at the wheel of his World War II-era military vehicle, Ken Staley waves to the crowds who gathered to watch the Charlevoix fourth of July parade.



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Charlevoix County Department of Veterans Affairs Director Ed Holme is seen here marching in the fourth of July parade last Saturday with an American flag held high.



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Soldiers of all stripes represented various branches of the armed forces during Charlevoix's annual July 4 parade in honor of the nation's birthday in 1776.

JULY



The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce Action & Business Briefs

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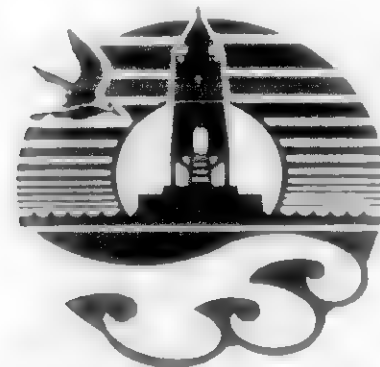
Farmer Fresh!

The Charlevoix Farmers Market has begun! Market hours are every Thursday from 9am to 1pm in downtown East Park. In one convenient downtown location, you can support Charlevoix area farmers and take home healthy, nutritious fruits and vegetables or freshly baked goods. It is where locals and visitors alike can go for the freshest produce, all of which is grown in the Charlevoix area. Be sure to stop by and pick up the first fruits of the season.

Gone Golfing



"Gone Golfing" is the sign you will see displayed on business doors on Friday, August 28th. This is because it is the date of the 11th Annual Charlevoix Chamber Golf Outing. Clear your calendar and be sure to contact the Chamber to reserve your team's spot!



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A Meet & Greet

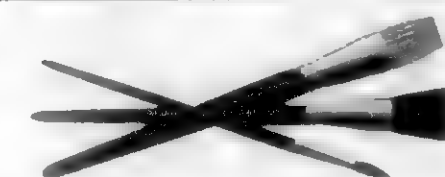


On Thursday, June 18th, businessmen from Boyne City, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Harbor Springs, and Petoskey had the opportunity to meet and greet one another at the Regional Business After Hours. Held at Castle Farms, those in attendance enjoyed delicious hors d'oeuvres catered by Grey Gables Restaurant, the musical talents of A+ Digital DJ, and the friendly company of their colleagues.

The Chamber would like to thank all attendees and the event sponsors including A+ Digital DJ, American Waste, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Castle Farms, CMS Land Company, Huntington National Bank, and Pat McKeown Ford Lincoln Mercury.

July's Business After Hours

will take place on July 9th from 5 to 7pm at The Well Being Day Spa & Yoga Studio. It is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission. Also, be sure to save the date for August's Business After Hours August 13th at the Dunmaglas Golf Club. It is a premier networking opportunity—it's who you know!

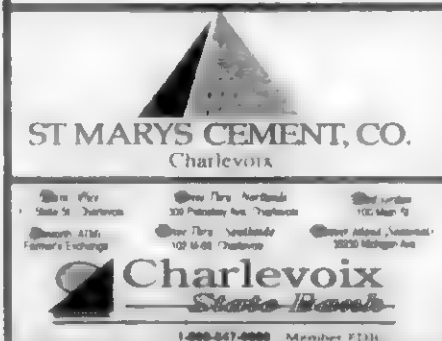
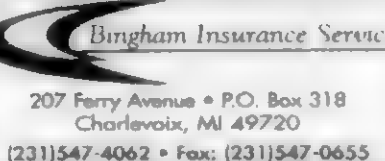
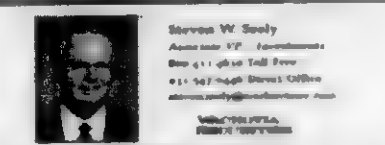


41st Annual Art & Craft Show

You are cordially invited to browse the works of talented artists in the 41st Annual Charlevoix Art & Craft Show. Over 200 artists and craftsmen fill East Park offering everything from oil paintings to rustic furniture. The whole family can shop and relax while enjoying the views on scenic Round Lake Harbor. For more information contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231.547.2101

July 9	Business After Hours @ The Well Being • 547.2101
July 9	Charlevoix Circle of Arts Gallery Gallup, 547.3554
July 10	Hospital's Get Down Swing & Boogie-Woogie • 547.8501
July 11	41st Annual Art & Craft Show • 547.2101
July 15	11th Annual Garden Walk • 237.4294
July 18	17th Annual Street Legends Classic Car Show • 675.0987
July 19-25	79th Annual Venetian Festival • 547.3872
July 25-26	Castle Farms Fiber Arts Festival • 237.0884

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Vacation Bible Camp

St. Mary School had a huge turnout at their Vacation Bible Camp this year. Here dozens of bible camp participants take a break from the day's work.

COURTESY PHOTO



79th Venetian Festival expands days, activities

VENETIAN Continued from page 1

the downtown carnival with \$15 armbands—which offer the bearer unlimited rides—or \$1 per ticket.

Another new event this year is "Venetian Vision" the evening of Monday, July 20, in East Park.

"We were excited to find that the performance pavilion includes the audio/video component to provide a drive-in-type movie venue," Barron said. "There's no better place than Venetian to debut movies in East Park."

Be sure to cast your vote for which family-friendly movie

you would like to see played on the big screen of the new Clarence Odmark Performance Pavilion in East Park.

The choices are:

- E.T. The Extraterrestrial
- Ghostbusters
- Raiders of the Lost Ark
- Grease

Cast your vote by going to www.charlevoixcounier.com. This year's line-up of Venetian Games is unsurpassed.

"We feel that the organization and participation in Venetian Games remains rock solid and we anticipate an event greater participation and turnout in the foot races and elite Ryan Shay Mile, which are now staged on Saturday morning prior to the street parade," Barron said.

Returning this year will be the Venetian Tiki Tent during the week-long Rhythms of Venetian concert series.

"We're looking forward to the debut of the Tiki tent stage which will facilitate nonstop entertainment in East Park throughout each evening as the performances will occur one hour prior to the feature acts, and during concert breaks," Barron said.

Once again the Tiki tent will offer a view of the harbor and adult beverages including beer, wine and wine-cooler-type drinks. From the Venetian Tiki Tent you will hear musical acts ranging from classic rock to Motown hits to country superstars.

Both acts have hit songs in the top 20.

"On Thursday (July 23) Mitch Ryder will perform at Venetian for the first time," Barron said. "His 1960s Detroit rock-n-roll led the way for such high-energy Detroit rockers as Ted Nugent and Bob Seger."

The Countours will again grace the Rhythms of Venetian stage again to sing their

Motown favorites. They last performed at Venetian in 2002.

The festival will be punctuated by one of the nation's biggest and best fireworks shows on Friday (tentatively scheduled) and Saturday evenings.

"We will be having another sensational harbor fireworks show on Saturday evening," Barron said. "Round Lake Harbor serves as a perfect pyrotechnic amphitheater facilitating one of the most unique and intense displays in the country."

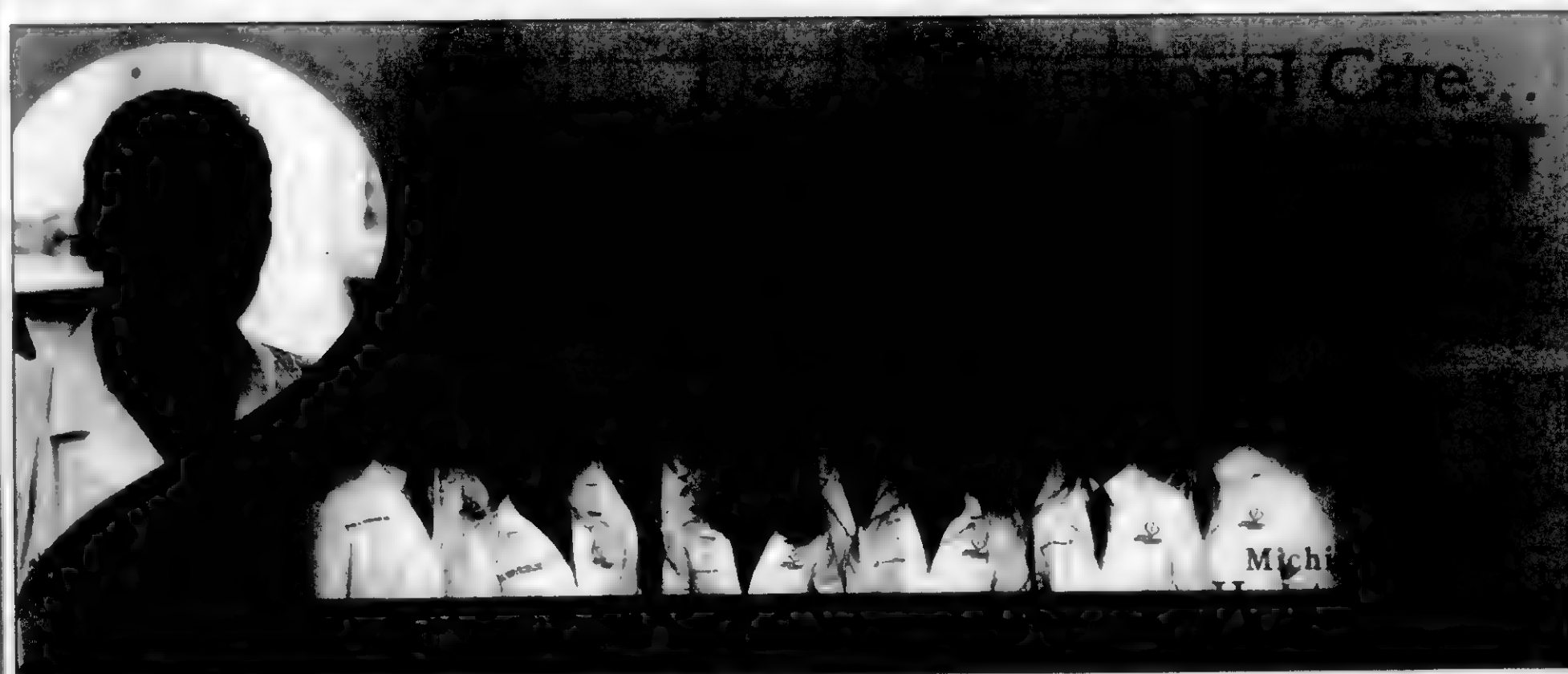
He added, "Due to financial concerns, the Friday evening 'Night Sky' fireworks display over Lake Charlevoix has been planned on a tentative basis

only. The festival is prepared to confirm and proceed with the Friday night fireworks if sufficient financial contributions are received."

For much, much more on the festival, be sure to get our copy of the 79th Annual Venetian Festival guide in future editions of the Charlevoix Courier and Petoskey News-Review.

"Venetian excitement's in the air and we're ready and raring to go," Barron said.

"This is Barron's 11th season of overseeing and working to make the festival a success. "I just feel it's a great way for me to give my resources back to this fantastic town," he said.



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CHILD'S PLAYHOUSE (large, outdoor), real Victorian style, wooden with cedar shake roof and attached swingset, 703 East Mitchell, Petoskey, look first and see if can transport. \$100 or best offer. (231)439-3989.

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Wednesday, July 8, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jackie E. Dunlop and Connie R. Dunlop, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2003, and recorded on September 3, 2003 in Liber 568 on Page 671, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fifth Third Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand and Two Hundred Eighty Nine and 10/100 Dollars (\$127,279.90), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

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Dated: June 24, 2009
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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING FILE NO. 09-011384-NC

In the matter of Gavin Trenton Oelke

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including those whose addresses are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 29th, 2009 at 1:45 p.m. at Charlevoix Probate Court, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI before Judge Frederick R. Mulhauser (P28895) for the following purpose: To hear the petition to change name filed by Alicia Beebe requesting the name change of Gavin Trenton Oelke be changed to Gavin Trenton Beebe

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays in June and September through December at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in July and August. A DVD and book on Earl Young are also available. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Col-

leen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Sam Bingham at 547-4062 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

The Circle of Strength Cancer Support Group meeting at 7 p.m. on July 14 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building has been cancelled.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy

last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 4

Art on display

New Works by pastel artist Jerry Power at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South. Call 547-2333 or go to www.cyclingsalamander.com.

JULY 9

Gallery Gallop

From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 9, there will be a tour of Charlevoix's art galleries which begins at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton St. Art. Nearly 10 local galleries are participating in this event offering extended viewing hours and refreshments. Call 547-3554 or visit www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

ONGOING

Odmark and friends singer search

The Odmak Pavilion Committee is looking for former students and friends of Clarence Odmak's to sing in a Community Chorus for the dedication of the Odmak Pavilion on July 7. Odmak is remembered for his outstanding instrumental music program at Charlevoix Public Schools but he also directed Charlevoix High School's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus, as well as the choir at the First Congregational Church for many years. Rehearsals are in the Charlevoix Middle School band room. Call Ev Wujcik at 547-6376, Steve Kroll at 547-2074 or Leslie Cunningham at 547-2145 for more information.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

July 9 - The House on the Hill, 9661 Lake Street, Ellsworth.

July 16 - Lavender Hill Farms, 07354 Horton Bay Rd.

July 23 - Kiteley's Farm Market, 3805 Brook Rd.

July 30 - Threx Beach Rd./Antrim Natural Area, Public Beach, and Nature Preserve. 31 To Atwood past Royal Farms.

Aug. 6 - Vistas of Lake Bellaire West on Cayuga St. to Bellaire Highway.

Aug. 13 - Fred Vemeersch' Orchard View, 1344 Vermeersch Rd., Central Lake.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club

Men's Stag Night League Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

JULY 10

Get Symphony tickets

Get your tickets to the Symphony on the Green in support of Charlevoix Area Hospital's health education and outreach programs.

Tickets are \$125 each and include dinner, music, dancing, cocktails and more.

The event is July 10 at the Pelican Airways hangar on US 31 South.

This year's theme is "Swing: Get Down and Boogie-Woogie."

Call 547-8501 for more information. The hospital is also offering swing dance lessons on June 21. Call for more information.

JULY 11

From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, the Norwood Area Historical Society will be having their annual Ice Cream Social. This year's event includes refreshments, live music and a fiber arts show at the Norwood Schoolhouse and United Methodist Church. Cost is \$4.

JULY 13

Mr. Art Critic — showing of the feature-length comedy starring Bronson Pinchot followed by afterglow reception with filmmaker, Rich Brauer. The film, which is appropriate for all ages, was shot in Traverse City and on Mackinac Island. The event is free and open to the public. Donations appreciated. Showing is 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., July 13 in Charlevoix Public Library community room A.

JULY 14

Bayview Music Festival

The First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will present, at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Raymond Feener with a powerpoint lecture on the development of the Christian Morality Play, especially the most famous of moralities, the Everyman story. Using the music of Frank Martin's, Six Monologues from Everyman, and text from Hugo Von Hoffmanstahl's play Everyman, Dr. Feener will perform a newly staged performance using his own English translation from the original German.

JULY 15

At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15, the Norwood Area Historical Society invites you to hear Mardi Link a Traverse City author, talk about "Two Michigan Cold Cases: The Stories Behind the Books." Mardi Link's book, "When Evil Comes to Good Hart" is a history of the unsolved murder of six members of the Robinson family of Good Hart. Link will talk about writing historic crime

accounts and preview her forthcoming book dealing with a murdered nun in Leelanau County to be published as Isadore's Secret.

JULY 17

Men's chorus

At 12:30 p.m. on Friday, July 17, the Charlevoix Men's Chorus will be performing at the library. Program will include show tunes, spirituals, folk songs, calypso, gospel, oldies, barber shop and more. Guests are welcome to bring a bag lunch to this free event. Lemonade will be provided.

JULY 17 AND 18

Car show

The Charlevoix Street Legends hosts their 17th annual classic car show on July 17 and 18.

The event kicks off with a free concert featuring the fabulous Oldies but Goodies '50s and '60s rock n roll band at 7 p.m. on July 17 in East Park's new band shell for the Friday Night Cruise-In. Registration for the car show begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 18; the show begins at 10 a.m. in East Park. More than 30 prize categories for trucks, cars and motorcycles and additional trophies will be awarded.

An auction to benefit Camp Quality will also be held at 3 p.m. Visit www.streetlegends.net or e-mail bmoran0016@aol.com for more information.

JULY 22

Start a business

Classes on how to start a business are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance including June 24 at the Boyne District Library, and July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or e-mailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

JULY 25

Charlevoix alumni reunion

The Charlevoix High School Alumni Association will host the third annual All-School Reunion from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 25 in the lower level of the Weatheravane. Tables for this event will be arranged by decade so that alumni can find former classmates, teammates, and friends.

There is no charge for this

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event, but those who wish to pay the \$5 alumni dues may do so at the reunion.

Snacks, lemonade and ice tea will be served and a cash bar will be available.

Any class wishing to display memorabilia should contact the association by July 15 at 547-4457.

The Alumni Association recently purchased a new bicycle rack for the high school and gave a donation for the purchase of new software for the media center.

Anyone who is interested in serving on the board of the CHS Alumni Association should contact Sherrel Bergmann at 547-4457 or by e-mail at rayderberg@aol.com.

AUG. 3

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at 6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen. Call 237-7340 for more information.

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at



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Far from Loch Ness

The new sea monster that resides at Castle Farms' pond is nearly 18 feet long and is approximately 800 pounds. Linda Mueller, co-owner of the castle, is hosting a name the monster contest. Name ideas can be submitted at the gift shop at Castle Farms, the deadline is Aug. 31. Voting will take place at the Craft Show with the winning name announced following the show.

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FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the

church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix.

Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit

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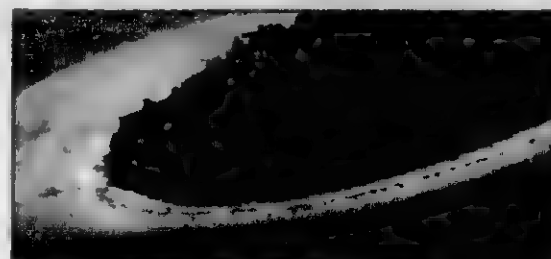


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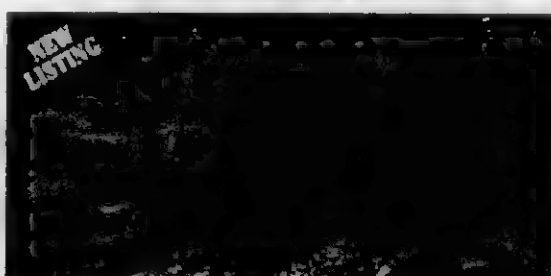
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Federal aid: Boon or Band-Aid?
Stimulus funds save schools, for nowBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Local school districts may be breathing a collective sigh of relief now that stimulus funds have been approved.

However, officials warn the \$370-per-pupil cuts narrowly averted this last budget year could still loom over the 2009-2010 budget year.

"It's a very frustrating situation, not only for us, but nearly every school district as we look forward," said Superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools

Chet Janik.

Charlevoix Public Schools and Northwest Academy in Charlevoix were both notified last Friday, July 10 that they would be receiving the stimulus funds.

According to Charlevoix Public Schools Business Manager Shawn Biddle, with a general enrollment of 1,188 last year, Charlevoix Public Schools would have lost \$442,939 if they had not applied and been approved for the stimulus funds.

"We should be getting ours on Wednesday (July 15)," Biddle said.

Northwest Academy School Administrator John Bailey said his school, too, would have suffered without the funding from the federal government.

"We're going to be OK," he said. "The word was that we were approved and should receive our funding Friday or soon after."

With 101 students, Northwest would have lost nearly \$37,370 from their 2008-2009 budget.

"I hope all the schools know about this. I've talked to a few superintendents who were not sure if their schools had applied," Bailey said.

The deadline to apply for the funding is July 31.

Though there has been talk about what next year's potential cuts could be, Janik said the entire process is a guessing game.

"It changes constantly," he said. "In January they said the deficit was going to be \$34 million. In April it was \$210 million and by the end of May they

were saying it was going to be over \$400 million."

Janik added, "In fairness, I don't think six to nine months ago anyone would have predicted the situation we're in now."

The real question Janik and Bailey have now is: "How much, if any, will the state cut next year?"

"All the information from the State of Michigan is there is no good news on the horizon, and to anticipate a similar situation for the 2009-2010 year," Janik said.

Bailey said he, too, has heard rumblings from the state about the potential for cuts in next year's foundation allowance—the amount of money allotted per student to the schools.

"We have no idea how much money we're going to get next year, but six weeks ago I was told it was going to be a \$260 reduction for this year and a like amount for next year, so I'm guessing it's going to be at least another \$370-a-student."

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Nine maids a vying

The nine young women vying for this year's title of Venetian Queen are in for some tough competition.

Miss Charlevoix 2009 candidates must be 16 to 22 years old, have a primary residence in Charlevoix or have graduated from the Charlevoix School District, be single, never have been married and have no children.

Candidates for this year's Miss Charlevoix crown are Celina Wanek, Taylor Storm, Hillary Lutz, Francesca Sardum, Erica Moses, Tammy Potter, Krista Pischner, Megan Klooster and Brooke Nemchak.

Megan, daughter of Nathan and Joy Klooster, will be a senior at Charlevoix High School this coming school year.

"I hope to go to college,

hopefully Michigan State, to go into nursing or interior design," said the Charlevoix High School Band member, Sunday school teacher and softball player.

"It would just be an honor to represent Charlevoix in any way possible," Klooster said.

Tammy Potter is the daughter of Barry and Lisa Potter. She graduated this year from Charlevoix High School.

"I'm planning on going to Alma College and pursuing an elementary education degree," she said. "I'll also be playing volleyball and basketball." Potter added, "I really like Charlevoix as a community and I'd really like to represent it."

Celina Wanek is the daughter of Thomas and Becky

Wanek.

She plans on attending college in the Pacific Northwest and hopes to receive a degree in international studies and possibly follow that by joining UNICEF of peace corps.

Taylor Storm is the daughter of David and Debbie Storm.

Taylor plans on attending a four-year school studying pre-dental.

"I want to make the most of my senior year and do really well in all my sports," she said. "My biggest goal really is to get into a good school; possibly Grand Valley State, Oakland, or grand valley and focus on my studies."

Storm added, "I had never really thought about dentistry but I did my concen-

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David C. Robitaille, 23, Norwood, Mass. Disturbing the peace. Pay \$250 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Robert Anthony Konopka, 41, Petoskey. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Priscilla Anne Sherman, 21, Traverse City. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$310 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Jacquelyn Shelly Pinney, 48, East Jordan. Impaired driving; attempted resisting and obstructing. Credit for one day in jail; serve 30 days of community service work; 134 days held in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend sobriety court; \$1,180 in fines and costs.

Calvin Coolidge Gillespie II, 60, Boyne City. Forest fires; setting fire without precaution. Pay \$500 in fines and costs or serve 10 days in jail.

Eric Richard Cron, 20, Kentwood. Minor in possession. Credit for two days; serve five days of community service work; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$300 in fines and costs.

Walter Arnold Colbert, 63,

Boyne Falls. Attempted interfering with telecommunications device; aggravated assault. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; to attend men's group; forfeit firearms; not to possess any firearms; \$2,004.19 in fines and costs.

Faith Marie Tieber, 37, East Jordan. Open intoxicant by a motor vehicle passenger. Credit for six days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Eugene Alexander Kaczmarczyk, 41, Charlevoix. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Credit for three days in jail; \$310 in fines and costs.

Jeaneshia Tinay Cole, 27, Charlevoix. Malicious destruction of a building; less than \$200. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to serve six months on probation; \$644.65 in fines and costs.

Brandon Gene Diller, 28, East Jordan. Possession of marijuana. Credit for six days in jail; to serve 14 days in jail; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,000 in fines and costs.

Guy Terry Foss Jr., 22, Charlevoix. Malicious destruction of property, under \$200. Credit for one day in jail; 85 days held in abeyance; serve seven days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; \$648.45 in fines and costs.

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Tait Oliver Sayles, 28, Elmira. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Michael John McCary, 65, Boyne City. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Sandra Gail Thomas, 65, Charlevoix. Reckless driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend Impact weekend within 90 days; \$930 in fines and costs.

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State, Libert negotiating over Le Griffon

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The battle between maritime explorers and the State of Michigan over the identity of what some believe is 330-year-old French ship Le Griffon is up for negotiation.

The latest legal wrangling in this five-year-long case over the ship came on June 25 when U.S. District Judge Robert Holmes Bell granted the State's motion to postpone a decision on who has constructive possession of the wreckage site in question.

"It appearing that the parties are in the process of resolving some of the issues in this action ... the court will grant the motion and will adjourn the hearing on intervenors' motion for summary judgment until (1:15 p.m. on Oct. 15)," Holmes wrote.

Though the two have been previously at odds over what could be the ship that sank in 1679 in Lake Michigan, State of Michigan officials sent

Great Lakes Exploration an undisclosed proposal in recent months to apparently settle the matter.

"They sent us a proposal and we sent them a counter proposal," said Great Lakes Exploration Group historian Richard Gross. "We don't know how far apart we are until we see their response to our response."

Great Lakes Exploration Group head Steve Libert has always maintained that a public-private partnership will be the best way to investigate the site.

"I believe the postponement for GLEG and the State of Michigan to work out a positive, cooperative, working relationship without the determination of the court will benefit both parties," he said.

Despite his hope for this latest development, Libert took issue with recent Associated Press reports that the state of Michigan was working with France on the negotiations.

The state's actual assertion in papers filed June 17 in U.S. District Court were, "The State

of Michigan and France have had preliminary discussions regarding possible settlement of the issue of ownership ... Also, the state, France and plaintiff Great Lakes Exploration Group ... have exchanged drafts of a proposal to conduct a phase II investigation of the defendant shipwreck for the purpose of determining its identity."

According to French officials, they are neither negotiating with the state or participating in the investigation at this point.

"France ... had only one meeting with the technical departments of the State of Michigan," stated Aurelien Lechevalier, chief of staff, protocol, decorations at the French Embassy in Washington D.C. in an e-mailed response to questions. "I think it's excessive to say that France has a role in the negotiations which are ongoing between Great Lakes and the State of Michigan. France is not participating actively in the negotiations."

Despite repeated attempts

to contact officials from the Michigan Attorney General's office, calls were not returned by press time.

"France has international rights on the shipwreck of Le Griffon. France has proved to the Department of State and the federal judge by transferring specific historical documents that ... la Salle's expedition to Lake Michigan in 1679 was both a commercial enterprise and an official—though discreet—mission sent by King Louis XIV to establish settlements around the Great Lakes and along the Mississippi River," Emmanuel Lenain, spokesman, press counselor for the French Embassy in Washington, D.C. stated in an e-mailed response to questions. "France has never abandoned its rights on Le Griffon; it would never have done so. According to international law, France possesses the property rights on Le Griffon and its artifacts."

Currently, scientists for Great Lakes Exploration are putting together a plan on how the future

investigation and identification of the wreckage will be undertaken should they win the right to study the site.

Lenain said a French team could be available to participate in a joint identification effort if and when the time is right.

If Great Lakes Exploration and the State of Michigan can agree to cooperate on the matter, Lenain said France would be happy to work with federal and local agencies to preserve Le Griffon's place in American history as France's as asserted "rights are officially recognized and protected."

"There is no will and resources to bring Le Griffon back to France," he wrote. "Le

Griffon belongs to the French-American history and friendship and hopefully one day the American and international public will have the opportunity to admire it in an American Museum."

Meanwhile, Libert said recent surveys of the wreckage area show promise.

"The June 10 sub-bottom survey indicated something massive below the suspected bow sprit," he said. "We are all very excited and anticipate the final report soon."

The ship in question was built in the late 1600s by Rene Robert Cavalier Sieur de La Salle, a man instrumental in the Louisiana Purchase.

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Nancy Kaulens of Charlevoix gazes at a chalk scene of a lighthouse during the Charlevoix Circle of Arts Gallery Gallop. Kaulens is a plein air artist.
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Notice

Thank you for all who voted on Charlevoix Courier's poll question of which movie should be played for the first-ever Venetian Vision.

Voting has closed and the winner is...

Venetian Vision, featuring Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark, will be shown at sunset, approximately 9:45 p.m., on Monday July 20 at the Oldmark Pavilion in East Park. There is no charge to attend.

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Thoughtful plants

The words "community" and "communication" derive from a root word that means roughly "sharing."

Certainly some sort of communication is necessary if there is to be a viable community, whether a human one or one made up of the plants and animals in a particular place.

We can pretty clearly understand the communication that supports a human community, but how plants and animals communicate is less clear.

Animals are like us and have the capacity for movement, pro-

ducing sound, and often visual signals. But how do plants communicate, either with one another or even with themselves?

Most of plant communication is chemical, much like our and other animals' sense of smell is basically chemical. Plants that are being eaten by some sort of insect begin producing chemicals that waft around to other plants of the same kind or even to non-relatives. The chemicals induce the formation of insect repellent materials by any downwind plants.

Many messages involve only internal communication by single plants. We all recognize when we need a haircut or a manicure, but how do plants know?

Our local trees know. Many of our street side maples are in the process of discarding some of their leaves.

In the exuberance of last fall and this spring, some, maybe even most, of those trees developed a large number of embryonic leaves.

The realities of summer, with droughts and insects, suggest to the Maples that not all those leaves are necessary or desirable.

Some fraction of what are perfectly healthy leaves are positively discarded by the trees, who then face summer with closer to the "right" number of leaves.

How do the trees know which leaves or just how many? They lack any sort of nervous system like that of animals, yet they manage to let one part of the tree know what is needed by the other parts.

Some plants have internal mechanisms for measuring the size of the plant.

Consider it a sort of weight control mechanism.

Our local Jack-in-the-Pulpit doesn't begin producing seeds until the tuber from which it grows is of a certain size.

Some of the messages about size can be remarkably precise. A Western relative of our Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Western Skunk Cabbage, will not bloom until its below-ground rhizome is 17 milimeters in diameter. No matter how old the plant is, the message of how large it is must be communicated before blooming can begin.

Lacking nerves, the plants must be generating internal chemical signals, but we do not yet know the nature of those chemicals.

We are only beginning to learn how and to what extent plants communicate.

WEEKLY POLL

Your vote will decide which movie plays for the first-ever "Vacation Vision" in East Park on Monday, July 20!

R. I. The Extraterrestrial (36 Votes, 29%)
Shootouts (28 Votes, 19%)
Incidents of the Last Ark (22 Votes, 23%)
Groove (20 Votes, 20%)

The winner in Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark. The movie will air at sunset on July 20.

This week's poll question:
If you could only enjoy one Vacation Festival activity, what would it be?

Vacation Games Carnival **Fireworks Parade**

Go online to vote! (charlevoixcourier.com)

Since they live as parts of communities, it should come as no surprise that they do communicate.

We won't hear or likely see their messages, but we can be sure they are there.

Guano on my house

Pasture onto the deck in my back yard. I took the morning's first sip of coffee before setting the cup down in front of my favorite chair. I cranked the patio umbrella halfway open and a bat fell out onto the glass-topped table.

"Aaaaammmeee!" I said, recoiling inside of the drooping canvas.

I probably wouldn't have realized it was a bat if I hadn't seen my head hadn't been tucked underneath the umbrella as I wound it open.

The rodent grenade missed me by inches and dropped like

the opposite of manna, with a soft plop. It was roughly the size of one-half of an Almond Joy candy bar and it appeared to be deceased.

At first I wasn't sure what it was, and I didn't particularly want to know. Reluctant to employ scrutiny, I let it register in my peripheral vision. Brown, furry and grossly subdued equals dead mouse. That was all the information I needed. I headed for the house to find a vacuum remover and settled on two sections of yesterday's paper.

How did a mouse get up inside the umbrella? I thought. Did I squash it when I closed the thing last night, or did it climb in later? What kind of mouse scales glass and wrought iron to hang out

anyway? A rabid crazy one, that's what. And why does unpleasant phenomena always seem to occur when I'm sleep-addled and least

equipped to deal with it?

Experience has taught me that when faced with disposing of a body, it's best to be quick and not give it too much thought. The heebie-jeebies can escalate into the whammies and before you know it, you're contemplating all manner of dire solutions, including arson.

I took a few practice scoops with the folded paper, keeping the subject in soft focus. It couldn't weigh much. I could shovel it up and then what? I returned to the house for a wastebasket with a plastic liner. Okay.

Juxtaposing the creased classifieds with the sports section, I teased them together under the unfortunate beast. "Eek," it said, and spread one sticky black wing in protest.

"EFFFFF!" I responded, suddenly aware of what I was dealing with. I abandoned the project and retreated a few steps to reconsider.

I'm afraid of bats. It has a little

to do with Dracula and a lot more to do with close-up photographs I've seen of their feral fanged faces captured in mid-scream. The way they use the tips of their wings like diabolical crutches and their nose - Dear God, their nose!

It's a phobia, and there is nothing that can be done to chide a phobic into rational thought. Logic is lost on someone rotating within a fear cycle. We tend to be irrational when confronted by our worst nightmare. It's the nature of the beast.

My dilemma squirmed a little and tucked the jostly limb back in, obviously perturbed by the interruption of its REM repose. It was lethargic, which would work in my favor.

Before I could chicken out, I laddied it into the newspaper trough and headed for the railing, stuttering "ugh, ugh, ugh" and moving as if I were walking on hot coals.

The cargo writhed fretfully

and I had time to imagine that it might rally on instinct and make a break for it.

As it rose, I would, of course, run right into it and it would cling to my face like a life preserver before I crashed through the railing and plummeted, probably not to my death, but certainly to my extreme discomfort, a bat muffled my screams.

I reached the rail without incident and dropped my nightmare over the side. I watched with a combination of revulsion and relief as it spread its wings and floated to the ground in a lazy spiral, where it would wait, I supposed, for nightfall.

It would wait, breathing through the horrible slits, flexing the leathery membranes connected to its appendages. It would be hale and hearty by sundown, but my shirt, to be sure, would be forever diminished.

Write to Christine Gwidt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com

LETTERS to the editor

Big thanks

Editor,

A big thanks to the Charlevoix city cemetery crew that tends to the maintenance and up-keep of St. Mary's Catholic cemetery. It's a pleasure going there several times a week to water the flower planters on our family graves. I especially want to thank Bob McGhee, the cemetery sexton, for his kindness and all the time he spent with me reviewing our cemetery plots. Also Mrs. Klooster at City Hall. We are very fortunate to have people such as these employed by our city.

Edith Olach Cloe
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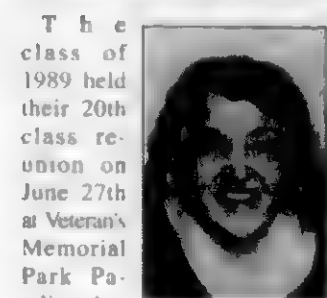
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News around the neighborhood



NEIGHBORS

Nancy Northup

The class of 1989 held their 20th class reunion on June 27th at Veteran's Memorial Park Pavilion. Approximately 143 classmates, family and former teachers attended.

Brian Ledahl and Nate Clark both traveled the farthest from California to join their classmates. The class wishes to thank everyone involved in making this event a huge success. This was the first reunion for the class of 89 but it won't be the last.

IST Lt Aaron Sulak of the United States Army was home on a 2-week leave, visiting his mother, Nancy Donaldson and family here. A 2002 graduate of Boyne City High School, Aaron continued his education at Grand Valley State, which included the Officer's Training Program. Returning to duty at Fort Leonardwood, GA, he will be deployed to Iraq.

Friends from the BC1HS class of 1958 met for dinner at Brann's Steakhouse in Grand Rapids on Wednesday, June 24. The whole gang was present after a long

winter and busy spring. Present was Bob & Kathy Christensen, Fred & Kns (Rouse) Shassberg, Jerry & Nancy Green, Carol (Reinhardt) Heffington, Nelda (Kindy) Stanley, and Paul & Judy (Gunderson) BCHS class of 1960 Cobb. It was good to see everybody again. Next month's dinner will be at the Corner Bar in Rockford on July 22.

If you're in the area, join us for one of the world famous Corner Bar hot dogs!

Merle and Mary Carson attended the graduation party of their twin grandchildren in Grand Blanc, Morgan Ryan Pantillo, on June 20. They also had a great time on Sunday at daughter Karen's, enjoying a Fathers Day BBQ & a pool party. They stayed till Monday to get a visit in with Grandson, Chris Lang before he returned to Charleston, S.C.

Louise and Debbie Matejko are excited that their daughter Angela and her family are moving back to Boyne City from Georgia next Monday.

CWO Kevin Crandall has been home from Iraq for a well-deserved two-week visit with his family.

Charlotte Gregory of Arkansas, cousin Florence Griffin of Scottsville, Alabama, and brother Art Clark of Pellston, were visitors this past week of Leona Burrows at Deer Meadows.

The Hallman's of Boyne City went to Starved Rock, 80 miles west of Chicago, to join

other families from Kentucky, Illinois, Ohio, Boyne Falls, Petoskey and St. Joseph, Michigan, for fun time family reunion.

A warm "Welcome Neighbor" goes out to Steve Sage who moved into Deer Meadows over the weekend. The same sentiments go out to Walter Charon, a new resident at Litzenger Place.

Edna May happily hosted the annual Northup family reunion potluck picnic party on the beautiful 4 of July. All 5 of her children, grandchildren, great grand's, a niece, her husband, son in law and their grandchildren and family pets, and friends all came in from Germany, Florida, Ohio, Indiana, Midland, Sterling Heights, Alto, Clare, Marshall, Boyne Falls and Boyne City.

Two brothers told the same rare sight story that happened early that morning.

Both brothers had spotted a wolf at the edge of the woods, right where a deer had been just before that.

Hopefully, the deer got away, as they both shot back into the woods. Many were able to stay for the awesome fireworks display seen from the deck. A "Best" in a long time family day it was!

The BCHS All School Reunion on July 3 was a great success.

In spite of Friday's cooler weather and the huge crowds at the carnival and flea market, many faithful alumni gathered at the pavilion.

Midie White Ackland represented the class of 1939 and it was Wayne Avery of Kansas City, MO for the class of 1990. It is good to see this event growing each year, thanks to Ann Parks, Bunny Garlock and the rest of the committee.

Paula and Wayne Avery was here from Kansas City, Mo. visiting with parents Bill and Jeanette Avery and sister Deana for the holiday weekend.

Wayne arrived the weekend before, in time to run in the Charlevoix Marathon, and then

also ran in the Boyne City 4th of July Run.

Scott Sutliff and Dan Baer of Berkeley, Calif., was here for a couple of weeks over the fourth visiting his parents, the Oral Sutliff's.

On Sunday, July 5, the Sutliff's hosted a cookout for 25 or more family and friends.

Everyone enjoyed the great weather, and some cousins met their cousins they had not seen since they were young kids—

How time flies.

Both sons, Gary and David Gimm of Lansing, their families and friends, about 14 people altogether, spent the wonderful fourth of July with mom and grandma Jean Gimm.

Items of interest for Nancy's Column may be called into Nancy's home phone (231) 582-9174 or send e-mail to neighbors@gtakes.com before her every other Wednesday deadline for the Charlevoix Courier.

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The monsters are coming...to a theater near you

What would you do if Frankenstein, the Mummy and Wolfman moved into your neighborhood?

Charlevoix's amateur movie-making group hopes you'll come out and see when they unveil their second feature-length movie for two showings during Venetian Week.

"This story is about a group of monsters that move into the neighborhood and find they're not exactly welcome," said co-producer Matt Smith.

The comedy, entitled "Monsterhood," follows the troupe's self-described campy sendoff of action movie spoofs with a new take on 1950s horror movies.

"We got inspiration from the Monster Squad movie and just wanted to do something with the classic monsters," Smith said.

Fans of Dracula, don't despair, he plays one of the bad



George Scholey as "William" in the local film maker's new movie "Monsterhood."

guys. "He (Dracula) plays a bumbling bad guy who is trying to catch up with Frankenstein because in one of

the original Dracula movies he was created to be his ultimate killing machine and he wants him back," said di-

rector of photography and editing George Scholey who also plays a retired marine named William who desperately wants the monsters out of his 1950s Charlevoix neighborhood.

Monsterhood utilizes a smaller cast of characters, but Scholey said the movie required more work due to the special effects.

"Mine probably took an hour," said Smith of his make-up and latex pieces called "appliances." "Getting the appliance on is fine, but makeup itself took quite a bit because you have to work it into the hairline and blend it well."

The cast includes The Mummy, Kevin Evans; Frankie/Dr. Frankenstein, Keith Patrick; Wolfie, Matt "Boots" Smith; Drac, Ben

Macks; Larry, Scott Barta; Zoe, Kaitlin Loviska; Sheriff, Mike Patrick; Deputy Daniels, John Heise; Henry, Jim Sheppard; Francine, Laura Borths; Buzz, Nate Bartlett; and Beatrice played by Jessica Dominic.

The movie will be shown at 2 p.m. on Saturday July 25 and Sunday July 26 at Charlevoix Cinema III. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

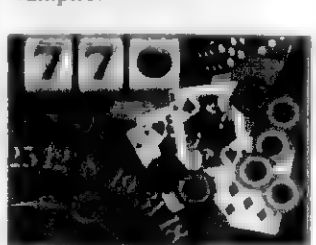
See a teaser of the movie at <http://www.myspace.com/monsterhood>.

Smith said the cast and crew couldn't have made the movie without help from a local home interior store where the bulk of the interior scenes were shot.

"Absolutely this movie wouldn't have been made

without Bartlett's," he said. "We were thinking how we were going to set up like 1950s homes and you can't just go use somebody's house and decorate it and keep it like that for two months."

The movie was written by Macks who plays Drac the vampire.



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Past perfection

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
PAST PERFECT

When Jerry Balch saw an ad for the body of a 1955 Chevy Bel Air on a Midland flea market bulletin board in 2002, he was interested enough to drive down to Grand Rapids to take a look.

"It was just the body - that's it," he said. "And it was painted red."

But Balch had a history with that particular make and model.

"I had another '55 Bel Air 30 years ago," he said. "I drag raced it just about every Sunday in Kalava."

The renovation promised to be a lengthy project, but Balch was smitten. His wife Joanie encouraged him to buy it, and that decided the matter.

It took five years to restore the shell to a mid-century masterpiece. Balch dismantled, sanded down to the metal and primed all of the pieces individually.

A lot more sanding was required to bring back a showroom shine to the original stainless steel bumpers. The

flashy two-tone paint is a deep fedora pearl and cream.

"That cream is an original '55 color," said Balch. "The other is a 2001 Chevy truck color called Storm Grey."

Other than the body, everything else on the car is new.

The model's original bench seat was replaced with leather-wrapped buckets and Balch installed a Billet steering wheel on an idditi steering column and LED lights. But the headlight dimmer is still the original metal step-switch on the driver's side floorboard.

"I have a friend in Bayshore who helped a lot with the restoration," said Balch. "It was up on a chair tranny for a long time."

Joanie and Jerry Balch are two of the founding members of the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club.

Their 1955 Chevy Bel Air will be displayed July 18 in East Park during the club's seventeenth annual car show.

Balch's interest in classic road machines began in high school. He has rebuilt "probably a dozen, or so" vintage

cars. His current project is another Chevy Bel Air - a 1962 bubble top.

"It's the car in the Beach Boys' song," said Balch, explaining that the model was named for its huge 409 cubic-inch engine.

An ode to the dual-quad Chevrolet, "409" topped the charts in 1962.

The gunning growl heard on the recording is said to be a friend's souped up 409 captured on a hand-held tape recorder in singer/songwriter Brian Wilson's driveway.

Balch acknowledged that his hobby has gained momentum over the years. He currently has "a couple of pole barns" of vintage cars that he hopes to restore.

During the interview his wife slid behind the wheel of the '55 Bel Air, closed the door with a solid, satisfying chunk, and turned the key in the ignition. At the throaty rumble of the engine, Balch closed his eyes for a moment and grinned.

"It gets so the more you do, the more you want to do," he said.



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE GWDIT

Two founding members of the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club, Jerry and Joanie Balch, will cruise to the park in their renovated '55 Chevy Bel Air for the club's annual car show July 18.

ohBOIX!

A collection of prizes, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people

Calvin College
Calvin College recently announced the following area students who earned recognition on the spring 2009 Dean's list.

Kyrin J. Osterhouse, a junior majoring in Art and Art History, is the daughter of Mark and Sharon Osterhouse of Boyne City and graduated from Concord Academy Boyne, and Jessica L. Roberts, a sophomore majoring in Biotechnology, is the daughter of Richard and Roxann Roberts of East

Jordan. She graduated from East Jordan High School.

Anderson University
Nathan Kyle Turner of Charlevoix recently was awarded a degree from Anderson University, Anderson, Ind., on Saturday, May 10.

Eastern University
Lisa M. Franzoni made the dean's list for the past two semesters with a 4.0 grade or better in all classes this past year. She is the daughter of Deb and Al Franzoni of Charlevoix.

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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE
2009 JUL 15

What's happening at the Library?
JATL: Jazz @ the Library
Wednesday, July 15, 7:00 pm
The Creation of Jazz featuring special guests - Claudia Schmidt, Steve Little and Steve Sandner. Bring your own chair and enjoy an evening of jazz in a relaxed atmosphere.
Quilters and Friends
Thursday, July 16, 10:00 am - noon
Join other quilters for a work session and sharing ideas - bring your project and machine!
Measure of the Heart w/ Mary Ellen Geist
Thursday, July 16, 6:30 pm
Meet this journalist and author who becomes on the gifts of coming home to care for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease.
SRC Activities
Thursday, July 21, 6:30 pm
Birth - 3 yrs old
Kindermusik from 6:30 - 7:00 pm
4-5 yr olds
Kindermusik from 7:15 - 7:45 pm
Grades K-4
Use all the fun supplies at the summer's best rate!
Grades 5-8: "Night at the Improv" - Learn about improvisational acting - just like the show "Where Line is a Anyway?"
French Conversation Circle
Thursday, 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Everyone welcome to come and practice your French skills!
Spanish Conversation Circle
Tuesdays 8:00 - 8:30 pm
Join others for an hour of conversation in Spanish and come back each Tuesday through the summer.
Writers Group
Wednesday 8:00 - 9:00 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.
Story Time
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
ages 3-5 through age 5
Play "Ms. Laura Says" - listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with friends and family!
Booktalkers get ready
August 3rd
We'll be talking about the Jane Austen classic, Pride and Prejudice.
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OBITUARIES

Catherine May Lord: June 15, 1918 - July 11, 2009

Catherine May Lord, 91, of Norwood, died Saturday, July 11, 2009 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

She was born June 15, 1918 in Charlevoix, the daughter of William and Kate (Van Dusen) Lord.

On May 8, 1937, she married Stanley Lord in East Jordan. They lived in Lansing for four years before making their home in Norwood.

Catherine was a homemaker who enjoyed cooking, canning, and baking. She also

enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and quilting. She was a loving mother and grandmother, Sunday School teacher, and 4-H leader. She was a member of Norwood United Methodist Church, Norwood Historical Society, and Norwood Area Knitting Club.

Surviving are her daughter-in-law Nancy Lord (Jack) Vanniman of Central Lake; grandchildren Kate Lord and fiancé Stephen Parfitt of Elk Rapids;

Jesse Lord and friend

Stephanie Gilbert of Lake Ann; step-grandchildren Carl (Stephanie) Vanniman of Central Lake, Neil (Jen) Vanniman of Brighton; step-great-grandchildren Finch and Kaitlyn Vanniman; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son Michael Lord in 1996, her husband Stanley in 2000, sisters Hazel Publow, Frances Wolter, infant Ruth Richardson, Marjorie Baumbach, and brother Martin Richardson.

Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth on Monday, July 13.

The funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, at the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Chris Wallace officiating. Burial will be in Norwood Cemetery.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions, the family suggests Good Samaritan Family Services in Ellsworth or the Norwood Historical Society.

DEATH NOTICE

Burton M. Orvis: Died June 10, 2009

Burton M. Orvis, 72, of Flint, and formerly of Charlevoix, died Friday, June 10, 2009, in Flint.

A graveside service will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 15, at the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

The Reverend Todd Thompson of the Charlevoix United Methodist Church will officiate.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is in charge of arrangements.

Volunteers needed

Hospice of Northwest Michigan in partnership with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, which serves Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals who would like to join its family of hospice volunteers.

Hospice will be conducting a volunteer training program starting on Monday, July 20.

The session will run for four weeks, meeting from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Wednesdays. The classes will be conducted at the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield St. in Charlevoix.

The first session will give an overview of hospice, and the admission process to the hospice program. Each session will deal with a different aspect of training — grief and bereavement, spiritual care, communication skills, understanding the family, care and comfort measures, and ethical issues.

Hospice volunteers provide a variety of services — including respite care to the terminally ill and their family. Anyone who has been a caregiver knows how important it is to have some time for themselves — and our hospice volunteers provide this very needed help by staying at the home so the caregiver can get away, or just rest.

Volunteers provide much help, whether it is with patients, in the office, or helping with fundraising — they are truly the cement of the hospice program and make it possible.

Basic requirements are must be 18 years of age, had no sig-

nificant loss in the past year, willing to make a commitment to the Hospice Program, complete the Hospice Basic Training Program, and willing to submit to background check and drug screening.

Call Hospice of Northwest Michigan office (547-7748) if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

For further information, e-mail info@hospicenwm.org or go to www.hospicenwm.org.

Charlevoix Venetian Festival 2009 KID'S DAY

Thursday, July 23
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Lake Michigan Beach

Carnival (Mason St.) 2:00-10:00 p.m.
(\$15 armbands)

Family Fun & Activities
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The Venetian Board wants all our children to take part in Venetian Kids' Day 2009
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- Conservatory of Dance, 10:15 performance
- Ragamuffin Children's Theatre & Circus, 11 & 1:30 performances
- Josh White, Jr. - Children's Concert, Noon performance
- "Twelve for Twelve" Ballroom Entertainment
- Kookaburra the Clown Entertainment
- Penny Zoo
- Camp Dagger Adventure Activities
- Bubble Land - Hands on fun!
- Musical Painting by Charlevoix Children's House
- 3 Legged Sack Race
- Bean Bag Toss Game
- Face Painting & Temporary Venetian Tattoos
- Free Popcorn & Balloons

Activities that require a kid's day Armband:

Kid's Day Wristband \$5.00 each

- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Learn The Elephant Kites
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Pony Rides (two rings)
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Crab Test Kneading
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Giant Inflatable Fun!
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Mongoose The Mechanical Bull!
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Raptor Jump Home

For additional information, go to Armband booth.
* Please note that due to our limited time frame, we cannot guarantee that each child will be able to participate in all events or rides.
Carnival opens at 2:00, \$15 armbands.

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Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 85211 Main St. • Charlevoix	ELLSWORTH WESLEYAN CHURCH Corner of Elm & Park • Ellsworth
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.	Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship including the 16th St. of the Week 6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.	Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
Church Office 547-4438	Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 588-7455
BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Elmore Road	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 283 E. Upright
Church School 9:00 a.m.	Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.	Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Michael Maurer 536-2161	Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.
BELLFLOWER REFORMED CHURCH 8833 Church Road, Ellsworth	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH M-44 across from Post Office
Worship 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff	Worship 10:30 a.m.
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH 11996 U.S. 31 North	Church Office 547-4121
Summer Worship Service 9:30 a.m.	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BAY SHORE U.S. 31 North
pastor: John A. & 2nd St. north-west Spm. Worship	Worship & Children's Workshop 9:00 a.m.
Rev. Michael L. Tomlinson 547-9446	FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 85855 M-44	181 State St. (at Park Ave.)
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.	Worship 11:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study Tuesday 10:15 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	Church Office 547-9122
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.	CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 12023 Walker Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31)
Pastor: James D. Green 547-4300	Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 184 State Street	Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.	Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5731
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.	COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD 282 W. Harbor
R. & Adult 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5168	Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 12023 Walker Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31)	Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.	Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.	Church Office 547-5731
Wednesday Meeting 7:00 p.m.	COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH of Charlevoix
Reading Room - Wednesday 7:30-9:30 p.m.	Mary 31 & Meade • Charlevoix
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 6429 N. M-44	Sunday Services 8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Services 10:00 a.m.	Church Office 547-9462
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.	ELLSWORTH CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 9321 Main St., PO Box 217 • Ellsworth
Preschool & Relief Society 12:15 p.m.	Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Young Men/Women 7:00 p.m.	Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.	ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 1803 Bridge Street
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Evening Service 6:00 p.m.	Sunday Morning Mass 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.	Evening Mass 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5731	Sunday Masses 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
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ELLSWORTH CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 9321 Main St., PO Box 217 • Ellsworth	Sunday Evening Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.	Pastor: Carol (Pete) Annison 547-4283
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 1803 Bridge Street
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LETTERS to the editor

Charlevoix/Emmet Pink Ribbon Ride

Editor:

The 7th Annual Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride was held on Saturday, June 20, 2009.

The possibility of rain may have deterred some, but we still had 205 participants show up and help us raise \$28,491. This is overwhelming considering the state of our economy. This money will provide both the Circle of Strength through Charlevoix Area Hospital and Northern Michigan Regional Hospital's Breast Health Fund with a substantial donation to help promote awareness, fund programs in early detection and education, provide support for women and their families, and make available mammograms and ultrasounds for under and uninsured women in Charlevoix and Emmet County.

In the past year these groups have provided mammograms to 61 women, with 12 of them receiving ultrasounds and MRI's. Additionally four women were able to get diagnostic biopsies. This was accomplished without the stress and worry of how they were going to pay for it. In these uncertain times when everyone is cutting back and downsizing, it is comforting to know there is somewhere to turn.

This year our top fundraiser was Karla Stokel of Petoskey, who won the Trek Cruiser Classic donated by Bo Mayfield at North Coun-

try Cycle Sport. We had some terrific prizes again this year and the riders themselves brought in more than \$17,000.

I extend my personal thanks to so many of the businesses in Boyne City, Charlevoix, East Jordan and Petoskey, without whom we could not have put together this ride. Their donations of funds, goods and services, especially in this economy, make it possible for us to put on this event and keep our expenses to a minimum year after year. I would like to single out four businesses, North Country Cycle Sport, BC Pizza and Bikes, Cycling Center of Boyne City and Revolution Bike of Charlevoix for their unwavering support of this event. Also a special thanks to Angie and the crew at Charlevoix Screen Masters and Mark from Signs, Letters and Graphics in East Jordan — you always come through for us.

Finally I extend my deepest thanks to Kathy Jacobson from Charlevoix Area Hospital and Therese Green from Northern Michigan Regional Hospital; Kim Stevens, Dee Vincent, Gay Pung and Kay Holley from the Circle of Strength; Diane Gorkiewicz, Candy Greene, Helen Truchan, Missy Elder, Kim and Jessie Corp, Rod Stevens, Bob Roloff and staff, Bo Mayfield, Michelle Rick-Biddick, John McCloy, Cheryl Hofweber, Terri Reynolds, Pat McNulty, Paul Nicholls, Bonnie Brunett,

Mary Siegwart, Lori Cheadle, Kathy McDonald's family, as well as my family, especially my husband Bill and my daughters-in-law, Kendra and Melanie. Our success is due to their steadfast belief in what we are trying to accomplish — that is that early detection saves lives and providing the funds to help make it so.

I hope you will join us for next year's Pink Ribbon Ride on Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Susan B. Morris
Event Chairperson

There needs to be

rules

Editor:

As a summer resident, boater, dad, son, I would like to comment on the timing of the fountain operation.

I always understood that the fountain was for the kids to enjoy. Certainly there needs to be rules but if the boaters can't stand the noise of kids laughing and splashing for a few hours than maybe make those few spaces only for short term shoppers docks. I am sure the city council can find a way to balance the schedules so it is fair to all. My vote is for the families and the kids. By the way mine are all grown up.

Bob Kelly

Support Venetian
Editor:
The 79th Venetian Festival is here and if you are one of the many who enjoy it, we need your support very

much.
The costs associated with the event are \$250,000.

The four largest expenses are fireworks, insurance, kid's day and music, most of which have no practical way to charge admission.

Some may not realize that, unlike the Cherry Festival and others, the Venetian Festival is organized and managed by an all volunteer group of people.

Venetian is not run by the city or chamber, even though both contribute in many ways as do the surrounding townships.

We are acutely aware of our tough economic times, however, if those who do enjoy and participate in Venetian could just give \$25 to \$100 for a week's worth of entertainment for the entire family, we would not have to beg others for thousands.

For those that are able, we need you to contribute a reasonable amount for your

family circumstances.

For those unable this year, you are always welcome to enjoy all events, and hopefully you will find yourself in a position to contribute next year.

We have all seen articles in the paper explaining that communities three times the size of Charlevoix could not raise one-tenth of our budget for their Fourth of July fireworks. Our insurance alone is more than what they could not raise.

I think that speaks vol-

umes about the kind of support this small town shows.

Please send your donation today to Venetian Festival, P.O. Box 120, Charlevoix, MI 49720, so we are not forced to make significant cutbacks to our 79th Venetian Festival.

Venetian has become a homecoming for the entire community and we need your support to make sure the tradition continues.

John Winn
Venetian Festival Inc. director

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Get your motor running

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club hosts a "Cruise to the Fountain" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 18, in East Park.

This is the club's 17th annual car show—a summer highlight for car enthusiasts throughout the state, with all proceeds donated to local charities and non-profit groups.

"Seventeen years ago my neighbor kept bugging me about

how we ought to start a car club," Sheriff Don Schneider said. "I told him, 'so start one.' What he meant was that he wanted me to do it."

Schneider and several others with an appreciation for memorable road machines did just that with his 2006 red Corvette.

Since their inception in the summer of 1992, the club has raised more than \$80,000 to return to the community.

In 1996, they added a high

school scholarship fund. The amount has grown from \$500 to \$2,000, and is awarded to further the education of a deserving student of auto mechanics.

Launching the festivities is the Friday Night Cruise-In.

Live music from The Fabulous Oldies but Goodies Rock and Roll Band plays finger-popping favorites from the 50s and 60s from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on July 17 in East Park.

The crème-de-la-crème of meticulously restored classic cars is augmented by an all-day lineup of entertainment including music, limbo, hula hoop and bubble gum blowing contests, 50/50 drawings and door prizes.

At 3 p.m. there will be a live auction of items donated by local businesses.

Proceeds from the auction are donated to Camp Quality, benefiting children with cancer. Awards are presented to participants in more than 30 categories, from Diamond in the Rough

to Best in Show.

A People's Choice award honors the car receiving the majority of votes from the spectators.

The deadline to cast a ballot is 2 p.m.

Admission is free to the public. Cars may be registered on the day of the show from 9 a.m. to noon.

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9th Annual Helen Open

The Helen Open Steering Committee and Hospice of Northwest Michigan are pleased to announce the 2009 Helen Open, the ninth annual golfing event which is held in honor of Helen Weislik.

Last year, community support of this event helped the "smallest little tournament" in town raise another \$19,000, bringing the total raised and donated to Hospice of Northwest Michigan in memory of Helen Weislik to almost \$100,000.

For those who may not be familiar with this event, the Weislik family has owned the townhouse bar for over 45 years, and this tournament was established as a lasting tribute to Helen Weislik, who dispensed spirited advice as freely as she dispensed spirits.

Several generations of Charlevoixans have benefited from Helen's caring and commitment to the community.

In keeping with her dedication, the proceeds from the 2009 Open will again be directed to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, to support the tremendous services they provide to area residents. The proceeds from this tournament stay in Charlevoix County!

Although the teams have been filled, there is still time to support the cause by sponsoring a hole.

Donations of as little as \$20 go a long way toward the support of this cause.

Hole sponsorships are available in \$50 and \$100 increments.

Donations in excess of \$50 will be acknowledged with complimentary drink tickets at the Townhouse.

This year's Helen Open will be on Sunday, Aug. 16 at the Charlevoix municipal course.

Signs with donor names will again be printed and placed on the course, and every donor will be acknowledged in the printed program.

A bratwurst picnic will be available on tournament day for a donation of \$10 per person—advance tickets will be available at the Townhouse.

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Northern Lights school fundraiser

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Charlevoix Resident, Teller, Camp Quality Teen Camp Director

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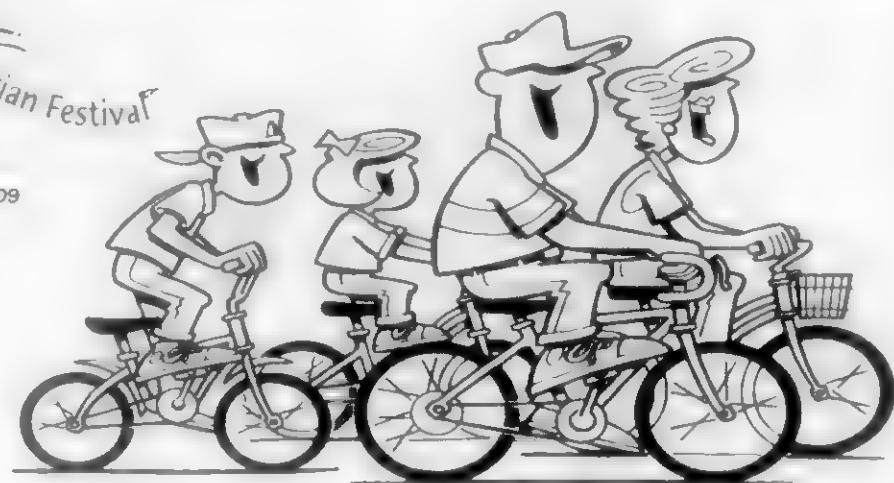
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Still time for adventure at Camp McSauba

Camp McSauba started in 1976 as a day camp and is run by the City of Charlevoix Recreation Department on the 80-acre natural setting of Mt. McSauba Recreational Area.

The camp provides local and vacationing boys and girls with a quality program which offers the camping experience at a reasonable cost.

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Camper try their hand at archery, BB gunnery, field sports, campfire programs, sand castle building, swimming, arts and crafts and many other activities.

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At the overnight, the kids enjoy roasting hot dogs around the fire.

The younger kids make s'mores and the older kids have the option of visiting the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Then it's time to settle in their sleeping bags and dream about the pancake breakfast

rustled up by the Counselor's on Friday morning.

After the kids pack up and find their lost items, every child receives an award at the Awards Ceremony held at 11 a.m. with friends and family to appreciate their accomplishments.

The counselors work hard to provide many activities and adventures for the children and weekly themes that appeal to kids are planned.

Still on tap for the season are "Fun Factor", "Aloha" Camp Hawaii, "Camp Olympics" and a camp favorite, "Wacky Week."

Most sessions are five days,

from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Mondays to Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Thursday through Friday, with Thursday the overnight.

A limited number of scholarships are available to allow area children the opportunity to attend camp despite financial hardship.

Camp cost is \$85 per week with Before and After Care an additional \$30 per week.

If you would like to register for camp or inquire about scholarships, please contact the Charlevoix Recreation Department at 547-3253 or visit the "parks and recreation" link at www.cityofcharlevoix.org.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Sports a passion for 'Dean' of Venetian Games

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

After a lengthy career as an athletic director, coach and teacher, Dean Davenport has turned his energy and enthusiasm for sports loose on Venetian.

Once merely two events, the Venetian Games line-up now boasts everything from sailing and basketball to croquet, golf and an elite one-mile footrace for thousands of dollars in cash prizes.

"The City of Charlevoix was revamping and trying to decide whether to have the Venetian Festival or not because of the firework tragedy," Davenport said. "They had several forums and community talks that were well attended and it was evident to me that Venetian was critically important to people—if they lived here, their family and friends came back to visit; if they moved away, they would come back to see friends."

While Davenport was focusing on the discussions he was asked to join the Venetian Festival Board of Directors.

"I thought, 'What can I do? What can I bring to the table?' and then it dawned on me with my athletic background, why not start the Venetian Games," he said. "They were already doing several events anyway: the annual Venetian road race and the three-on-three basketball, so I just started with those two and



COURTESY PHOTO

Dean Davenport (pictured left), the "Dean" of the Venetian Festival Games, is seen here working on the Charlevoix Junior Golf Program he started more than a decade ago. Davenport is an integral part in the success of the Venetian Games from two events back in the 1990s to more than a dozen today.

we've built it now to 13 or 14 sports."

Davenport added, "Now it's a week-long athletic contest with tennis, soccer, golf and blades, bikes and boards, a new event this year."

Highlights of the individual events include golf, tennis, the Drenth footrace, swimming, a basketball clinic and the events at the skatepark.

The "Venetian Jam: Bikes, Boards, and Blades" begins with \$10 registration at 2 p.m. for participants on Monday, July 20 at

the city skatepark.

Competition begins at 4 p.m. Audience admission is \$5. Prizes will be awarded to the best skaters and cyclists.

Call Laura Siebe at (231) 675-4505 for more information.

The annual basketball clinic taught by staff of the Detroit Pistons and Shock is scheduled for Friday, July 24.

The cost is \$15 for pre-registration and \$20 on-site. Entrants will receive a team T-shirt and souvenirs.

The clinic will be preceded on July 23 with a basketball shoot-out court for prizes.

Call 547-3872 or 547-0982 for times.

Swimmers of all ages can participate at 3 p.m. on July 22 at the community pool.

Call 547-0982 for more information on registration and fees.

On the morning of July 25, racers will line up for the Jeff Drenth Memorial Footrace. There will be 10 kilometer, five kilometer and one-mile races.

Register ahead of time at www.venetianraces.com or from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on July 24 or 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on July 25 at Lake Michigan Beach.

Later that day the Ryan Shay Mile in downtown Charlevoix will feature some of the nation's top runners in an invitation-only race.

Those enrolled in the Charlevoix Junior Golf Program

will see who the true champion is on July 14, and finals for the week-long tennis tournament are July 23.

"When I retired, friends talked me into starting this junior golf program ... and I said I would do that for two years," Davenport said. "Well, it's my 15th summer and I've just gotten so much enjoyment out of helping young kids learn the sport of golf."

He added, "We do a lot of

stressing of honesty and patience, cooperation, competitiveness—all the things that make a good person. I've found that you can teach that stuff better through golf than anything else."

For more information about these or any of the Venetian Festival games and events, call Venetian Headquarters 547-3872.

Call the city recreation office at 547-3253 for games related questions only.

Davenport said the Venetian Games are an important part of the week-long festival which graces the place he was born and raised.

"The excitement and good feeling that goes along with making people happy and getting them to participate in recreation is a way for me to pay back the debt I feel (because) Charlevoix provided me ... with so many good memories," he said.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Men's slow pitch leagues

Regardless of age, profession or ability, for some, the crack of the bat or the pop of the mitt is a thrill that will never fade.

For those people, that excitement can continue as long as a bat can be swung and a trot around the bases can be completed, thanks to summer softball leagues.

"It's a place to go," said Denny Kruzel, president of the Boyne City men's slow pitch league. "It's not the major leagues, but it's still entertainment for everybody."

In Charlevoix, the men's slow pitch league began the week of Memorial Day and will continue until Aug. 5, with a break during Venetian week and a double elimination tournament starting on July 28.

Some teams may play past Aug. 5 in invitational tournaments as well.

Recreation Director Ike Boss said teams may have as many players per team as they wish, with some having as few as ten, and some having as many as 20.

Because of that, Boss

said there was a special rule made.

"We have a rule that if there are 12 or 13 (players), they can all bat and switch back and forth in the field," said Boss.

To speed up the game, every batter comes to the plate with a ball and a strike already, which Boss said gets people swinging and cuts down on waiting for the "perfect pitch."

Because of the new rule, a game can be easily played in 50 minutes, which allows for more games in an evening.

Almost any age is open to join these leagues, with ages ranging from teenagers to men in their 60s.

The eight-team league meets for games at 6:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, at the ball fields on Carpenter Street, by the airport in Charlevoix.

In Boyne City, their slow pitch league is at nine teams this year, up from seven last year.

Kruzel said the teams began play in early June and will continue until the sec-

ond week of August.

Much like Charlevoix, Boyne City has a wide range of ages, with players in their teens all the way into their 60's as well, though Kruzel said the majority of players are between 25 and 40 years.

He also said teams are usually 13 or 14 players deep, mainly to ensure there are always enough players per team to take the field on a given night.

"There's always a guy or two that has something (going on)," said Kruzel. He said since it is summer, players have vacations planned or other activities that may conflict with games, so the

few extra players per team is a good safety net.

Kruzel also said despite varying records in the league, any of the teams have a chance to win when they hit the field.

"The top teams are pretty competitive with each other, and the lower have played a lot of close games. We've had a lot of real good close games," he said.

Teams play at 6:30 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday evenings in Rotary Park, with a church league playing on Tuesday nights.

Kruzel also said Ellsworth

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Tom and Faye Cross' boat "Wooden Cross" is a 1941 Chris Craft runabout. The 17-foot boat was one of more than a dozen on display at the South Arm Classic Boat and Classic Car Show on Saturday, July 11 in East Jordan.



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Bob Williams brought his 1932 Ford Roadster out from Bay Harbor to put it on display at the South Arm Classic Boat and Classic Car Show on Saturday, July 11 in East Jordan.

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Hundreds of people lined Bridge Street on Saturday July 11 to attend the 41st Annual Craft Show in downtown Charlevoix.

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This metal sculpture of a southwestern sun caught some rays down in East Park during last weekend's craft fair. Sergio A. Barcena of Grossee Pointe Farms creates and sells the pieces.



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Mark Dotson of Designs In Glass stands next to one of his designs made of various colors of glass shards. He and his wife Dawn operate a studio in Holland.



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Bill Antcliff of Lake City reads his Wall Street Journal while his wife shops the 41st Annual Craft Fair in Charlevoix's East Park on Saturday July 11.



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Mike Miller of D&M Wooden Flowers & Wooden Vases shows off some of his wooden lilies. He does the woodwork and his wife paints them.

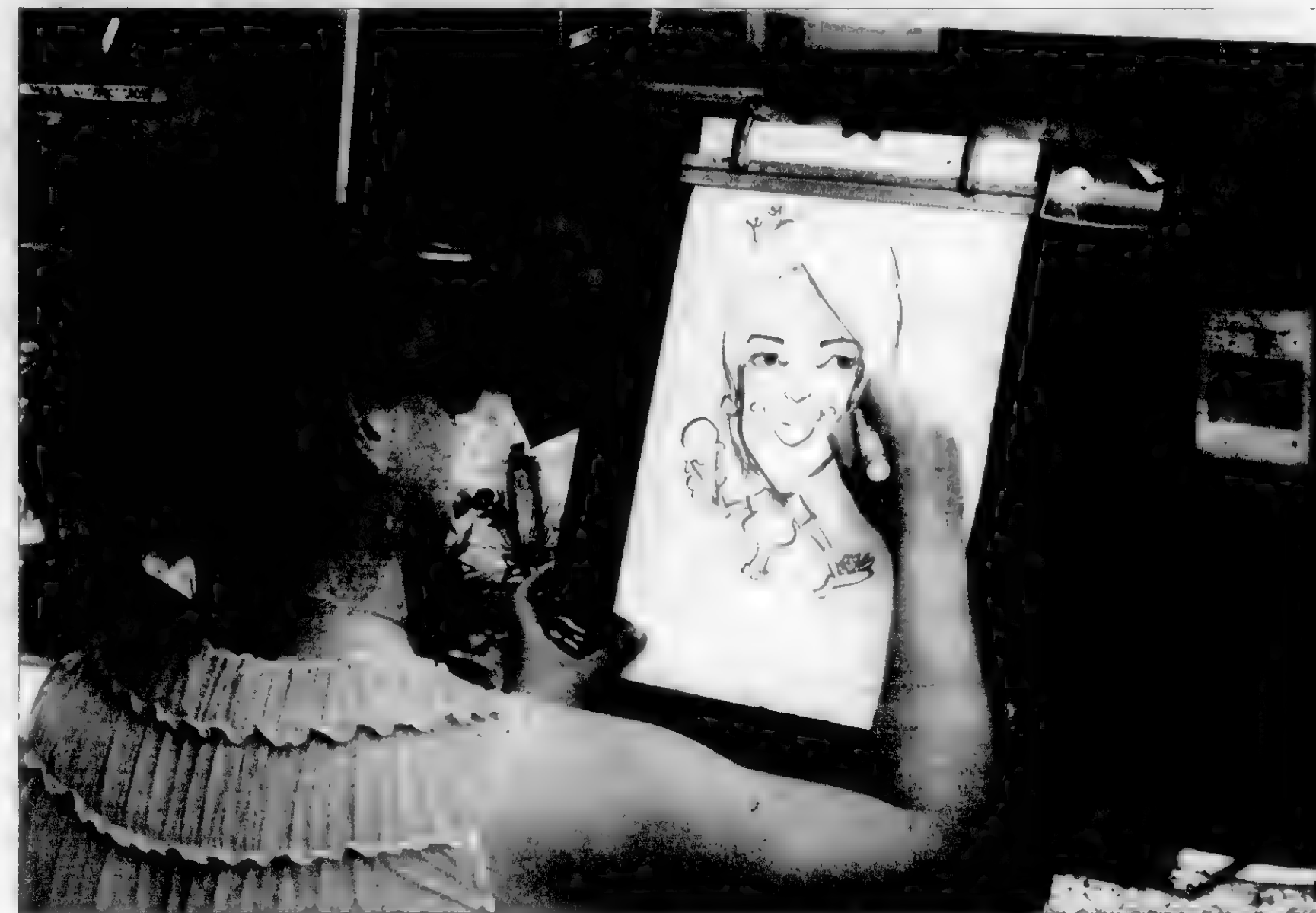


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Debra Adamcik of Adamcikova's About Faces draws a caricature of Andrea Laker of West Bloomfield during the 41st Annual Craft Fair in Charlevoix.



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(Left) Doug and Mary Degraisse are seen in their booth of cedar crafts during the craft fair on Saturday July 11. The Degraisses create everything from benches and tables to chairs, lamps and nicknacks.

These ginger flowers were created by D&M Wooden Flowers & Wooden Vases. The wooden flowers were among items offered by dozens of artisans which included painters, sculptors, cartoonists, crafters, woodworkers and jewelers.

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Bill Brewster of Baltimore, MD, takes a break from cruising the craft fair on Saturday, July 11 with his Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. Brewster joked that the smaller the dog is, the bigger the name.

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Basketball	Saturday, July 18	Ferry Beach	3 on 3 for all ages	9 a.m. at Ferry Beach	Boogie Carlson 675-4561 Lisa Carlson 675-3456
Basketball (Pictus/ Shock Clinic)	Friday, July 24	Charlevoix Middle School Gym	Boys & Girls all ages, 2nd-5th grade 9 a.m. Others: 10:30 a.m.	Pre-register (515) at Venetian HQs, 547-3872; On-site registration (520)	Sarah Titus, 547-3872
Boards, Bikes & Blades	Monday, July 20	City Skatepark	Venetian Jam Open & Underclass Levels	On-site, registration 3 p.m.	Laura Stebe 675-4505
Croquet	Tuesday, July 21	East Park	Youth & Adult Doubles Service Club Challenge	On-site, registration 1:30 p.m.	David Fowler, 547-9314 Dean Davenport, 547-6433
Golf Adult Fairs	Tuesday, July 6	Municipal Course	Young Adult, Men, Women, Senior Fights	Registration at Municipal course	Tom Bennett, 547-4589 237-7844
Golf Youth Fairs	Venetian Week	Country Club & Municipal Courses	Restricted to Junior Golf Program members		Dean Davenport, 547-6433
Beach Footrace	Saturday, July 25	Michigan Beach	10K, 5K, 1 mile, all ages	venetianweek.com at Ft., July 24 4-7 p.m. & Sat. July 25 6:30-8:30 a.m. at Michigan Beach	Matt Peterson 675-4446 547-3407
Sailing Regatta	Wednesday, July 22	Lake Charlevoix	Marty Rees	Reg. Dept form	Rod Timney, 536-3447
Soccer	Tuesday, July 21 (Finals - Wed., July 22)	Shanahan Field	Youth - men, women 3 on 3	Reg. Dept form	Carol Madson, 348-3317 675-3122
Swimming	Wednesday, July 22	Community Pool	All ages	Pre-register at pool before 7/22	Al Good, 547-0982
Tennis Finals	Thursday, July 23	Shanahan Field/ Straud Park Courts	Youth, women, men co-ed, seniors	Reg. Dept form or festival website Pre-registration required	Karen Peters, 547-4368 675-2536
Volleyball	Saturday, July 25 Noon	Ferry Beach	Singles/co-ed	Registration TBD	Chris Seymour, 547-6513

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Nine maids a vying

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tration for health occupation at a dentist office and fell in love with it. A long run goal is to make sure I go out and see the world, meet a lot of people, and just experience life. I don't want to miss out on anything."

Hillary Lutz is the daughter of Jeff and Maria Lutz.

She plans on studying in the educational department at an undecided school.

Lutz also works with the St Mary youth group and plays clarinet in both the marching and concert bands.

"I think it's a great opportunity and I would be honored to be Miss Venetian Queen," she said.

Francesca Sardum is the daughter of Micki and Bob Williams.

She will attend Lake Superior State University where she will study pre-med.

Krista Pischner is the daughter of Michael and Amy Pischner.

She plans on going to nursing school at either Michigan State University or Aquinas College.

"I feel that I can represent Charlevoix very well since I've lived here my whole life and it seems like something fun to do," Pischner said.

Pischner is an athlete in cross country and track at Charlevoix High School in addition to playing flute and cymbals in marching band and concert band.

She wishes to stay successful and keep in touch with many family members and close friends.

Brooke Nemchak is the daughter of Mark and Laurie Nemchak.

She plans to go to college to pursue a Ph.D. in either environmental or forensic science.

Nemchak has been a Rayder athlete and will be a senior class co-president this

coming school year.

"I've always wanted to run for Venetian Queen," she said. "It looks like a great opportunity and fun."

Erica Moses is the daughter of Genia and Tony Moses.

Erica will be a senior at Charlevoix High School next year.

"I want to go into interior design and I'll probably go to Northwestern (College) in Traverse City to get my basics done and then probably transfer to a bigger university," she said. "I've been in girl scouts for 11 years and I've always been like the shy, tomboy girl, but I do more stuff now and I know Charlevoix and I feel like I could represent it really well."

Three judges from outside Charlevoix County will evaluate this year's candidates based on two interviews and an informative speech.

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Board hears animal control, grant application

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners during their July 8 meeting.

Item: Animal control ordinance.

In brief: Commissioners considered the finalized version of the updated animal control ordinance with minor language changes from the previous ordinance during a public hearing as required by law.

Board action: Updated ordinance adopted unanimously.

Item: Approve payment of

monthly bills.

In brief: Expenditures for the previous month were \$1,152,719.68.

Board action: Unanimously approved.

Item: Grant application.

In brief: Charlevoix Sheriff Department request to apply for tribal grant in the amount of \$5,000 to be used for infant/child safety seats, drug screening kits and prescription drug abuse diversion.

Board action: Unanimously approved.

Item: Grant application.

In brief: Community corrections seeks to apply for a grant of \$63,811 for monitoring systems, community service and Harbor Hall drug abuse treatment center.

Board action: Unanimously approved.

Item: Grandvue transfer of operating funds.

In brief: Bill-paying measure to transfer \$39,829.93 from the Grandvue capital depreciation fund to the operating account to purchase a truck at \$21,009.95 and a washer/extractor at \$18,819.98.

Board action: Unanimously approved.

Item: Opposition to SJR-H.

In brief: Commissioners opposed a senate joint resolution

which would lower the tax burden on certain homeowners and potentially shift the tax burden citing, "the reduced revenue to local taxing authorities will likely result in reduced services, increased millage rates or both, which will exacerbate the shift in the relative tax burden."

Board action: Unanimously opposed SJR-H.

What's next for schools

FUNDS

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Biddle said the stimulus funds were supposed to help cover shortfalls in state budgets through 2009-2010, but that that money is being used at a much faster rate than anticipated.

"There is a finite amount of stimulus money and we're hearing (state) revenue's not going to be enough," she said.

Officials from neither

schools will know how much funding they have to work with until the state sets its budget later this fall—and that number can always change depending upon economic conditions in the state.

"We passed a budget last month for 2009-2010 with a deficit of about \$800,000," Janik said. "We can do that for one year, but when it comes time for 2010-2011 we don't have that option again."

Bailey said his school must also plan for the worst in coming years.

"I'm meeting with our administrators and board members to brainstorm because we've got to come up with ways to reduce our costs," he said. "I was a new salary last year and this school may have to go back to part-time teachers doing those duties."

Bailey added, "We'll just have to wait for the other shoe to drop and see what the situation is."



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Gary Stutzman leads the Charlevoix City Band during their first concert in the new Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix's East Park during a night of music and rededication of the pavilion on Tuesday, July 7.

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Charlevoix City Councilman Shane Cole scoops ice-cream during the rededication ceremony of the Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix's East Park Tuesday.

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Official Notice

NORTH COUNTRY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD will hold its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Thursday, July 16, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room, Second Floor, One MacDonald Drive, Suite A, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Anyone who has special needs or information to be brought before the NCCMH Board should contact Joan Booth at (231)347-7890.

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Venetian Beach Bash

An exciting new Venetian event will be staged for the first time this year on Saturday, July 12, 2PM-9PM at Ferry Beach in conjunction with the Venetian 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament which has been moved to July 18th at Ferry Beach. Venetian will stage a Beach Bash for Venetian beach goers and boaters, which will include an AquaPaloza Boating Party and live concert of island music, performed from 3-3:30 p.m. on the Ferry Beach pier.

The Venetian Beach Bash will not only bring a fresh new entertainment offering to Charlevoix, but will also provide an important additional source of revenue to the Festival. The cost of the Venetian Beach Bash has been fully underwritten by new Venetian sponsors and Venetian will also realize the revenues from beverage and food concessions.

Public parking will be available at Ferry Beach, with additional public parking provided at the Charlevoix Street Department and boat trailer yards, at the nearby intersection of Stover Road and Ferry Avenue. Additional public parking will also be available at the Wojan Window and Door facilities on Stover Road. Such additional parking areas will be posted with public parking signage. **Hope to see you at the Beach!**

Friday Night Fireworks

In the midst of excitement surrounding the 2009 Venetian Festival, Venetian has been confronted with a serious challenge in staging one of its signature events, the Friday evening "Night Sky" fireworks display over Lake Charlevoix. Due to tough economic times, the community has been advised that Friday night fireworks will be cancelled unless sufficient contributions are received to fund the same.

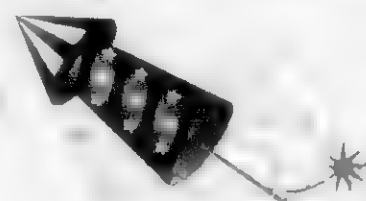
Charlevoix's response has been positive and supportive. Many members of the "Venetian Burgee Club," the community donation wing of Venetian fundraising, have maintained their customary level of Venetian sponsorship or have provided continued donations to the best of their ability. Numerous individuals have contributed to Venetian for the first time. Many others have increased their Venetian donations.

If the current trend should continue, Venetian may be in a position to proceed with Friday night fireworks. Immediate contributions are critical, however, as the Venetian Board only has seven more days to make this decision.

Giving resources back to our community is rewarding and is the true spirit of Venetian. We remain hopeful for a continued positive response, so that Charlevoix may enjoy another sensational Friday night fireworks display and the heartwarming sense of community pride in a job well done.

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Men's slow pitch leagues

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has a Friday night wooden bat league, which is fairly uncommon for summer softball leagues.

In East Jordan however, a lack of participants has resulted in the suspension of the men's summer softball league this year.

Ray Argetsinger, East Jordan's league president, said he was unfortunately forced to make the decision after a lack of response from last year's teams, along with one team's decision to move to a

Petoskey league.

He said it is partly the result of many players having families and wanting to be at their children's games, but not having the time to play in their own games at the same time.

"Seven or eight years ago we had a few teams, but when (the players) get older, they have children getting into baseball and soccer and football at the end of the summer, so they're dropping out because they have children playing," said Argetsinger.

East Jordan does have a nine-team women's league though.

Kelly Woodard, president of the women's league, said despite having four fewer teams than last year, the league still has a lot of community involvement.

The women's league runs through Aug. 24, and there is also a Sunday co-ed slow pitch league in East Jordan as well.

Argetsinger said despite the cancellation of this year's men's fast pitch league, he is working on developing a co-ed fast pitch league in East Jordan next year.

He said he has had positive responses from the women's league as well as other people he has talked to.

For anyone interested in an East Jordan co-ed fast pitch league next year, contact Ray Argetsinger at 547-9626.

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Charlevoix Men's Slow Pitch Standings as of July 13

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Carlson's Home Improvement 10-2
R.G.M. Services 8-3
Flight Deck & Lake Shore Tire 7-4
Wojan Window and Door 5-6
Ace Hardware & Market Tech 3-9
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Boyne City Men's Slow Pitch Standings as of July 10

Above All Construction 13-2
Wilkinson Construction & Breakers Bar 12-2
Gaylord Merchant 11-2
Boyne City Ace Hardware 7-6
BC Pizza 6-6
Golding Construction 3-7
Mel's Team 3-10
Lawn Logic 2-11
PC Lawn Care 1-11

PUBLIC LAND AUCTION

The Charlevoix, Emmet & Osceola County Treasurers will be offering tax-reverted real estate at public auction on July 24, 2009.

The auction will be held at
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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sizema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays in July and August through Sept. 5, at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in July and August. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Dish services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape, no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit their APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle meets at 7 p.m., the second

Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome. do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open in June five days a week 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. The side office door will also be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for those who need to conduct society business or shop the museum store during off hours.

From June 29 to Sept. 5, the museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

East Jordan men's

Fast pitch softball league is looking for teams and players. Call 547-9626, 547-3963 or (231) 536-7943.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Currently

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Berwick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club/Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 4

Art on display
New Works by pastel artist Jerry Power at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South. Call 547-2333 or go to www.cyclingsalamander.com

JULY 16 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visions and Visions."

Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

July 16 - Lavender Hill Farms, 07354 Horton Bay Rd.
July 23 - Kiteley's Farm Market, 3805 Brock Rd.
July 30 - Threx Beach Rd./Antrim Natural Area, Public Beach, and Nature Preserve.

31 To Atwood past Royal Farms
Aug. 6 - Vistas of Lake Bellaire West on Cayuga St. to Bellaire Highway

Aug. 13 - Fred Vemeersch Orchard View, 1344 Vermeersch Rd., Central Lake.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

JULY 15

At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15, the Norwood Area Historical Society invites you to hear Mardi Link a Traverse City author, talk about "Two Michigan Cold Cases: The Stories Behind the Books." R.S.V.P. is required, so please call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion) or 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

JULY 17

Men's chorus
At 12:30 p.m. on Friday, July 17, the Charlevoix Men's Chorus will be performing at the library. Program will include show tunes, spirituals, folk songs, calypso, gospel, oldies, barber shop and more. Guests are welcome to bring a bag lunch to this free event. Lemonade will be provided.

JULY 17 AND 18

Car show
The Charlevoix Street Legends hosts their 17th annual classic car show on July 17 and 18.

The event kicks off with a free concert featuring the Fabulous Oldies but Goodies '50s and '60s rock n roll band at 7 p.m. on July 17 in East Park's new hand shell for the Friday Night Cruise-In.

Registration for the car show begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 18; the show begins at 10 a.m. in East Park. More than 30 prize categories for trucks, cars and motorcycles and additional trophies will be awarded.

An auction to benefit Camp Quality will also be held at 3 p.m. Visit www.streetlegends.net or e-mail bmoran0016@aol.com for more information.

JULY 18

Kickin' Out Cancer
From 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on July 18, there will be a cancer

fundraiser at Iron Horse Farms located at 6310 Ellsworth Road, Ellsworth. There will be live music, an auction and horseshoe contest.

Singles for Christ

At 6 p.m. the "Singles for Christ" invites all singles 40 and older for a picnic potluck on Saturday, July 18 at Historical Depot Beach Covered Pavilion, 307 Chicago St. in Charlevoix.

Enter at the USCG entry RSVP with what dish you will bring so we have a balanced menu.

Remember to bring your own place setting, beverage(s) of choice, lawn chairs, board games, cards, etc.

Come earlier for swimming. R.S.V.P. is required, so please call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion) or 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

JULY 29

Young Life

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29 at the Lake Michigan Pavilion there will be a meeting of Young Life, a worldwide, non-denominational Christian organization, impacting kids' lives for over 70 years. For more information please contact Chip Sauer at (231) 330-5331, Robin McCarty (231) 526-7375 or Greg McDonald at (231) 526-6711 or go to www.younglife.org.

JULY 31 THROUGH AND AUG. 15

Book signings

• noon to 2 p.m. - July 31 meet author, Kristina Riggie and have her sign your copy of the new Charlevoix novel, Real Life and Liars.

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Aug 15 meet the photographer, Michael Barton, author of The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix.

• 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Aug 15 meet the author, Marcy Fisher, and have her sign your copy of Fried Magic. Marcy will be a guest speaker at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.

Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699.

AUG. 1

CHS '74 reunion

The Charlevoix High School Class of 1974 is having a Casual Class Reunion on at 6 p.m. on Aug. 1, at the Charlevoix Estates Clubhouse. Contact anyone that may be interested. It is a bring your own everything event. Contact Debbie at debg20@hotmail.com or 547-3956.

AUG. 3

JULY 22

Start a business
Classes on how to start a business are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance including June 24 at the Boyne District Library, and July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or e-mailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

Charlevoix alumni reunion
The Charlevoix High School Alumni Association will host the third annual All-School Reunion from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 25 in the lower level of the Weather-vane. Tables for this event will be arranged by decade so that alumni can find former classmates, teammates, and

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Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at 6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Call 237-7340 for more information.

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix.

State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations.

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of

God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



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David Chown and the Lookout Cats played World War II-era favorites during the 11th Annual Symphony on the Green fundraiser. This year's event was held at Pelican Airways.

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Den and Tabitha Soulier slow dance during the Symphony on the Green fundraiser to benefit Charlevoix Area Hospital's Community Health Education and Outreach programming. The event was Friday July 10 in the hangar at Pelican Airways in Charlevoix.

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(Above) Dr. Deborah Smith is seen here with Dan Budge in front of an antique army jeep at this year's Symphony on the Green. This year's theme was "Swing, Get Down and Boogie-Woogie," from the World War II-era.

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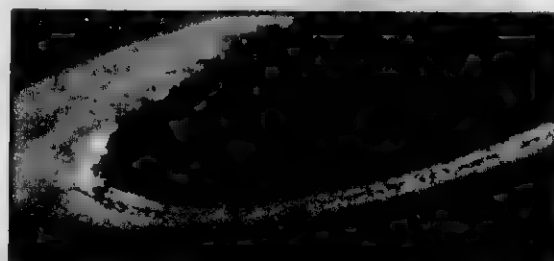


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Reward
for petunia
pluckersBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The last thing Mary Adams expected when she spent several thousand dollars on improvements to Van Pelt Alley was vandalism.

But, sometime late on July 14 or early on July 15, an unknown number of people decided to rip petunias from their pots and strew them about the alley.

"I am offering a \$500 reward for any information that leads to the apprehension or arrest of who did this," she said.

Adams alerted local police as soon as she discovered the scene.

"It's malicious destruction of property," said Charlevoix Police Chief Gerard Doan. "This time of year, if (people) see unusual behavior, please pick up the phone and call."

Doan added, "I would assume this instance happened after 3 a.m. because I have officers down there on foot."

Adams, fearful that someone may next attack the benches and tables she placed in the alley, is taking further precaution.

"We're having three very inconspicuous cameras installed in the alley," she said.

Adams is spending the \$2,000 on the surveillance system to protect the nearly \$3,600 she spent on flowers, pots, benches and tables to "spruce up" Van Pelt Alley.

Adams owns Consign Design, an upscale consignment store at 100 Van Pelt Alley.

"What are my choices? Take everything out of the alley and leave it empty, or invest more money to protect our investment," she said. "You feel violated and it feels like you don't want to believe this kind of thing goes on in Charlevoix, but I guess people with low self-esteem act out this way."

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel said protecting the sizable investment made by volunteers each year to fund the petunia planting is an important job.

"It's probably a great thing for the community to self-police the petunias," he said. "The more eyes on the situation is a good thing."

Adams has spent \$1,500 on three benches, \$1,600 on four chairs and \$100 for each pot of flowers in the Alley.

"I think there is a misconception that these things are funny little kid pranks, and I don't think the parents and kids take this very seriously."

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Beach bash

PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Cleve "Hurricane" Jean Jacques of DeHurricane rocks out on his six-string bass guitar during the Aquapalooza Beach Bash on July 18 at Ferry Beach.

Bump in road takes good turn

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

excited to be traveling north in her cousin's pick-up, on the last leg of the trip.

"We may have been in too big a hurry," Lownds said, explaining that her cousin pulled out off of Resort Pike Road onto

31, "and unbeknownst to me, the tailgate on the truck was left down. A backpack containing more than \$5,000 worth of items — a laptop computer, my textbooks and DVD for telecourse I'm currently taking — fell out of the back of the truck."

The truck's passengers didn't notice the loss until they arrived at their destination. Besides the backpack

Lownds was missing study materials for two continuing education courses she's taking this summer.

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Richard Ager

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BIRTHS

Taryn Ella Carey weighing 8 pounds was born July 9, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Keith and Heather Carey of Charlevoix and Three Rivers. Her sibling is Camden Carey. Her grandparents are Bill and Judy Carey of Charlevoix and Bill and Bobbie West of Hastings.

Draven Zakary Scott weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces was born July 9, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Anelle Kowal and Zakary Scott of East Jordan. His sibling is Kayin Sofia Scott. His grandparents are James and Barb Kowal, David and Corinna Scott, all from East Jordan and Darlene and David Weber of Traverse City.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court: Jeffrey Arthur Eaton, 50, Boyne City. Home invasion, third degree. Sentenced to 180 days in jail; credit for three days; to serve 30 days in jail; to serve 24 months on probation; \$478 in fines and costs.

Joshua Steven Stutzman, 27, Moore Haven, Fla. Operating while intoxicated; operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow; open container in vehicle. Sentenced to 93 days in jail; credit for 34 days in jail; to serve 90 days in jail; \$284 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix

County Clerk's office: Joanns, Old US 31 South, Charlevoix, by Joan Way Not to Shabby, 7234 Rogers Road, Southarm Township, by Lisa Huckle

Charlevoix Rental Company, Foster Boat Works, 101 Michigan Avenue, by Judith K. Winter

Damien Scott Leist, 805 Spark St., Boyne City, by Damien Scott Leist

Bridge Street Salon, 1406 Bridge St., by Erna Elaine Denise

Eternity Home & Cottage Car, 3160 Jaquay Road, Boyne City, by Matthew Bowman

Rising Corporation, 34717 Kings Highway, Beaver Island, by Kevin A. Bousquet

Natural Touch Ceramic & Stone, 00410 Anderson Road, Boyne City, by James M. Hester

Old Fashion Cleaning, 312 West Garfield Ave., Charlevoix, by Cheryl Osborn

Reflections Day Spa, 110 Clinton St., Charlevoix, by Judith Anne Kline

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

David Thomas O'Neill, 26 and Lindsey Marie Narten, 25, both of Lakewood, Ohio

Adam Harry Kovall III, 65, Boyne City and Janis Kay Olson, Venice, Fla.

John Alan Sanders, 27, Petoskey and Amanda Joy Honey, 24, East Jordan

Bryan Gary Perria, 24 and Megan Marie Bultsma, 25, both of Indianapolis, Ind.

Lee Erion Erickson, 43, and Debra Sue Stocum, 51, both of Charlevoix

Randolph Jay Dowker, 30 and Angie B. Owens, 32, both of East Jordan

Richard Marshall Hodgson II, 47, and Perry Elizabeth Irish, 44, both of Charlevoix

Shane Joseph Tison, 23 and Rachael Kimberly Bennett, 25, both of Boyne City

Jeffrey Lee Fanni, 27 and Danielle Renee Looze, 34, both of Boyne City

Ryan David Seeley, 29 and Tara Lynn Reese, 25, both of Boyne City

DIVORCES

The following people were recently granted judgments of Divorce in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County:

James Kenney vs. Kristen Kenny

Jennifer Jean Matkovich vs. Victor George Matkovich

Peggy Gregware vs. Clifford Gregware Jr.

Joni L. Pennington vs. Lucas D. Pennington

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Heads up

John Haggard (left) is pictured with Denny LaCroix before hanging this elk head in the new Eiks Lodge building at the Beacon Center in Charlevoix.

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He wasn't looking for limelight

Special honor for Mr. Venetian

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

He wasn't looking for the limelight, but it found him.

When Dan Barron was told by Charlevoix's Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. that he had been chosen as the 2009 Venetian Festival's Grand Marshal, Barron humbly declined citing other more deserving individuals.

"He refuses to be recognized for all the time he puts into Venetian, but he's done it for over 10 years as president of Venetian (board of directors)," Carlson said. "He (Barron) thought we should get someone more worthy and I couldn't think of anyone more worthy than he is."

After some verbal nudging by Carlson, Barron accepted the honor to ride in the grand marshal's car in the Venetian Parade on Saturday, July 25.

"The day after Venetian ends, he's already thinking about how to make the festival better," Carlson said. "He's taken it from what it

was 11 years ago and made it into a great festival."

Barron said he was honored to be named the grand marshal.

"The true credit goes to my friends and family for their sacrifices for the festival," he said.

According to Barron, his planning for the following year begins well before the end of Venetian.

"The planning process for the 2010 Venetian Festival has already started," he said. "We have ideas well in advance and we use the current festival to visualize some of the things we wish to do in 2010."

Barron added, "We're close to two years out in terms of many musical performers and performances."

Some of Barron's duties include organizing the nearly two dozen committees which oversee games, the carnival, concessions, the Tiki tent bar and stage and more.

"If Dan Barron weren't involved in Venetian, I think the thing might fall apart," said Venetian Board member John Winn. "I don't think the community appreciates the hours and hours he puts



Dan Barron

into it — Dan really leads the charge."

He also acts as liaison to the local governmental entities which support Venetian financially; the law enforcement which acts as security; and the fireworks company and performers.

"I participate in selecting and booking musical acts and confirming and obtaining permits for various matters such as fireworks and establishing our security arrangements," Barron said. "I also have a primary role

in organizing our volunteer committees which work on fundraising activities, kid's day, merchandise and food vendors."

He added that the job could not be done without the countless committee chairmen who "grab the bull by the horns."

Carlson said "Mr. Venetian" Dan Barron's list of duties is nearly endless.

"There are times throughout the year where he goes away to other festivals to learn how other towns do their events to make Venetian better," he said. "I can't even begin to tell you how much he puts into this festival — he's right on top of everything."

Barron has never actually counted, but he said he easily spends hundreds of hours each year working on the festival.

"Generally I am chief cook and bottle washer, but there are between 400 and 500 people who participate as volunteers in one manner or another," he said. "(That) is actually a phenomenal statement as to the level of

volunteerism that's found in Charlevoix."

With festival planning being a year-round effort, does Mr. Venetian get the chance to take time to enjoy the result of his work?

"I relax after the last fireworks shell breaks on Saturday night," Barron said. "The quiet on Sunday morning in East Park (following Venetian) is a beautiful contrast to the prior week's activities."

Barron closed by saying he

loves Charlevoix and people in it.

"This festival brings joy to so many, especially the heartwarming number of family and class reunions," he said.

Venetian Festival thrives due to volunteers and monetary donations. To support the festival send monetary donations to Charlevoix Venetian Festival Inc., P.O. Box 120, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or e-mail info@venetianfestival.com.

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'Dip' in the ocean

"Wow! Look at her duck!" the freckled kid was reputed to have hollered.

Since I was underwater, fighting for my life, I have to take my cousin's word for it. But she said that he seemed genuinely impressed.

The summer before I turned 9, my family went to visit relatives on Long Island. The grown-up-packed sufficient supplies for a week in the Mojave and we set out to spend a day at Jones Beach.

The crashing surf of the Atlantic was a far cry from the placid beaches at home, and buoyed ropes formed a rectangle around the designated swimming area. I turned to bolt toward the water, but my mom grabbed my arm

and smeared a gob of zinc oxide on my nose. "Wait a minute," she said. "The ocean is a lot more dangerous than the lake. I want you to wear this." She produced an inflated child's inner tube with a horse's head blooming from the front.

"Mom, nooooo. That's for babies." Unmoved by my protest, she wedged the thing around my middle. It was so tight that she had to lube me up with Coppertone to get it in place. She was determined to render me buoyant.

My cousin, Mary Alice, stood wreathed in a similar flotation device. Hers was shaped like a turtle and it fit her six-year-old frame the way it was meant to. She had to hang on to keep it from sliding off.

We planted our feet in the water watching the swimmers bob and disappear behind the rolling whitecaps. A freckled kid emerged from the surf in front of us and gave me a critical once-over.

"Ha, ya big dip. How come you gotta wear a baby tube? Can'tcha swim?"

How dare he speak to me that way? How dare he speak to me, period? Muttering something like "Hamumph," I waded in.

I walked until my feet could no longer touch. The horse's head poked me in the face when I bent forward, scooping at the water in a strangled attempt to swim, so I leaned to one side; my nose nearly skimming the surface while I paddled. I didn't even see the wave before it hit and launched me into a spin cycle. My face grazed the sandy bottom before I bobbed back to the surface, upside-down.

I kicked my legs wildly in the air in an attempt to right myself. My arms flailed underwater, too far from the bottom to push myself upright. Although I'd never heard of irony, it was at this point in my life that I understood the concept. The grinning horse head was acting like a rudder, keeping me submerged. "Geezo-Pete," I thought — my mother's favorite swear.

Before I had the opportunity to panic, I felt hands grip and hoist me up into the air.

"Gotta. You're okay," the man attached to the hands told

me. He held me aloft and waded into shore, setting me down on the dry sand. "Where are your folks?"

I pointed to the bivouac of blankets and coolers set up underneath the striped umbrella and he led me by the hand to where the grownups were stretched out in a row, shining like sardines packed in oil. They lay on their backs, oblivious, their eyes screwed tight against the brilliance of the sun, counting the pre-cancerous lesions that would need to be attended to in their later years.

"This little girl got into a lot of trouble out there," he announced. That got their attention and they sat up fast. "She could've drowned."

"Oh my Gawd!" Aunt Jean said. "Sweetheart, ah yew awl-right?"

My mother launched herself off of her towel and nabbed me, crushing my sand-scratched face into the brocade corset of her bathing suit, hugging me hard.

The lifeguard — for he was indeed the lifeguard — synopsised my ordeal and delivered a lecture, emphasizing tube removal,

before returning to his vigilant watch.

My mom tried to wiggle the tube down, and then up, with little success. "Geezo-Pete," she said, uncorking the air valve and allowing the thing to deflate. "Phil, have you got your pocketknife?"

Later, as I stood again at the water's edge, girdled in an angry ring of reddened flesh, the freck-

led kid approached. "That was cool," he said.

"Yeah," I replied without deigning to even glance in his direction. My focus was locked on the line where the sky and the ocean fused — impossibly far, unbearably lonely, wild and unrelenting. I was busy thinking.

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WEEKLY POLL

If you could only enjoy one Venetian Festival activity, what would it be?

Venetian Games (5 Votes, 3%)

Fireworks (111 Votes, 74%)

Carnival (7 Votes, 5%)

Parade (27 Votes, 18%)

This week's poll question: How would you rate the vandalism of petunia flower pots in Van Fell Alley?

• Harmless hijinks

• Frank gone wrong

• Malicious destruction

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Parns Halverson
Charlevoix

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Kids don't always wear a wristwatch.

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Light the way

Editor:
Do you ever wonder if your child is okay crossing Bridge Street? I know we need a light there.

Many people could die by careless drivers today. So I think we (Charlevoix) should get a stoplight at the top of Bridge Street.

Many people could die in this situation. If there were a crash today, and the stoplight wasn't there, the driver would have to deal with all the guilt.

Now, if the stoplight was there, I bet it would possibly stop collisions or crashes from happening.

Not only deaths could happen, but injuries and the pedestrian could sue the driver.

Next, a crosswalk could make parents worry less. I know when-

ever I walk from the middle school to the library, my mother always worries about me. If we don't get a stoplight there it could keep giving parents the thought of their child not coming home.

Also, it could warn drivers before coming into town. Telling drivers to slow down for citizens. It will also slow drivers down, just in general.

Also, cops could find speeders much more easily.

Now, I hope you see how I feel about this problem.

I always fear to see someone's picture in the paper because they died at that spot, because there wasn't a stoplight or crosswalk there.

Thank-you for taking your time to read my paper.

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Well maintained

Editor:
In the July 1, issue of the Courier was printed a letter from S. J. Krehak expressing displeasure with the appearance of Brookside Cemetery at Charlevoix.

Weather conditions have something to do with the cemetery's appearance. This spring and early summer it has been much colder and dryer than in past years causing conditions to be different. In our opinion Brookside is very well maintained.

We normally would not be aware of the ground conditions at Brookside Cemetery except we attended a memorial and dedication service for a new Civil War style head stone there on June 20 for our great-grandfather. This service was a replicate of one provided to a veteran Civil War Soldier. Nine-

teen members of the Robert Finch Encampment #14 Sons of Civil War Veterans from Traverse City, Michigan performed the service.

These members presented the service complete in Union Civil War attire and black powder muskets. Many of them spoke very complementary of the cemetery's condition compared to others they have done this type of service at this Spring.

These members came from Manistee to Pellston.

The service was attended by over seventy of our family and friends. Many of them expressed complements for the very neat maintenance of the Brookside Cemetery. The service was held in the GAR section.

Two of the members of the Robert Finch Encampment #14 previewed the cemetery the first week in May. They were making arrangement for the memorial and dedication service.

They both spoke very com-

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plementary to the appearance of Brookside at that time.

We have found it very easy to criticize others but, we have also found, as we get older, that we should walk in the other persons shoes first. Many times there are reasons for conditions being what they are and/or controlled by others that we are not aware of. Perhaps this is true at Charlevoix.

If there are reasons creating the cause to make S. J. Krehak feel as they expressed themselves in the Courier have they made any inquiry to determine the cause or found out the reasons to support their complaints?

We would like to compliment the maintenance crew, by saying "Thank-you" for providing such a beautiful cemetery for the service on June 20 for our family and friends to honor our great-grandfather.

Jane and Bob Prebble
East Jordan

Summertime in Charlevoix the Beautiful

"Farmers Market is here today!" were the words I heard bellowing in the front door.

It's time to purchase grass fed chicken, pork and lamb and a variety of organic vegetables.

I'll finish it off with a few meli in your mouth scenes and I'm good to go.

Whoops, one more stop to purchase a cascade of flowers

and who's counting calories, tart cherry pie has room in my cart as well.

I only wish our warmer weather remained for another six months because the farmers market is such a delight.

Sprints run high as everyone arrives early for the delightful goods they will carry home.

For a moment in time looking around at the sparkling sunlit water, pristine white boats in the harbor and wisps of clouds in the sky I am whisked away to a vision of the open air markets in Europe.

I appreciate beautiful days like this.

Now there are decisions to be made regarding the family reunion.

Whether it's a family reunion

or family rebellion, this can be a wonderful as well as stressful event.

The majority of time we all get along because we remind ourselves of the saying, "Fish and family begin to smell after three days."

These family gatherings are a time to catch up on who married whom and review what the Detroit Tigers are or are not doing.

We sit in awe watching grandkids who possess energy that's endless leaving us wondering when nap time will occur for all age groups.

Family members move in, out and around the house and yard the likes of musical chairs.

Infants in tow are passed from grandma to aunt to mother, needing just as much care as the el-

derly in their walkers or wheelchairs.

It's especially nice to see the younger children turn into teenagers and teenagers becoming young adults.

The continuum goes on. Relatives comment on how well they sleep when they are in Northern Michigan.

They claim the air is a little fresher and the sounds of rolling waves coming in from Lake Michigan lulls them into a somber much different than the sirens and commotion resounding off of brick buildings.

One of our favorite activities is watching everyone race to the beach for the next spectacular sunset.

It's similar to watching cars line up to watch a drive in mov-

ie.

We sit in rows watching the sun play hide and seek between the clouds until it kisses the water and dips below the horizon.

For some of the visiting crew it is the first time they have viewed a star lit sky not marred by the harsh city lights.

I am usually too busy to take part in all the family festivities as I am planning the next meal and don't always stop to take it all in.

But today I did stop and took notice and enjoyed what everyone else was soaking in.

I stopped what errand I felt was so important to do and grabbed a metal skewer and took on the task of making the perfect toasted marshmallow.

I listened to the waves and the laughter coming from all gen-

erations as they shared memories of their lives and current adventures.

Life is too short not to do this.

As family members pack up for their trip south its time to prepare for yet another reunion, the Venetian Festival.

Only in a small town such as ours could you run a 5 K in the morning, walk in the parade at noon and work in a booth in the evening.

Soon to follow will be the exquisite, best of Michigan Waterfront Art Fair.

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Cooler temperatures and intermittent sprinkles weren't enough to stop the annual Venetian Games 3-on-3 basketball tournament on July 18 at the courts near Ferry Beach.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

• Central Michigan University

Central Michigan University's spring semester honors list includes students from the Charlevoix County area who earned 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) and higher grade point averages. The spring semester ended in May. They are: Lee R. Barrett, a Senior; Alicia Ann Danforth, a Sophomore; Samantha M. Dunwoody, a Sophomore; Edward C. Woelfel, a Senior all from Boyne City; Matthew Scott Massey, a Sophomore and Trevor A. Mateleski, a Senior both from Boyne Falls; Ezra Drew Bakker, a Senior, Sarah C. Cross, a Senior, Alexandra D. Evans, a Senior, and Joseph J. Sievertson, a Senior.

Joseph Sievertson, son of Maureen and the late Roger Sievertson, has recently been named to the dean's list for the 2009 Spring Semester at Central Michigan University. Joe is a Senior at CMU with

a major in Political Science-Public Administration and a minor in History.

• National Garden Clubs
National Garden Clubs Inc. has awarded a \$4,000 scholarship to Caitlin Taylor of Charlevoix.

Taylor was selected as one of 38 recipients of the organization's 2009-2010 college scholarships.

• Eastern Michigan University

Lisa M. Franzoni made the dean's list for the past two semesters with a 4.0 grade or better in all classes this past year.

• Michigan Technological University
Pamela S. Hilton, a senior; Laura C. Larsen, a sophomore; and Nicholas A. Wimmer, a freshman each made the dean's list for the spring semester.

• Northern Michigan University
May graduates include An-

drew T. Whitley with an associate's degree in automotive service technology; Mallory H. Mahoney with a bachelor's degree in biology/physiology; Stephen H. Andreae with a bachelor's degree in management; and Jayme N. Murray with a bachelor's degree in community health education. Murray also graduated cum laude.

Northern's dean's list honorees include Christopher R. Wyniawskij with a 4.0, and Sarah E. Beck, Mallory H. Mahoney, Theresa M. Martin and Jayme N. Murray with grade point averages of 3.25 to 3.99.

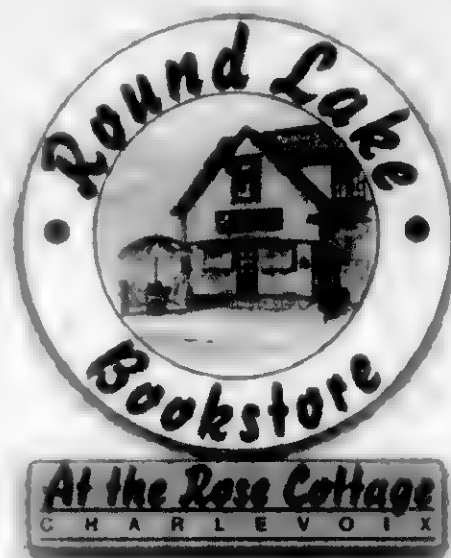
• University of Missouri-Kansas City
Dustin Lee Dibble was one of nearly 700 students named to the Dean's List for the spring semester.

Madison McKenzie earned her bachelor of arts degree in May.



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Folk rockers Jill Jack of Detroit rocked the Odmark Pavilion on Sunday July 19, in Charlevoix's East Park for the second night of Rhythms of Venetian during the 79th Annual Venetian Festival. Rhythms will continue from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21 with Tom Zipp, the Charlevoix Community Band and the Petoskey High School Steel Drum Band in East Park. From 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Lake Michigan Beach, the local youth battle of the bands will occur.



Round Lake Bookstore

Owner/manager: Bill & Dianne Clifford DuPont

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Community involvement: Chamber Member, Kiwanis Member, Circle of the Arts Board and Zonta, Great Lakes Booksellers Association, American Booksellers Association.

About us: Round Lake Bookstore is located in the heart of downtown Charlevoix behind the Quilt Shop and the fire barns. It is an independent store locally owned by Dianne and Bill DuPont.

Betty Henne and Louise Hilligan, both retired teachers and librarians, along with Dianne and Bill, enjoy helping readers choose good books. Historical fiction, mysteries and local and Michigan authors are the specialty. We offer many good books as well as fresh baked cookies and coffee and a friendly little dog named Cheeseball.

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ENGAGEMENT Butterfield – Rafacz

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Butterfield of Midvale, Utah, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharlet, to Jeremy Rafacz, both of Reno, Nevada.

His father is Edward Rafacz of Seattle, Wash., and mother Stephanie Carey (stepfather Tim Carey) of Charlevoix.

The wedding is planned for Sept. 5, 2009 at St. Helena, Calif. in the Napa Valley.

The bride is originally from Midvale, Utah, went to Utah State University for undergraduate work and the University of Nevada, Reno, for graduate school. She works as a Behavior Analyst to train parents and schools to work with individuals with challenging behavior.

The groom graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1999, then went to Western Michigan University for undergraduate work and the University of Nevada, Reno, for graduate school.

He works as a behavior analyst for individuals with developmental disabilities in Reno, Nevada.



Jeremy Rafacz,
Sharlet Butterfield

Re-'Kindle' love of reading

The library invites its patrons to the library to try out the new Amazon Kindle DX. The Kindle DX is available for a one-hour checkout at the Information Services Desk, for in-library use only.

The Charlevoix Lion's Club recently purchased an Amazon Kindle 2 and a Kindle DX for the library's collection.

The Kindles are e-book readers and allow a reading experience "like printed words on paper because the screen works using real ink and doesn't use a backlight, eliminating the eyestrain and glare associated with other electronic displays."

Books, newspapers and other printed documents can be one-touch downloaded to the Kindle through a wire-

less connection to Amazon Kindles are especially helpful for those with low vision issues.

They allow readers to enlarge the text up to slightly larger than a standard large print book.

They also have a "text to speech" function that when activated, reads the content to the listener.

The Kindle 2 is currently checked out for an extended period to a Lion's Club member with low-vision.

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What's happening at the Library?

Writers Group

Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm

All writers welcome - published unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas and motivation.

Story Time

Thursdays @ 10:30 am (ages birth through age 5)

Play "My Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger-plays, and spend time with friends and family!

Char-Em Scrap-bookers

Sundays July 26, 10:00-11:00

Join in the fun! Bring your own photos and scrapbook. Char-Em Scrapbookers meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Book Safari

TEENS Where in the world does your book go? Send a picture of you, your book and the location you go to: 107PR@rlb.com or charlevoixlibrary.org. Each week during the summer submitted photos will be posted on the library website and in the library magazine.

French Conversation Circle

Thursdays @ 7:00 pm through August

Bring your own French conversation partner or join the group.

Spanish Conversation Circle

Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm through August

Join this amazing youth choir from the Czech Republic for their pre-festival performance. Rolnicka Praha is part of the "Children of the World in Harmony" organization who will be in northern Michigan for the first Little Traverse Bay International Youth Choir and Dance Festival.

Summer Reading Club Activities

Thursdays July 23, 10:30-11:00

Birth - 3 yrs old: Read-aloud from 6:30 - 7:00 pm

4-5 yrs old: Read-aloud from 7:15 - 7:45 pm

Grades K-4: "Animal Encounters" - Hear stories and music created by animal sounds. Meet artists: animals from around the world!

Grades 5-8: "Junk Art" - Anything is possible using pieces of found objects to make beautiful art! Sculptures, jewelry - you name it!

Grades 9-12: "Jazz @ the Library" - Meet artists: animals from around the world!

Grades 13-18: "Jazz @ the Library" - Meet artists: animals from around the world!

Grades 19-24: "Jazz @ the Library" - Meet artists: animals from around the world!

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OBITUARIES

Eugene A. Dziedzic: July 31, 1928 - July 15, 2009

Eugene A. "Gene" Dziedzic, 80, of Charlevoix, died peacefully Wednesday evening, July 15, 2009, at his home in Charlevoix surrounded by his family.

A Rite of Christian Burial was noon, Saturday, July 19, at Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix. The Reverend Jerry Hunko will officiate and burial will be in Saint Mary's Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Gene was born July 31, 1928, in Detroit to Joseph E. and Anna M. (Wozny) Dziedzic.

He was a 1946 graduate of Chassey High School in Detroit.

Gene served in the U.S. Navy from 1948 until 1952. On Oct. 25, 1952, he married Monnie Vreeland at St. Mary's Church in Rockwood, Mich.

Gene was employed by

Consumer's Power Company for 33 years, retiring in 1987. He moved to Charlevoix in 1962 with the start-up crew for the Big Rock Nuclear Plant.

In 1969, he moved to South Haven where he worked with the start-up crew at the Palisades Nuclear Plant, returning to Charlevoix after retiring.

Gene was a member of Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix, the Pierre de Charlevoix Council of the Knights of Columbus, and the B.P.O.E.

He loved to sing and was a member of the Charlevoix Men's Glee Club, the East Jordan Chorus, and Saint Mary's Church Choir.

Gene was an avid golfer. He is survived by his wife Monnie; daughters Susan (Robert) Wilcox of Flagstaff, Ariz.; Lee Ann Overhiser

of Ada; Laura (David) Taylor of Charlevoix; sons Neil (Susan) Dziedzic of Dundee; Eric Dziedzic of Copenhagen, Denmark; eleven grandchildren Sarah, Leah, Matthew, Andrew, Christopher, Emily, Heather, Megan, Anna, Caitlin and Jackson; seven great-grandchildren Malorie, Xandir, Annika, Anistin, James, Benjamin and Caleb; sister Kay Lewinski of Vero Beach, Fla.; brother Henry (Ger) Dziedzic of Riverview.

Gene's brothers Joseph and Wally and sisters, Dorothy and Rita preceded him in death.

Visitation was from 6 p.m. 8 p.m., Friday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, where the Rosary was recited at 7 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Saint Mary's Building Fund or to the Saint Mary's School Endowment Fund.

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DEATH NOTICE

Burton M. Orvis: Died June 10, 2009

Burton M. Orvis, 72, of Flint, and formerly of Charlevoix, died Friday, June 10, 2009, in Flint.

A graveside service will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 15, at the Brookside Cemetery in

Charlevoix. The Reverend Todd Thompson of the Charlevoix United Methodist Church will officiate.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is in charge of arrangements.

Don't miss the boat!

Pick up the Courier for news you can use.

Horse Liniment Erases Pain

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Martha Guth to perform at three Baroque on Beaver concerts

BY ELAINE WEST,
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If you've ever heard her sing you'll never forget the experience. Many still talk of the "Music on the Porch" concert several years ago when Martha Guth's clear and warm soprano voice embraced the lyrics and music in a stunning rendition of "Summertime."

This summer all will have the chance to hear her again

as she will sing at three Baroque on Beaver Island concerts, July 30 and Aug. 1 and 2.

Guth grew up in Vancouver, British Columbia and has been a Beaver Island regular for as long as she can remember, visiting her grandmother and eventually spending a year living on the island. "It was then I really began to build the good friendships that I continue to cherish," said Guth.

Guth and her good friend

Deb Harwood worked together at the Old Rectory Restaurant and Deerwood Lodge.

They lent their talents as a singer and a chef (Harwood was trained the Culinary Institute of America) to creating two summer solstice concerts with "high tea" as benefits for the Beaver Island Health Center.

Those who attended remember well the tables of delicate and delicious foods

and the delightful concerts of classical music.

Guth holds an undergraduate degree from Oberlin Conservatory of Music and a Master in Music from Cincinnati College and Conservatory of Music.

Currently she is teaching and performing at the Vancouver International Song Institute.

Married just one year ago to fellow professional singer Ricardo Lugo, Guth says they live very happily

together in their "shoebox" apartment in Manhattan.

Along with a love of poetry and language, and communicating those passions through performing and teaching, Guth is also a hiker, part time runner and thoroughly enjoys any activities that take her outdoors.

"Especially if they involve a bon fire," said Guth.

Guth's featured performances during this year's Baroque on Beaver con-

certs: 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 30, at CMU; 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1, at Holy Cross Hall; and 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 2, at Holy Cross Hall.

A fourth Baroque Concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center on Friday, July 31.

And for encores? Perhaps Martha will consent to singing "Summertime" again, a perfect song to celebrate her voice and the season on Beaver Island.

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Man mad over maple massacre

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

For nearly 30 years, Bill Dreyer said, his 100-year-old maple trees off Nettleton Street in Charlevoix coexisted peacefully with nearby power lines.

But, last week a tree trimming company hired by the city did more than the usual pruning of minor branches near the lines.

"It's not trimming, it's traumatizing these trees," Dreyer said. "They look like a 'V' now—there's nothing in the middle."

Charlevoix City Councilman Lyle Gennett agreed with Dreyer's assessment.

"If that's the industry standard, I feel bad for the industry," he said. "It's just terrible."

Dreyer called city hall while crews were cutting the trees located on the city right-of-way on his property to have the action stopped.

"I want a public apology from the city manager because he had the power to stop this," Dreyer said. "I went to the city and asked them why they had not notified me and his (city manager Rob Straebel's) secretary told me she was drafting my letter. I said, 'It's too late, that's after the fact.'"

During their regularly scheduled Monday, July 20 meeting, Charlevoix City Council members discussed a tree trimming policy which had already been in the works prior to the incident at Dreyer's home.

According to Shade Tree Commissioner John Campbell, there has not been proper maintenance on the city's several thousand trees for nearly 30 years. This, he said, has caused a problem of trees growing too close to power lines and large limbs falling off trees which could pose a health risk.

The tree trimming, pruning and removal policy states, "To better educate residents regarding this issue, staff will be sending out letters to all property owners where tree maintenance may occur informing them of possible tree trimming, pruning and removal."

During the meeting, Dreyer demanded to know why he was not informed ahead of time.

Straebel said the letters will be sent in the future due to the large number of complaints the city has received on the matter.

He also said he realizes now the city should have alerted people to the mat-

ter before the city began the project.

"I certainly understand your anger and love of trees," Straebel said. "One thing that is not getting mentioned here is the safety of the journeymen linemen. I understand the aesthetics issue, but my allegiance has got to be with the safety of the (electrical workers)."

City electrical head Don Swem said an electrical line too close to a tree can actually cause electricity to jump to the tree which could electrocute a person on the ground near the tree.

The city's ordinance on distances of wires from trees is 10 feet for the primary electrical line and five feet for the secondary lines.

Swem said the distances are needed because both equipment and the trees can sway in heavy winds, creating a dangerous situation.

Council also discussed removal of 31 trees from Dixon avenue.

Some audience members were concerned when Swem said, "Dixon is unique. It has a great canopy and we are going to affect it drastically."

Council was asked if they could postpone the tree removal of what the shade tree

commission called unhealthy trees to make time to get an agreement of all homeowners down the street to have them pay to have power lines relocated underground.

"If you do it for Dixon, then you have to do it for all streets," Straebel said.

He said it would take six

to eight months just to try to get everyone together, and even then every homeowner may not agree.

"It would negate all tree trimming efforts," Straebel said.

Council unanimously approved the ordinance as presented.

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This maple tree is one of several which were trimmed recently by order of the City of Charlevoix. The trees are located at Bill Dreyer's property in the city right-of-way just off Nettleton Street.

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Shabby Girls Salon and Day Spa of 801 Bridge St. invites you to their Second Annual Pampering Parade Party at 9 a.m. on Saturday July 25.

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morning of free massages, scones, cookies, coffee, music and much more. There will be reserved seating for first-come parties to watch the Charlevoix Venetian Parade.

LETTERS to the editor

Flower care

Editor:
(Response to S. J. Krbhak Letter published July 1)

I have been tending flowers for customers and relatives in Brookside and St. Mary's Cemeteries for well over 10 years.

Since both these properties are cemeteries, the ground is often uneven.

The City's hiring of Bob McGhee as the sexton with his assistant Marc Cross and other city cemetery workers has been a plus.

All are courteous, paying attention to their duties. The commercial grade sprinklers

are going throughout the grounds of both cemeteries close to daily and many old dead trees have been disposed.

The City of Charlevoix takes care of both Brookside Cemetery and St. Mary's Cemetery. Copies of City of Charlevoix Cemetery rules are free for the asking at Bob McGhee's sexton office in Brookside Cemetery or at the Charlevoix City Hall.

The only thing wrong with Brookside is its newer front gate, M-66.

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Lunch at the castle and a walk through the garden



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A special addition to this year's garden walk was a luncheon at Castle Farms which also sported a garden for viewing. Pictured are (from left) Kim Hamilton with daughter Addison and grandma Barb Hamilton with granddaughter Ashley.



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Sherron Hemme and Lori Luepnitz of the Petoskey Garden Club view the roses at the Elzinga Garden during the annual Charlevoix Garden Club's Garden Walk.

Northwest Academy hitting the bricks

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Northwest Academy of Charlevoix officials know you're going to walk all over their latest fundraising effort — and they're OK with that.

Hoping to raise \$30,000 to help fund capital improvements such as equipment, building upgrades and educational field trips, Northwest officials are now selling personalized paver bricks.

"We're going to put in a new entry and create a paver brick approach to the school," said Northwest music and marketing director Gary Stutzman. It will be 8 feet by 8 feet and the entire

structure is going to be built in a way that it can be lifted and moved to another location when we have a new entrance or new building."

The bricks cost a minimum of \$100 each and can be engraved with family names.

"We're asking for a minimum donation of \$100 each, but if you can afford more, we ask that you give," Stutzman said. "We don't get millage money or bonds to help pay for classroom supplies, repairs and trips."

"I am interested in securing support from alumni, families of alumni and anyone that's interested in the past and present success of Northwest Academy," he added.

Planned improvements include smart boards, which allow teachers to project computer images on a screen large enough for an entire class to see; a dance floor for an upcoming dance club; educational field trips to places like Washington D.C.; new desks and classroom supplies.

"We're looking to enhance the educational experience at Northwest," Stutzman said.

Bricks can be ordered, and donations can be sent, by mail to Northwest Academy, 115 West Huribut, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or call Stutzman at (231) 675-4800 or go to www.nwa.edu.



Gary Stutzman holds a paver brick which will, along with others, line the new walkway entrance to Northwest Academy school in Charlevoix. The bricks are now on sale to raise funds for school improvements and field trips.

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Farmers market

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Lake Charlevoix Association to battle phrag'

State officials have cleared the way for a clean-up this fall of a dense grass that has been rapidly colonizing Lake Charlevoix's 56-mile long shoreline.

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality approved a permit that will allow the Lake Charlevoix Association (LCA) to apply a herbicide to the Phragmites australis plants shortly after Labor Day. The association, which has 550 members around the lake, expects that it will have to repeat the treatment over several years to keep the plant in check.

Dan Mishler, LCA vice-president, said he was pleased that the state had acted quickly on the group's request because "we have to get our contractors and volunteers trained and in place by the end of summer if we are going to have any success this year."

Homeowners with shore property can expect to see the phragmites surveyors working along the waterline in the coming weeks, he emphasized. "We hope the owners will welcome

the volunteers, because they are there to help control this unwanted growth," he said.

He noted that because LCA won a permit for the whole lake, individual property owners won't have to apply separately for state permission to use the herbicide, Rodeo. "Properly applied, this is a very safe product and studies show its active ingredients decompose quickly, before it can harm anything else," he noted. Having LCA do the work provides the fastest and safest way to control the plant, he said.

Phragmites australis has spread all over the northern and eastern U.S., sometimes growing in dense stands up to 15-feet tall that block off shorelines and crowd out native plants. Residents of Beaver Island mounted a major attack on the plants last year, using the techniques that LCA will apply on Lake Charlevoix, and reduced its phragmites stands to manageable levels.

LCA is currently recruiting and training volunteers who will make a thorough

survey of the lake's shoreline and mark the stands of the grass that need treatment. They will notify land owners of the problem and are encouraging those with infestations to get in touch with LCA and grant permission for the treatment in September. LCA will also use trained professionals from the staff of the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation gave LCA a grant of more than \$5,000 earlier this year to launch the program and LCA has applied for additional grants from governmental and non-governmental agencies. Individual shoreline owners will not be billed for the control efforts but LCA welcomes voluntary contributions of either money or time.

A sampling by LCA in the winter found more than 100 phragmites sites, with the heaviest concentration on the lake's South Arm between Ironton and East Jordan. Some stands were relatively small patches or just a couple of individual

plants but others covered several hundred square feet.

The relatively low level of the lake in the last five years has exposed shoreline areas that were previously covered by water and lacking in native growth of any kind. These areas were easy for phragmites to invade.

Bits of plant root break off during storms or other soil disturbances and can float ashore and take root miles away from the original infestation site. The root of a

"We exist to guard the lake and to preserve it for future generations," said LCA President Sam Williamson. "We want to work with individuals and with all the groups concerned about the lake when a serious problem like phragmites breaks out. These cooperative efforts are the best way to make sure that Lake Charlevoix – or any other natural resource – remains a treasure for future generations."

SAM WILLIAMSON

single plant can grow 50 or 60 feet, sending up stalks every few inches.

LCA has been increasing its efforts to preserve and protect the quality of the lake. Last year it took the lead in notifying riparians who had shoreline infected with cladophora, a greenish algal growth that is associated with fertilizers washing into the lake and with leaking septic fields.

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Following the survey this summer, LCA volunteers and contractors expect to return to infested sites after Labor Day to apply the Rodeo, which will be applied to the stalks and absorbed down into the roots. Two weeks later volunteers will collect the plants' seed heads to prevent the seeds from dispersing farther. Owners of the properties are encouraged to cut down the dead stalks and dispose of them by burning or composting.

The survey will be conducted again in 2010 and additional treatment applied to the remaining phragmites plants. "We are not going to let it ruin our shores," Mishler said.

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The B.C. Pizza major league boys' baseball team for Boyne City is pictured. The teammates (in no particular order) are #1 - Dalton Gardner, #2 - Ben Halstad, #3 - Adam Patrick, #4 - Ethan Habasco, #5 - Maceo Vroman, #6 - Collin Fitzpatrick, #8 - Jake Nalbock, #9 - Josh Lang, #10 - Mac Alexander, #12 - Logan Orban, #21 - Jeffrey Miller, #22 - Jordan Berroth, #1 - Ethan Campbell, #2 - Cody Moore, #3 - Colton Sirdski, #4 - Jacob Goodwin, #5 - Andrew Stevens, #6 - Spencer Binkley, #7 - Alex Stutzman, #9 - Jacob Coates, #10 - Jared McBe, #11 - Chandler Roberts, and #12 - Keenan Goodwin.



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The Boyne City Major League boys' Glen's baseball teammates are (pictured in no particular order) #1 - Jordan Sutton, #2 - Austin Valler, #3 - Jared Fleming, #4 - Hunter Lapierre, #5 - Carter Wilmot, #6 - Zach Napont, #7 - Tristin Field, #8 - Tanner Krusel, #9 - Alec Hoglund, #20 - Connor Beebe, and #23 - Cory Redmon.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Bryce Stratton of Plainfield, Ill., played a game of Frisbee with his cousin while waiting for the ice-cream cone dipping to begin during the ice-cream social as part of the Odmark Pavilion rededication ceremony on July 7 in Charlevoix's East Park. Here Stratton gets some serious air while jumping to catch the disc overhead.



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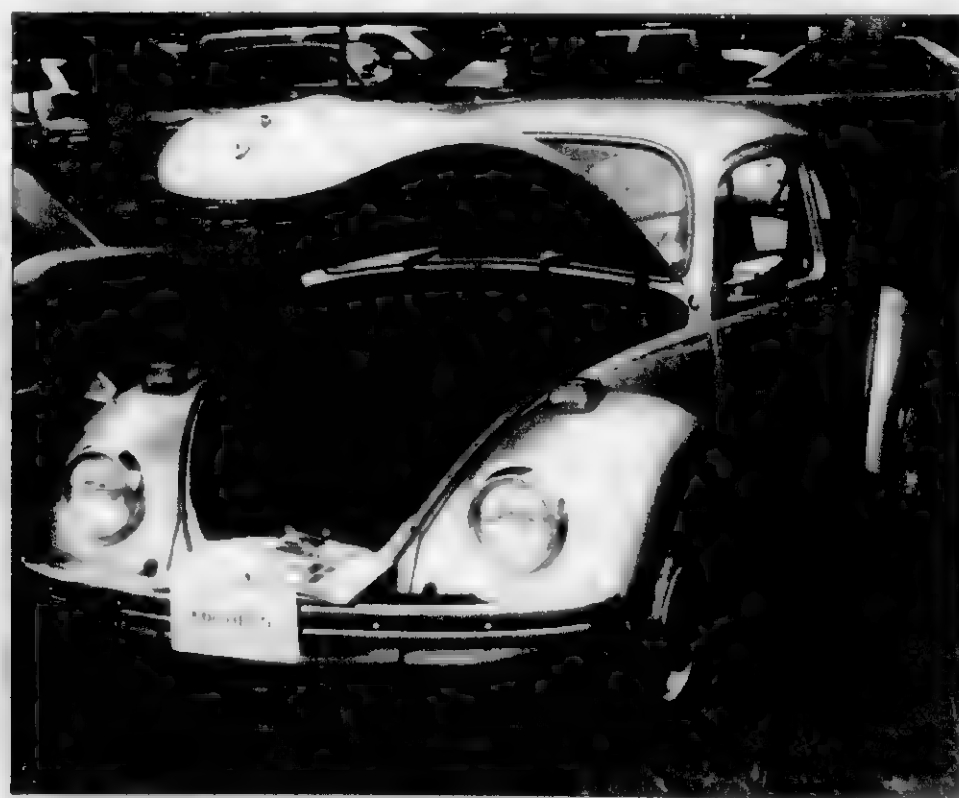


Al Storm's 1932 T-Bucket by Ford was polished and ready for a cruise at the annual Street Legends Classic Car Show last Saturday. Like so many classic Fords, Storm's '32 sports a Chevrolet powerplant.

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Frank Gaunt had his blue '37 Chevy Coupe on display during the Charlevoix Street Legends annual classic car show on Saturday, July 18.



Nothing under the hood but a spare tire for this 1970 Volkswagen Beetle. The Beetle, brainchild of both Adolf Hitler and Ferdinand Porsche, debuted in 1936 as a means of affordable transportation and it has been a hit ever since.



Kevin Saddison of Harbor Springs showed that muscle doesn't need to come in a fine laquered paint job to be beautiful. Here Saddison stands next to his 1956 White turned rat rod.

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Few things scream horsepower more than Bob Schemke's 1970 Chevelle SS in canary yellow.



Richard Brown's 1953 Chevy pickup shows Chevrolet's first work in luxury sport-utility vehicles. The 3100 series began in 1947 and retained pretty much the same body style and offerings through the early 1950s. Chevy's goal was to create a work truck with more passenger space aimed at creating comfort and practicality.

Carl Hoops' Model B Ford and matching trailer showed represented what Ford Motor Company had to offer in 1932.





PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, SPECIAL TO THE COURIER
Despite cool temperatures and a smaller than expected turnout of boats in the water off Ferry Beach, DeHurricane played several sets of music to a half-dozen boats and several dozen people at Ferry Beach on Saturday, July 18 during Venetian's official kick-off. DeHurricane is seen here at the end of the pier at Ferry Beach.



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Fred and Lorraine Berton and Kate Left dressed warm to watch the first-ever Aquapalooza Beach Bash on the kick-off of the 79th Annual Venetian Festival on Saturday, July 18 at Ferry Beach. Reggae band DeHurricane played reggae favorites from the Ferry Beach pier to a crowd on land and several boats anchored offshore.



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Sue Miller of Hearts for Holly quilting shop is seen here with a few of the nearly 30 entries in her quilting contest. You can cast your vote by visiting the store and paying .50 cents. So far, 400 votes have been cast. The winner will receive a gift basket worth \$100.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Nothing terrible about Ivan

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Charlevoix High School student Bill Ivan is looking at a bright future from behind a facemask.

The 6 foot 5 inch 17-year-old has received offers of a full scholarship from Indiana University and Central Michigan University, with other colleges expected to bring their bids to the table to play football.

"I was pretty excited at first," Bill said. "It's a stepping stone, but I feel like it's one of the biggest decisions I'll make in my life."

Bill has some time to consider his options.

But, the signing deadline of the first Tuesday in February will only formalize his decision.

"Schools only have so many scholarships," he said, explaining that he'll notify the interested parties well before signing with the university of his

choice.

"Wherever I go, they'll probably want to red shirt me," said Bill. "That just means that I'll be there for five years instead of four. I'll have what they call a super-senior year. I weigh 250-265 now and they'll take me along slowly my freshman year. They'll probably want to see me at about 280."

Don Jess has coached football at Charlevoix High School for seven years.

He's worked with Ivan since he made the varsity squad in his sophomore year and noted that he is one of few Charlevoix students to be offered a Division One scholarship in at least 20 years.

"He's just gotten better every year — Every practice, for that matter," Jess said. "All the players work really hard. Bill's a big kid, which got him noticed by colleges, but he's also a real intelligent kid. He's worked his



Bill Ivan

him off"

Bill practices with the team

three to four times a week and usually once more with his bud-

dies.

In his junior year he lettered in football, basketball, baseball and track while maintaining a 3.86 grade point average.

"My mom was an English teacher in Pellston before she became a librarian here at the public library," Bill said. "She gave me an appreciation for reading. I'll be taking advanced placement English and literature classes this coming year. I like historical novels. History is my favorite subject."

According to Bill, a career in professional football has "never been a dream of mine. It would be nice, but that's not my goal. So few are able to make it."

Instead, he sees himself teaching and coaching football.

"When I was a kid, I looked up to Barry Sanders and Brett Favre, earlier in his career. But my real hero is my dad. He's always encouraged me and supported everything I do. He's al-

ways told me that I can make my own choices about what I want to do," he said.

"That's just part of being a parent," said Paul Ivan.

Paul and his wife Judith are proud of their son's achievements.

"Bill only played one year of Pop Warner football when he was in the fourth grade, and he played with kids who were two years older. He was always the biggest kid in his class. In the past three or four years, he's grown into his athleticism," Paul said.

A member of the Charlevoix High School class of 2010, Bill is spending his summer vacation working at the Charlevoix City Marina.

And, he said, he's anticipating a great senior year.

"I'm really looking forward to the season," he said. "We've got a good core of players coming back. It should be a lot of fun."

Detroit Pistons basketball clinic

Good News for you "basketballers". We have the Detroit Pistons offering an exciting and fun learning basketball experience with a clinic right here in Charlevoix. The Charlevoix Recreation Department and

Venetian Festival Commission are sponsoring a Friday morning basketball workshop during Venetian week. The date is July 24th. At 9:00 a.m. all 2nd to 5th graders are scheduled, 6th grade through High

School start at 10:30. The famous Pistons dunk team will perform between sessions. We urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to polish your fundamentals and learn basketball drills with Pistons coach

Aaron Smith at the Charlevoix Middle School gymnasium.

Pre-registration sign up is \$20 and walk-up registration is \$30. To reserve your spot, register now and send payment (checks made payable

to Detroit Pistons) to: Dean Davenport - Commissioner of Venetian Games, 13535 Mat-

thews Lane, Charlevoix MI 49720 or call 1-248-377-0134 for more information

Ellsworth wooden bat tournament

The 36th Annual Ellsworth Men's Slowpitch Softball Tournament will be held Friday night July 24, and all day Saturday July 25.

The tournament will be double elimination-consisting of at least 12 or more teams.

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The entry fee is \$160 with first, second, third, and fourth place Sponsor trophies being awarded along with individual awards to players on the championship team; a MVP award will also be given.

This year's tournament is again sponsored by the Gold Nugget with proceeds going towards the new concession stand at the Ellsworth Sports Park.

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SPORTS *reviewing the action*

Men's slo-pitch softball results

Monday, July 13

Island Airways & McDonough's Market 14 vs. Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 2

For Island Airways, Russell Williams had 2 Homeruns and James Thomas had a Homerun.

RGM Services 17 vs. D.J. Tranceport Systems 1

For RGM Services, Chris Loper had a Triple.

Wojan Window & Door 14 vs. Northern Imaging Association Rays 2

For Wojan Window & Door, Matt Kautz had a Homerun.

Tuesday, July 14

Carlson's Home Improvement 7 vs. Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 0

For Carlson's Home Improvement, Dave McKenzie had a Triple and Brett Erskin

had a Homerun.

Ace Hardware & Market Tech 17 vs. D.J. Tranceport Systems 5

For Ace Hardware & Market Tech, John Putman had a Homerun.

Island Airways & McDonough's Market 7 vs. Northern Imaging Association Rays 4

For Island Airways & McDonough's Market, James Thomas had a Homerun.

Wednesday, July 15

RGM Services 10 vs. Wojan Window & Door 8

For RGM Services, Chris Loper had a Triple.

Carlson's Home Improvement 17 vs. D.J. Tranceport Systems 5

For Carlson's Home Improvement, Mike Hudson and Brett Erskin had a Triple.

Flight Deck & Lakeshore

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For Flight Deck & Lake-

shore Tire, James Crain had a Triple and Josh Holeccheck had 2 Triples.

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Rayder bond projects underway

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

From storage buildings and art room expansion to renovation of the locker rooms, the Charlevoix Public Schools are utilizing their \$5.9 million bond.

Also on the list is new masonry work on the Charlevoix Middle School, new windows, work on emergency lights in the gym at the elementary, painting and the upgrading of technology.

"The goal is to have all projects completed by the start of the new school

year," said Superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools Chet Janik.

Janik said Charlevoix Schools will be the only system north of Clare to have SMART boards in every classroom.

The installation of 59 interactive SMART boards will allow teachers to project computer lessons on larger screen.

Janik said the district has had great success with the boards installed in 2007 in the middle school.

Also on the list is a low volume amplification sys-

tem.

Janik said the system will allow a teacher's voice to cut through noise and distractions.

The school will spend an approximate total of \$2,266,350 on technology alone.

According to the district's Web site, classroom amplification systems can offer the following results: "Higher composite test scores, improved reading and language test scores for all students at all levels, attention and on-task times improve, class interaction and participation

increases, classroom management and transition times improve, student motivation and confidence increase, classroom stress is lowered, reduced throat/voice fatigue and related absenteeism, and no changes to curriculum or teaching style required."

It further stated, "Research over two decades is conclusive—classroom amplification systems improve academic performance and help to create an optimum learning environment. Some of the many benefits include."

The nearly \$5,973,450 bond will be divided into the following increments:

• Building additions: High school, \$80,000; Elementary school, \$30,000

• Building renovations: High school, \$40,000; Middle school, \$940,000; Elementary school, \$727,000

• Site upgrades: High school, \$61,500; Middle school, \$92,000; Elementary school, \$134,000; District, \$720,000

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Construction crews work to re-brick the walls of Charlevoix Middle School. The work is part of the \$5-plus-million bond which was approved by voters to fund projects including new computers, smartboards and repairs to the Charlevoix Public Schools' buildings.

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and it's unfortunate," she said. "It's unfriendly and unwelcoming — and as a mother of three children, if my

kids did something like this there would be great consequences. And, then again, it may not be kids at all."

Adams added, "You could lose your enthusiasm for trying to make a difference in

this city for beautification. You just start saying, 'Is this worth my time and energy, or not?'"

Anyone with information on the incident is urged to call the city police at 547-3258.

Ager a good samaritan

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on the slim chance that someone might be honest enough to turn it in."

Fortunately for Lownds, the car behind her truck when she pulled out onto U.S. 31 belonged to a good Samaritan.

Richard Ager of Charlevoix was returning from Petoskey with his sister when they saw the backpack and a couple of boxes slide out of the open tailgate and land on the road in front of them.

"The truck pulled out and the tailgate was down. Stuff just flew out on the road," Ager said. "I couldn't believe they didn't notice. Luckily, no one was behind me and I stopped and

picked it up."

The pick-up truck had disappeared by the time Ager retrieved the things from the road.

"What am I going to do with this?" he asked his sister.

She suggested checking the backpack for some sort of identification.

"I found a college acceptance letter with the owner's name and address."

I thought I could write to her, but then I thought it might be a better idea to turn it in to the police. I thought 'She needs this stuff. It could be her future.'"

Ager took the backpack and boxes to the Charlevoix police station.

"It wasn't more than a few hours later when I got a phone

call from the (Petoskey) police station saying that someone had found it and immediately dropped it off to the Charlevoix police department."

Lownds said, "I cannot explain to you how relieved I was. I want to thank Richard Ager of Charlevoix for his honesty and good heart."

Ager works in plan engineering at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital.

A fourth generation resident of Charlevoix, Ager says that he knows how "tight" things are financially for a lot of people right now.

"There's a lot of bad stuff that can happen in this world," Ager said. "Sometimes you get a chance to do something nice for somebody."

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Council hears tree maintenance, flagpole installation

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix City Council during their Monday, July 20 meeting.

Item: Consider tree trimming/pruning/removal policy

In brief: The city has not had a tree maintenance policy for at least 30 years. Council discussed the proposed policy which would not only forewarn homeowners that the city would be trimming their trees in the city right-of-way, but that the city would take measures not to remove or unnecessarily damage healthy trees when possible.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Pool donation contract

In brief: Council, as in years past, offered the community pool officials a "Charlevoix Hospitality Package" to be auctioned at the pool's annual auction fundraiser on Aug. 9 at Castle Farms.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Flagpole installation

In brief: Council discussed whether to install a flagpole which once resided at Big Rock Nuclear Power Plant in East Park. Councilmembers voiced concerns from the cost of installation and maintenance to the number of flags already in the area. The motion was postponed while alternative sources of

funding and a proper location are investigated.

Board action: Decision postponed indefinitely

Item: MDOT trunkline contract

In brief: Consideration to renew the contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation wherein the city is reimbursed for plowing, sweeping and maintenance of the highway.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Buy boilers and storage building

In brief: Consider whether to purchase hi-efficiency boilers and a storage building for

the waste water treatment plant. The storage building would cost \$25,147 and be built by Carlson's Home Improvements. The boilers will cost \$35,724 with work to be completed by Hagard's Plumbing & Heating.

Board action: Unanimously approved, Mayor Norman L. Carlson abstained from discussion due to his ownership of Carlson's Home Improvements.

Item: Pesticide mix/load building

In brief: Consideration to pay Drayton Builders \$11,554 to build a structure to allow for the mixing and loading of pesticides at the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course.

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He drove a motorcycle to Detroit in the rain to pay for the cabins he built with his own two hands.

And several decades and thousands of visitors later, Al Frost is celebrating 30 years of his cabin rental business in Charlevoix County.

"I put about 10,000 hours of work into each one," Frost said. "That's about two miles of logs."

The Lake Charlevoix Vacation Log Homes are located off M-66 near the Sleepy Hollow Nature Preserve and are available for rent year-round.

"We get about 1,000 people a year who come stay," Frost said. "It's a real positive boost to Charlevoix — it provides a

lot of income year after year for the area."

In addition to 200 feet of sandy Lake Charlevoix beach, the two log homes offer game rooms, boats and docks, Internet, fire pits, Jacuzzi and all near 200 acres of the Sleepy Hollow Nature Preserve.

"Each home has seven bedrooms and four baths," Frost said. "They're fully equipped for family reunions, vacations, weddings and snowmobilers."

The homes are 70 feet apart, but both can be rented simultaneously for larger groups.

Over the years, Frost has had guests from world class surgeons to NASA members stay in his homes.

Frost now lives in Petoskey with his wife and two children.

But, he said, he spends plenty of time in Charlevoix managing his rental properties and even playing his guitar at Apple Fest each year.

For more information on renting on of Frost's log homes, call (231) 536-2851 or e-mail sz-frost@freeway.net.

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Own a Business? Put A Retirement Plan in Place

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Financial Advisor



If you own a small business, you have a lot to think about: sales, expenses, marketing, cash flow, competition — the list goes on and on. However, by spending so much time on the issues of today, you may overlook the concerns of tomorrow. That's why, if you haven't already done so, you need to choose a retirement plan for your business.

Which plan is right for you? It depends on different factors, such as how many employees you have and how much you can afford to contribute each year. Let's take a look at some popular retirement plans for small businesses:

• **Owner-only 401(k)** — Also known as an individual 401(k), an owner-only 401(k) offers you many of the same advantages of a traditional 401(k): a range of investment

options, tax-deductible contributions and tax-deferred earnings growth. You may even be able to choose a Roth option for your 401(k), which allows you to make after-tax contributions that can grow tax free. In 2009, you can contribute up to \$49,000 to your owner-only 401(k) or \$54,500 if you're 50 or older. (To make deductible contributions for the 2009 tax year, you'll need to set up your plan by Dec. 31, 2009.)

• **Solo defined benefit plan** — You may have thought you had to work for a big company to participate in a traditional pension plan, also known as a defined benefit plan, but you can set one up for yourself if you're self-employed or own your own business. This plan has high contribution limits, which are determined by an actuarial calculation, and your contributions are typically tax-deductible.

• **SEP IRA** — If you have just a few employees or are self-employed with no employees, and you're looking for a low-cost, low-maintenance retirement plan, you may want to consider a SEP IRA. You'll fund the plan with tax-deductible

contributions, and you must cover all eligible employees. (Employees themselves cannot contribute.) You can contribute up to 25% of compensation (if you're an employee of your own corporation) or 20% of income if you're self-employed, up to \$49,000 annually. And you can fund your SEP IRA with virtually any type of investment you choose.

• **SIMPLE IRA** — As its name suggests, a SIMPLE IRA is quite easy to set up and maintain, and it can be a good plan if your business has fewer than 10 employees. As the business owner, you must contribute in one of two ways: a dollar-for-dollar match of up to 3% of salary or a contribution of 2% of employees' salaries (up to \$4,900 per year). Employee contributions are tax-deductible, and your matching contributions are generally deductible as a business expense. Still, while a SIMPLE IRA may be advantageous for your employees, it's less generous to you, as far as allowable contributions, than an owner-only 401(k), a defined benefit plan or a SEP IRA. For 2009, your annual contributions are generally limited to \$11,500, or \$14,000 if

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To determine which plan is best for you, consult with your tax advisor and a financial advisor who has experience with small businesses. But don't wait too long to get started — you're moving closer to retirement all the time.

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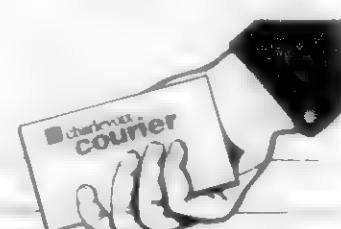
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Juliana M. Tworek, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 20, 2004, and recorded on April 27, 2004 in Liber 610 on Page 607, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety and 31/100 Dollars (\$67,490.31), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 14, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A. Beginning at a 3/4 pipe at the Northwest corner of Section 22, Township 33 North, Range 6 West; thence along the North line of said Section North 89 degrees 22 minutes 10 seconds East 161.89 feet to a 1/2 rod on the Southwesterly line of Old Horton Bay Road; thence continuing along said Section line North 89 degrees 22 minutes 10 seconds East 41.69 feet to the centerline of said road, thence along said centerline South 38 degrees 18 minutes 08 seconds East 599.18 feet; thence continuing along said centerline on a curve to the left 50.00 feet, (radius of said curve being 990.27 feet, the central angle being 2 degrees 53 minutes 36 seconds and the chord bears South 39 degrees 45 minutes 56 seconds East 50.00 feet); thence leaving said centerline South 51 degrees 41 minutes 52 seconds West 33.04 to a 1/2 rod on the Southwesterly line of said road, thence continuing South 51 degrees 41 minutes 52 seconds West 816.14 feet to a 1/2 rod on the West line of said Section, thence along said Section line North 3 degrees 17 minutes 46 seconds East 1034.45 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Township 33 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 15, 2009

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302

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JULY 23 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visions and Visions."

Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

July 23 - Kiteley's Pasm Market, 3805 Brock Rd.

July 30 - The Rex Beach Rd./Antrim Natural Area, Public Beach, and Nature Preserve, 31 To Atwood past Royal Farms.

Aug. 6 - Vistas of Lake Bellaire West on Cayuga St. to Bellaire Highway.

Aug. 13 - Fred Vemeersch' Orchard View, 1344 Vemeersch Rd., Central Lake.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

JULY 22

Venetian events

Carnival downtown - 6 p.m.

Tiki Tent Stage at East Park with entertainment by Chris Dominic one hour prior to evening concerts and during breaks.

From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in East Park, musical acts Swithback, Gloriana and Darryl W.

Alano Club

The Charlevoix Alano Club will move into its new building at its old location at 1 p.m. on July 22.

Call 547-9184 to help or for more information about programs.

Meetings at BASES will be conducted in the big room in the back where there is already seating for up to 60 people.

BASES

BASES ongoing teen activities take place in the afternoons from 12:45 p.m. to 6 p.m., Mondays through Fridays and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

During the time of overlap when teens arrive about 12:45 p.m. during the week, they will be kept in the front of the building and the meetings will

not be interrupted.

BASES is located at 208 West Lincoln.

Also, Alano is nearly \$40,000 from their total building/renovation project being completely paid for. Your help is needed.

\$100 or more will get your name on a wall plaque at the club.

Start a business

Classes on how to start a business are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance including June 24 at the Boyne District Library, and July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or e-mailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

JULY 23

Venetian events

Kids' Day - from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Michigan Beach

Carnival downtown - 2 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Tiki Tent Stage at East Park with entertainment by David Cisco one hour prior to evening concerts and during breaks.

From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in East Park, Northwest Academy Jazz Band, The Fabulous Hornhogs, Mitch Ryder & the Detroit Wheels.

JULY 24

Venetian events

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2009
Carnival downtown - 1 p.m. - close.

Tiki Tent Stage at East Park with entertainment by Mitch Girt one hour prior to evening concerts and during breaks.

From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in East Park, Charlie's Root Fusion, Venetian Queen Coronation at approximately 7:30 p.m. followed by The Contours, the Up North Big Band, and (tentatively) Night Sky Fireworks at dusk

BOOK SIGNING

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Linda Lile will sign copies of her new book at Up North Kids in Charlevoix.

JULY 25

Venetian events

Carnival downtown - 11 a.m. - close

Tiki Tent Stage at East Park with entertainment by Tom Zipp one hour prior to evening concerts and during breaks.
Venetian Parade at 11 a.m. down Bridge St.

Sault Ste. Marie Pipe Band from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in East Park followed by Zion Lion.

Plymouth Fife 7 Drum Corp. at 12:30 in Bridge Park
Tiki Tent Stage at East Park with entertainment by Tom Zipp one hour prior to evening concerts and during breaks.

From 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. in East Park, entertainment by Soul Express, KIDS from Wisconsin, the Venetian Boat Parade at dusk on Round Lake Harbor followed by the Harbor Fireworks over Round Lake Harbor.

Charlevoix alumni reunion

The Charlevoix High School Alumni Association will host the third annual All-School Reunion from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 25 in the lower level of the Weatherly. Tables for this event will be arranged by decade so that alumni can find former classmates, teammates, and friends.

There is no charge for this event, but those who wish to pay the \$5 alumni dues may do so at the reunion.

Snacks, lemonade and ice tea will be served and a cash bar will be available.

Any class wishing to display memorabilia should contact the association by July 15 at 547-4457.

The Alumni Association recently purchased a new bicycle rack for the high school and gave a donation for the purchase of new software for the media center.

Anyone who is interested in serving on the board of the CHS Alumni Association should contact Sherrel Bergmann at 547-4457 or by e-mail at rayderberg@aol.com.

JULY 27

Lighthouse Memories

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society presents "Lighthouse Memories" told by Dale Ernest Hutzler, son of 41 year veteran lighthouse keeper Ernest Hutzler and designer of the Boyne City Lighthouse.

The event begins at 7 p.m. on Monday July 27, at Boyne District Library's community room go to www.cchps.info for more.

JULY 29

Young Life

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29 at the Lake Michigan Pavilion there will be a meeting of Young Life, a world-

wide, non-denominational Christian organization, impacting kids' lives for over 70 years. For more information please contact Chip Sauer at (231) 330-5331, Robin McCarty (231) 526-7375 or Greg McDonald at (231) 526-6711 or go to www.younglife.org.

JULY 30

First-time home buyer seminar

At 7 p.m. on July 30 at Re/Max of Boyne City, 111 South Lake St., there will be a free seminar for first-time home buyers. Call 237-9179 for more information.

JULY 31 THROUGH AND AUG. 15

Book signings

• noon to 2 p.m. - July 31 meet author, Kristina Riggie and have her sign your copy of the new Charlevoix novel, *Real Life and Liars*.

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the photographer, Michael Barton, author of *The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix*.

• 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the author, Marcy Fisher, and have her sign your copy of *Fried Magic*. Marcy will be a guest speaker at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.

Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699

AUG. 1

CHS '74 reunion

The Charlevoix High School Class of 1974 is having a Casual Class Reunion on at 6 p.m. on Aug. 1, at the Charlevoix Estates Clubhouse. Contact anyone that may be interested. It is a bring your own everything event. Contact Debbie at debg20@hotmail.com or 547-3956

AUG. 3

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at 6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Call 237-7340 for more information.

East Jordan area events

Aug. 4 - Deadline for entry in Friends of the Jordan An-

nual Photography Contest. Go to www.friendsofthejordan.org or call (231) 631-8856.

Aug. 7 - Friday Moonlit River trip. Bring your kayaks or canoes and meet at 8:30 PM at the Rogers Road access. Potluck to follow at the Jordan River Watershed Center. Bring your own and a dish to pass.

Aug. 15 - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Morning Nature Hike: Bennett Creek Preserve on M-66 just N. of Kadder Road.

Aug. 22 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday pig roast Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser. Cedar Bend Farms 1021 Doerr Road, Mancelona, MI 49659. Call (231) 587-8126. Food, music, silent auction for all ages. Adults \$15, kids 3 to 10 \$7.50, Under 3 free. Call 536-4977 to purchase advance tickets.

Aug. 24 - 6 p.m. Monday, spaghetti dinner at Caruso's Family Dining, U.S. 131 Alba \$6 per person. Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

AUG. 13

Musical/comedy luncheon The Ragamuffin Theatre & Company presents "So You Think You're A Princess?" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Perry Hotel on Aug. 13. Cost is \$27 for adults and \$22 for children for this musical comedy luncheon.

AUG. 15

Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in classroom A.

The next one is scheduled for Wednesday Aug. 5.

Health Screens include: cholesterol (total cholesterol, HDL, the healthy cholesterol which protects the heart, and a ratio, which ideally should be under 4.5 to help prevent stroke and heart attack), blood sugar level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a blood pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all of the test results (including the blood results) at the time of the screen.

Blood will be obtained by a Registered Nurse by a painless finger-stick method with no fasting required. Health Con-

sultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes and could end up saving your life.

AUG. 29

ORV training

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider offers an ORV training class for those citizens who need to comply with the new Michigan State law and Charlevoix County ordinance on ORV operation on our county road system. Training will take place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office training room.

Registration required at www.charlevoixcounty.org and go to the "Sheriff's" link to fill out the application and forward the typewritten application to the Sheriff's Office, 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, with attention Deputy Genna Gauthier. You may also e-mail your application to gauthier@charlevoixcounty.org. Call 547-4461 for more. Picture ID is required by all students.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eye glasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food pantry is open from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in Charlevoix Public School district is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church office at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off of 16 one half mile south of town.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Flap Jack family restaurant.



Oldies but goodies

July showers didn't prevent several dozen people from sitting—and dancing—in the rain to listen to the classic rock-n-roll tunes of the Fabulous Oldies but Goodies band during the cruise-in night of the Charlevoix Street Legends car show weekend.

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LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Dear friends of Northwest Michigan:

It was a great pleasure to return home recently for the grand re-opening of Resort Township's East Park. While the weather for the June 20th celebration was cool and cloudy, the moods of those who attended were bright; the event provided a visible example of the environmental progress being made by CMS Land Company at the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project.

At CMS Land, we are proud of the work that has been done at East Park and all along the shoreline near the Bay Harbor community. The solutions installed at East Park have worked well and environmental results have been impressive. Monitoring of the lake shows that the safeguards are working. And, in June, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan opened all access to the lake at the park. Now, we turn the page.

Soon, CMS Land will deliver to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information collected from our monitoring wells at East Park to help establish standards for mercury as the project moves toward completion. Positive results from this monitoring should lead to having long-term oversight of the project moved from the federal government to state officials here in Michigan. In addition, CMS continues its work to find a safe and cost-effective local option to dispose of the water collected at East Park and at locations in the Bay Harbor community, including using proven methods to safely release the water to the lake.

These will all be exciting milestones in the life of this project, one that began with an abandoned cement factory and just recently celebrated the reopening of a world-class public park.

I would like to thank all those who helped make the opening of East Park a great success. We will build on that success as we move into the final stages of this environmental effort.

Sincerely,

David C. Menzies
David Menzies, President
CMS Land Company

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For several years, environmental work has been underway to address problems left behind from the old cement plant that used to operate along the Lake Michigan shore. To obtain more information about the work done at East Park and throughout the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit www.cleaningourbay.com



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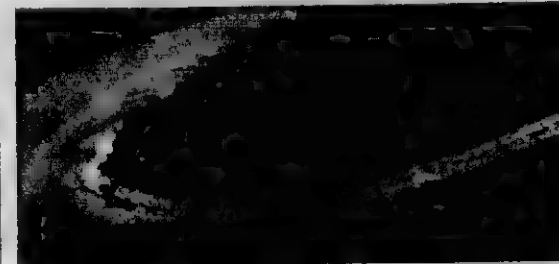


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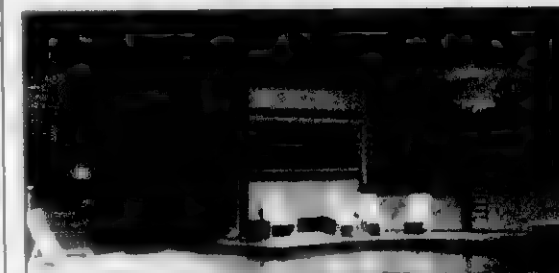
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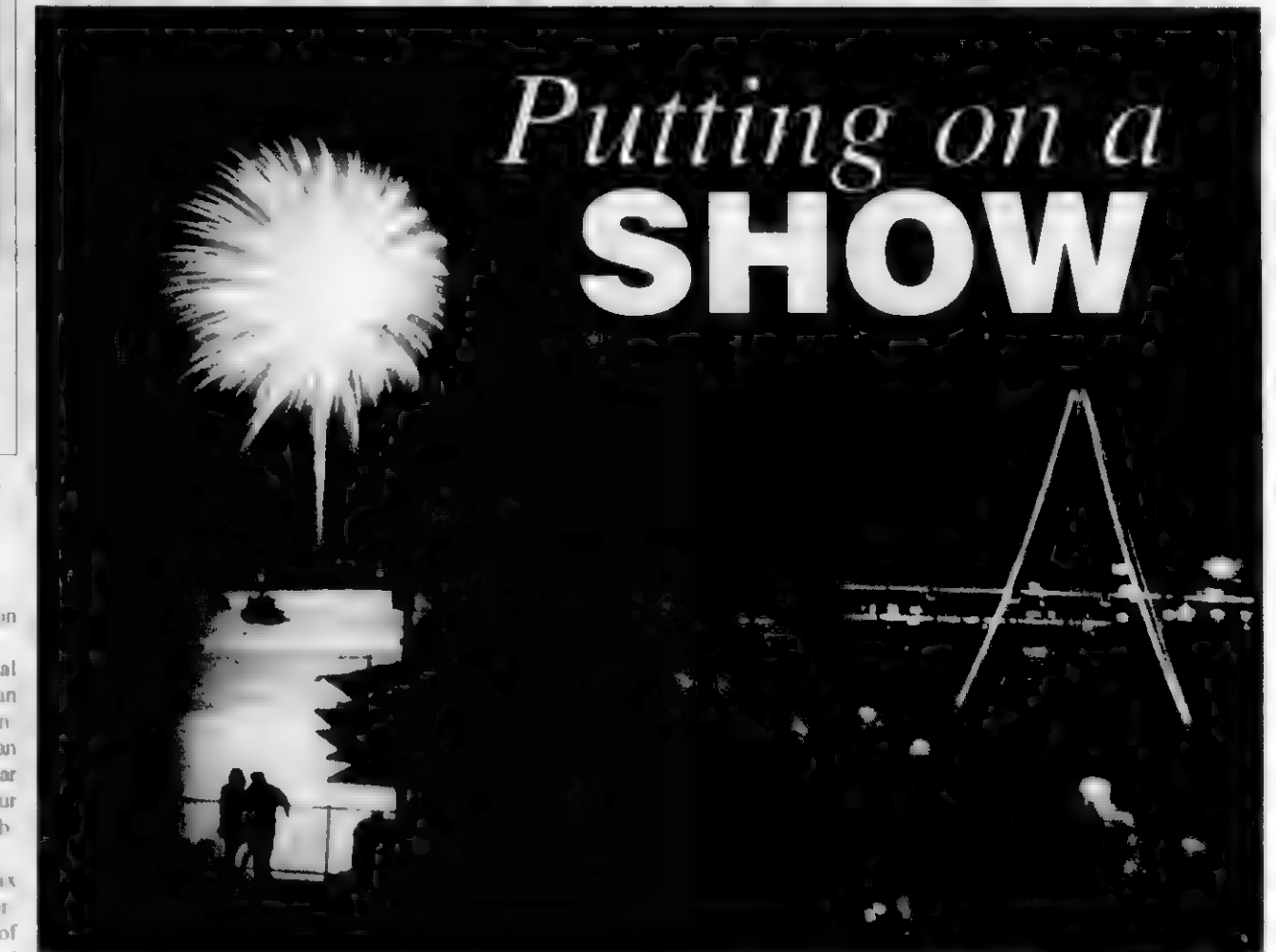
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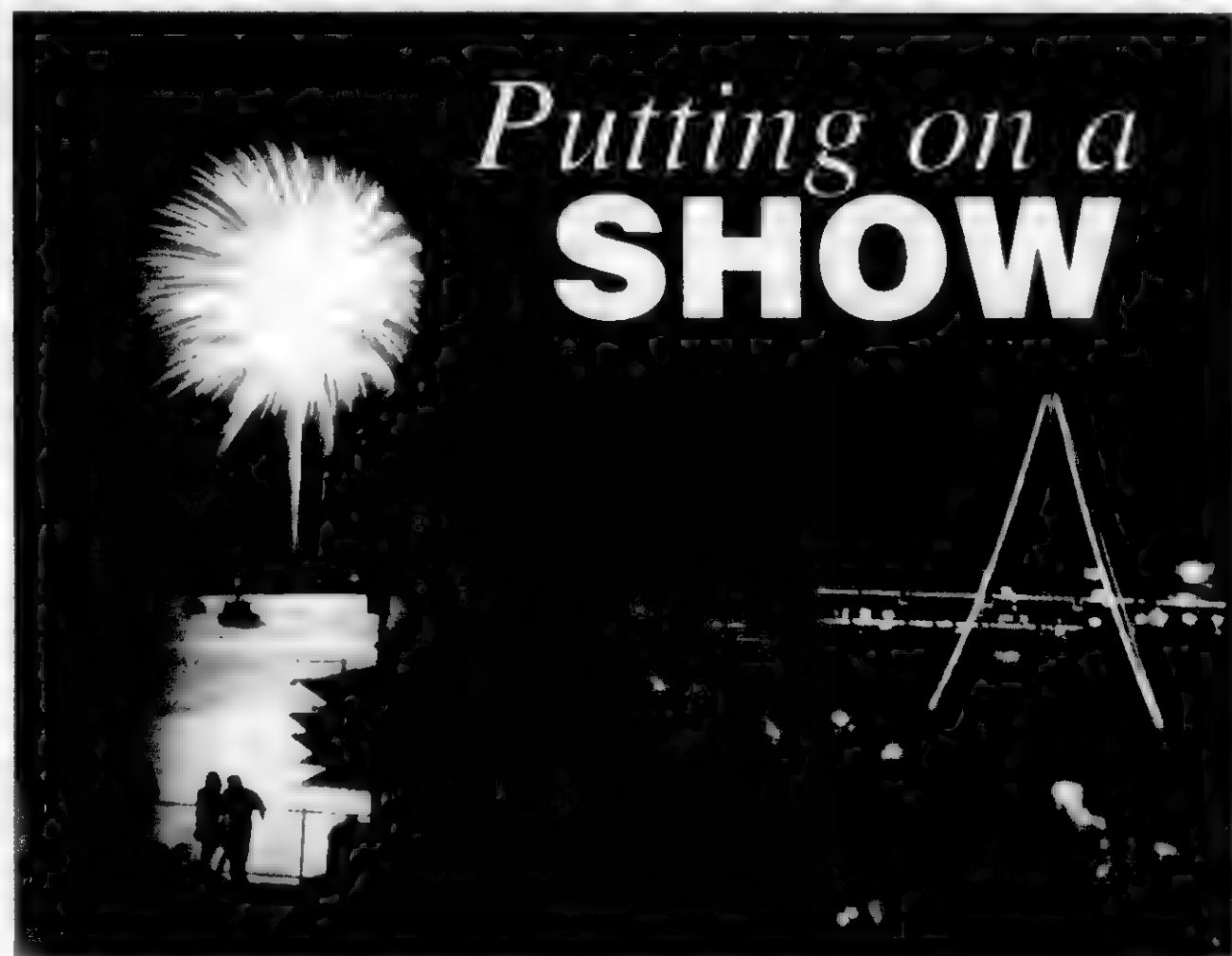
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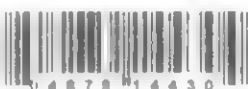
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CAR CRASH

At 10:05 a.m. on July 16, Eugene Kerr (age 42) of Petoskey lost control of her vehicle while traveling east on Boyne City/Charlevoix Road near Old 31 north.

Kerr was wearing her seat belt and both driver side and passenger air bags deployed when the vehicle struck trees alongside the roadway. Charlevoix County Sheriff and deputies responded to the scene along with Michigan State Police.

Charlevoix EMS transported Kerr to Charlevoix Area Hospital for evaluation.

Kerr sustained minor lacerations to her face.

Charlevoix County Road Commission downed trees to free Kerr's vehicle so it could be removed from the woods.

The accident remains under investigation at this time.

• ORV crash

At 5:35 p.m. on Friday, July 17, at West Road east of C-56 — BC/Charlevoix Road — in Bay Township.

Injured driver of ORV is Christian William Kirkby, 18 year old from Horton

Bay driving an '03 TRX250 Honda quad runner. Alcohol was not a factor, no helmet worn.

Quad runner struck a '92 Chevrolet 1-ton pick-up head-on taking front driver's side wheel off of truck and destroying the quad runner.

Off-road vehicle then spun into ditch ejecting the driver. The pick-up was driven by Cody Ray Crandell of Boyne City, and he was not injured.

The quad runner driver was seriously injured and transported to Northern Michigan Hospital by Boyne City EMS.

The ORV driver was ticketed for careless driving and not wearing a helmet. The pick-up driver was not at fault.

Both vehicles were towed from the scene in inoperable condition.

• Water incident

At 4:54 p.m. on July 20, at Slip #98 at the Harborage Marina in Boyne City.

Mark Simmons, 58, of Boyne City, was working on the dock when he fell into the water.

Charlevoix Sheriff's marine officers responded and were assisted at the scene by Boyne City Police Department and Boyne City

Ambulance.

BIRTHS

Landen Matthew Whisler weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces was born on July 21, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Shelly Barrow and Justin Whisler of Charlevoix. His siblings are Robert and Ramona Barrow of Crystal Lake, Ray and Kris Whisler of Ellsworth. His great-grandparents are Wanda Barrow, and Marilyn Roach, both of Central Lake and Joyce Blair of Coldwater.

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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Christian Shane Bersano, 18, Petoskey. Motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$365 in fines and costs.

Lucas Daniel Pennington, 30, East Jordan. Operator license suspended/revoked/deny/allow. Pay \$310 in fines and costs.

Toby Ray Flaget, 38, Sandwich, Ill. Disorderly/obscene conduct. Pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Daniel Bruce Hanselman, 47, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Credit

for one day in jail; 67 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; submit to PBT/urine test; to attend Impact weekend; \$985 in fines and costs.

Lynne Martin Edmonds, 64, East Jordan. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve eight days in jail.

Thomas Jason Kolbiaz, 35, Linwood. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

James Ryan Larsen, 21, Boyne City. Malicious destruction of property, less than \$200. Pay \$413.57 or serve eight days in jail.

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Old time rock & roll

One of East Jordan's original rock and roll bands returns home Friday, July 31, when they take to the stage in East Jordan's Memorial Park. When they do, this four piece band will play two hours of classic rock and roll music from the 1960s to the 1980s. The Full Circle was an early 1970s top 40 rock band that played at area teen centers as well as at area high school dances. Two of the original members John Slough and Nick Liak return as part of this "hometown reunion" concert. Joining them will be Roger Liak on bass guitar, wind synthesizer, and vocals, and local drummer Rich Simmons. The concert is from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, July 31 in East Jordan's Memorial Park Bandshell.

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Duty or harassment?

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Some local auto lots are throwing up an SOS after dealing with one Michigan Secretary of State inspector.

A used car dealer, an RV salvage yard owner and a motorcycle repair/cycle shop in Charlevoix are all crying foul — but, the state says it was merely doing its job.

"I've never been treated like that," said Ron and Shirley Daugherty, owners of D&D Salvage & Surplus.

The Daughertys said Sue Grimm with the Secretary of State's inspection unit was rude and antagonistic when she made the surprise inspection to their business.

Grimm declined to comment.

Daugherty and his wife Shirley claim to have the largest selection of RV and motorhome parts in six states. But, they said, even a thriving salvage business has its slow times.

"We go to Florida every winter, that's where I work. Nobody's buying motorhome parts in January," Ron said.

"What am I supposed to do? This is a seasonal business."

Ken Silfven, with the Office of Communications in the Michigan Department of State, said the Daughertys are welcome to go to Florida each winter so long as they appoint someone to keep the business open 30 hours per week per state law.

The reason each lot owner was inspected apparently differed, but the complaints of mistreatment by the inspector in question were similar.

"She (Grimm) said she wanted to see the police book and standard paperwork," said Craig Cooper, manager of Maxwell Bros. Cycle Shop in Charlevoix. "I didn't have a police book to show her because we haven't made any purchases or sales — we're a repair facility. We got the license to buy and sell in the event that we may eventually wish to do so."

He added, "She found it hard to believe we had made no purchases."

Grimm next turned her attention to the half-dozen or so motorcycles on the showroom floor.

"She asked, 'Are you charging a fee to sell these?' I told her 'No. This is a courtesy to our customers,'" Cooper said.

"She said it could be confusing to the customers, but we are in the service business and this is a service I can offer my customers. It's a bike shop — it looks better with bikes on the floor."

He added, "I have customers walk in here every day and say, 'Where are the bikes?'"

Silfven said his inspector was told the customer motorcycles were on consignment and he added that brokers need a Class D license.

"Consignment?" I never used that term, I know better," Cooper said.

Grimm then accused Cooper of purchasing two four-door Dodge vehicles with the company license and failing to have valid paperwork on them.

"I again told her we did not buy or sell anything new

or used. I said it must be a mistake," he said. "She was not kind."

"The law is the law. It's our duty to enforce it and the obligation of license holders to obey it," said Silfven. "Any time you enforce the law, not everyone is going to be happy. But, I can assure you that nobody is being treated unfairly — that's not how our staff conducts itself."

Grimm's superior Terry Jorgensen said it's not the state's job to try to shut businesses down.

"If somebody doesn't want to stay in business, we'll help track their demise, but it's up to them to lose the license, not for us to take it," Jorgensen said. "Trust me; they're not being harassed."

Like the Daughertys, Cooper said Maxwell Bros.' owners have discussed closing during slow winter months, but now fear that is not an option.

"Big heating bills eat us up and we don't do much business after the holidays up until April or May," Cooper said. "But it looks like it's difficult to reapply for our license."

Fellow dealers say they believe Tom Keie, owner of Reliable Auto & Truck Sales at 06798 U.S. 31 in Charlevoix received the worst treatment by being threatened with closure and having his ability to buy and sell used cars suspended for at least two months.

Keie declined to comment on the alleged harassment by Grimm citing fear of retribution from the Michigan Department of State.

Maxwell Bros. were given a notice of noncompliance



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Craig Cooper, manager of Maxwell Bros. cycle shop helps customer.

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Keie said he bought a car from a dealership in Petoskey and sold it to someone who complained that it took too long to deliver the title.

Due to that alleged incident, he was accused of several violations including poor record keeping and failing to deliver a title in a timely manner, but has since had his license fully reinstated.

Alleged violations at the time of investigation on D&D included no established place of business and records not available for inspection since the couple was in Florida.

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Georgeann Edford, The Elzingas, The Krauses, Marge McGoff & Linda Muller at Castle Farms for opening their gorgeous gardens

The Co-chairs of the Garden Walk:
Jeckie Kruttsch & Karen Benning and all their Sub-Committee Chairs and workers
Joyce Reznick & Pat Sessler the Co-Chairs of the luncheon and all other table designers & "servers"

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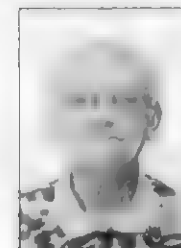
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Mid-summer garden report



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

While I certainly enjoy fresh vegetables from the kitchen garden, and watching plants grow is one of my favorite activities, I have several lazy genes.

That means I don't wish to spend any more time than is necessary in the weeding, planting and cultivating of that garden.

My ultimate goal would be to have a garden that needed only spring cultivation and thereafter would grow what I like and need without any further planting.

Each year I am coming closer to that goal.

This year's garden has at least ten annuals coming up abundantly from seed produced in place every year.

That is not counting the

potato plant, tomato plant and unusual squash that show up occasionally from the previous year's leftovers.

Winter Mustard is a spicy, flavorful red-leaved volunteer that comes up each year in such abundance that I must remove some of the plants or allow other things to grow.

It produces seed by midsummer and will grow another crop from that seed before frost in the fall. It is delicious both in salads and as a cooked green.

There are a couple of closely related curly endive plants that also produce seed by midsummer after providing some of the earliest salad greens.

A common weed called Lamb's Quarters is a wonderful early, spinach-like green that would take over the garden if I didn't remove most of it each year before it produces seed in late summer.

Without my encouragement it makes some of the most delicious vegetables in the whole garden. I let a few plants of early-planted Leaf Lettuce bloom and seed each year and harvest

early leaf lettuce the following spring.

The plants show up randomly, around their corner of the garden, and need a little bit of early protection to do their best.

Both Dill, for the dried leaves and seed, and Cilantro, with the later seed pods that I save for coriander, grow each year without any of my help, and could be considered weeds by folks who don't recognize the young plants.

Annual poppies with large, red, double blooms produce not only a lovely July appearance, but provide more than enough poppy seed for the spice and herb shelf.

They come up by the hundreds all over the garden after spring cultivation and have to be treated as weeds in places I don't want them.

Annual Wormwood, also called Sweet Annie, started from three plants three years ago, and now comes up almost everywhere.

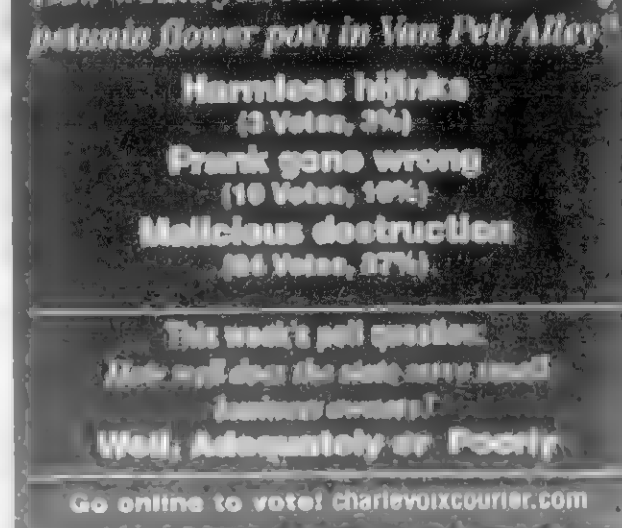
The plants are insect repellent and with some preparation

make a very interesting flavoring for Vermouth.

I suspect that, scattered around those things that I actually plant, they help control insect population.

More than a decade ago I purchased a few seeds of a plant called Shoo-fly or apple of Peru.

As the name suggests, it too is insect repellent. It has lovely large blue flowers all summer and attractive seed pods that are good for dried arrangements.



small to collect.

But it is there reliably each year and if the recession gets really bad, maybe we'll need it.

If I have counted right, that is eleven kinds of plants that seed themselves in my garden each year.

Consider them garden volunteers.

I do have to plant some things, but I'm closing in on my goal of no planting at all

and just judicious weeding to keep the wilder kinds in check.

There are several other sorts of persistent weeds that I have not yet tried out as food.

Purslane, which comes up in early July most years, has both food and medicinal qualities, according to some authorities.

Seems it is a good source of omega-3 fatty acids. The garden future looks bright.

Flirting with fashion faux pas: hip or horrible?



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwilt

I've been hearing a lot recently about age appropriate attire for women.

Fashion experts pound their fists like ministers admonishing a sinful flock.

Models representing multiple generations are pictured in glossy fashion mags swathed in pieces that reflect a progressively dwindling ability to carry off haute couture.

It seems to be a hot topic. The illustrations for these "How to Dress Your Age" articles segue through the decades,

beginning with women in their twenties, who are allowed to wear anything.

In our 30s, a nod to professional decorum is prevalent and by the time we turn 40, we're hedging into dowager territory.

Hemlines drop and necklines rise until eventually we're draped in tweed and turtlenecks, gripping a valise-sized purse full of coupons and hard candy.

It's my determination that the source of this controversy emanates from a well-meaning, albeit dismissive effort to discourage women over forty from running around in fishnet stockings and bomber jackets—a reasonable, if not lofty, endeavor.

Nobody wants to see mom decked out like Cher in a Vegas review, probably not even Chastity.

I believe that the intention

is noble, but the list of dos and don'ts is offensively jejune.

I've been dressing myself for years. I have a mirror. If something is sticking out or jiggling, I will drape it in black.

I don't need to be reminded that sweat pants with the word "Juicy" emblazoned on the derriere are not an option.

Although, having mentioned it, that example has nothing to do with age.

No matter how adorable it may be, your butt is not a billboard.

Unless it says "butt," writing on the seat of your pants will never be an accurate reflection of who you are.

And isn't that what fashion is all about? Aren't we seeking to define ourselves outwardly by what we choose to wear without literally spelling it out?

I understand that when I run to the store for a gallon of ice cream in flip-flops, jeans and a baseball cap, I am saying, "Don't notice me. I'm invisible."

But, I also recognize the penchant for a festive costume.

Accessorizing tentatively at age four, I carried a chic poodle-print umbrella everywhere, rain or shine. I graduated to psychedelic tights and go-go boots in high school and moved on to full-blown funky by the time I turned 20.

Thrift stores had not yet become a popular source for financially challenged fashionistas and the pickings were good. A colorful Mexican tourist jacket with felt appliqués of donkeys and sombreros worn over a frothy World War II-era formal—that smelled only faintly

of mothballs—was one of my favorite outfits. It made an eye-popping Tribal Military Princess statement in combination with a pair of lug-soled Doc Martin's.

I hope that I never completely give up the concept of wardrobe as art.

Just because I've retired the demented prom queen getup doesn't mean that I'm willing to schlep around in elastic-waist denim. I believe that it's our privilege and even our responsibility to continue to make at least a rudimentary effort to amuse our fellow human beings when we venture out in public.

It's up to each of us to decide how we will present ourselves. Make your mantra, "What can I wear to have fun today?"

Maybe you're in an Eddie Bauer frame of mind. It happens. And it's okay to reach for

the khakis, but it's not mandatory.

A caftan with a turban and enough jewelry to anchor a dirigible is one example of an eccentric old hat ensemble that has enjoyed a respectable run, but it too has become cliché.

Why not at least consider some more creative options once in a while?

Going about with helium balloons tied to the hem of your skirt could backfire or it could be the next cover of Vogue.

Either way, it would be hilarious. And that does count for something because fashion is supposed to be fun. Since they're going to get all up in our business anyway, let's really give 'em something to talk about.

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LETTERS to the editor

SCHOOL BOARD

Editor: On the evening of July 13, I was in attendance as a guest along with my husband, Chuck (Herring, Michigan Education Association Uniserv Director from the Alpena area) at your local school board meeting.

During the Public Comments section on the agenda, several teachers spoke from prepared statements, and referred to displayed informational posters along the side of the room. Their statements highlighted a number of ways that the school district could save large amounts of money during taxing negotiations on a contract that in my understanding has been expired for some time.

Additionally, one of the teachers spoke to concessions that had been made by the educational staff in the past. The entire presentation was professionally and respectfully conducted, even though it was evident there was some frustration present due to the unsettled contract, and one teacher did indicate that many of the staff felt unappreciated.

After the teachers completed their statements, the board conducted the remainder of their meeting until a second opportunity arose on the agenda for comments once again. The board members

were additionally allowed to make comments.

Board member Jeff Stevens offered a highly respectful reply to the earlier teacher presentations, and apologized for any indications that the staff was not appreciated. He assured the staff that such was not the case that each and every staff person was in fact thought very highly of.

He added that he was grateful for the information presented this evening, and that he would take it all under consideration in these difficult times.

Board member Bo Boss, seated to Steven's immediate left, agreed wholeheartedly with Mr. Stevens.

Up until this moment, the entire meeting was conducted professionally and respectfully, and then following Mr. Boss's words, board member Judith Ivan, seated to the left of boss, made a statement that left me utterly shocked and appalled.

Mrs. Ivan was obviously extremely upset by the contract negotiation issues and started her statement by saying that only one thing in world is guaranteed to be black and white—the rising and setting of the sun, and that everything in between was "difficult."

She then added that something else was black and

white, and that was that the school system had no money in the bank.

She mentioned that she knew of two professionals who had recently lost their jobs and that the school staff should be grateful just to be employed. (Should the unfortunate loss of two jobs be "paid for" by an educational staff?)

What was so utterly astounding to me was first of all, the glaring omission of any reference to all the prepared statements and posters which actually highlighted constructive, doable ways to save the district large amounts of money, thereby providing funding to facilitate in the settlement of the contract.

The teachers had in effect, handed the board some additional funding which was totally ignored by Mrs. Ivan. Secondly, the emotion with which Judith Ivan delivered her comments, with noticeable reddening of the face and palpable vocal irritation, was topped off by what looked very much like tears in her eyes. All this was evident from my vantage point in the back of the room. It was as if Judith Ivan somehow had a personal stake in the issues, which left me confused and wondering if a member who is so emotionally caught up in these issues can be a fair and

impartial decision maker on a school board.

If I were a voter in the Charlevoix school district, I would not vote for Mrs. Ivan to hold a seat on this board.

It is unfortunate when one board member takes the issues and makes such a fuss, but for the sake of the school staff in the Charlevoix district, one can only have confidence in the fairness of the remaining members to look at the helpful information so carefully researched and provided so that an agreement can be reached in the near future.

Sincerely,
Jan Herring
Alpena, MI

HAPPY 100TH, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Editor: A warm welcome is extended to each of you by the members of the Christian Science society of Charlevoix, our community Church, celebrating 100 years in Charlevoix.

In the summer of 1906 a group of area visitors, students of Christian Science, began meeting.

By autumn of 1908 the informal meetings were extended throughout the year. By May 24, 1909, this group formed and adopted

the by-laws that govern our church today.

Still operating, Sunday Church Services are at 11 a.m. with Wednesday Evening Meetings at 7 p.m.

All are welcome to celebrate our 100 years in Charlevoix with us.

Wonderful stories abound of traveling to church in horse drawn sleighs in winter as well as walking through the quiet, little fish town on pleasant summer Sundays.

Memories are treasured of visiting the friendly church filled with bouquets of home grown blue delphinium, attending Wednesday Evening Meetings as the sun set over Lake Michigan to give a first testimony, traveling to Sunday School with families. Our cozy church became an oasis.

Established 100 years ago in 1909, we continue still "to reinstate primitive Christianity and its lost element of healing," a mission set forth by Discoverer and Founder Mary Baker Eddy.

We are one of many branches worldwide of The Mother church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

Spirituality.com has expanded to include live interacting discussions as well as archives of printed articles on Christian Science. You may search into its calendar of events for something of interest to you.

9:30 a.m., Sunday on 580 AM radio, the Christian Science Sentinel Radio Program continues to be well received. To commemorate our 100th year, a talk will be sponsored by this Society along with the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Petoskey. The free talk entitled "Discover Your Divine Connection to Overflowing Resources" by Mary Walters, C.S.B. of St. Louis, Mo., will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 7, at the Charlevoix Public Library.

All will be joyfully welcomed. Char Smith Ellsworth

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Soiree to support swimming

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Charlevoix Area Community Pool is hosting its 20th annual fundraiser at 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 9 at Castle Farms.

The dinner/auction's proceeds will be used to fund the daily operational expenses of the pool.

"The major mission of the pool is to teach swimming to children," said Bruce MacArthur, founding member of the Charlevoix County citizen's group, Conservation and Renewable Energy (CARE). "The city used to teach swimming in Lake Charlevoix."

MacArthur, a patron of the project, has played an active role in making the community pool a reality.

He has even made provisions in his will for the continued success of the pool's programs.

MacArthur said that he feels it's important for kids to learn how to swim, especially since they are living in an area that is surrounded by water.

"I started with a survey of 20 some pools across the country," MacArthur said, explaining the research that was done early in the conception of the project. "A lot of us worked hard to raise the money and make it happen."

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool fundraiser is being held at Castle Farms for the first time this year.

"Until now, we've always held it at the Charlevoix Country Club. They did a great job for us, but space was limited to about 150 people," said MacArthur. "We can accommodate 200 at Castle Farms, and we've dropped the ticket price from



COURTESY PHOTO

Charlevoix Area Community Pool Director Al Gooch is seen here holding items which will be on the block for the pool's annual fundraiser auction 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9 at Castle Farms. Items up for auction include a ship's wheel from Mike and Rhea Dow and an electric GEM car on consignment from Fox Motors of Charlevoix.

to \$50 this year."

Items to be auctioned during the event include an undecorated surprise donation from Charlevoix Ace Hardware and a hand painted chest from Bartlett's Home Interiors, among others.

A GEM (Global Electric Motors) from Fox Charlevoix will also be offered to the highest bidder.

The American-made NEV (Neighborhood Electric Vehicle) is from Chrysler. Battery powered and street-legal on roads posted at 35 mph or less,

the donated electric car is one of 20 available at the fox lot, according to sales manager, Frank Veraldi.

The event is co-chaired by Mark Geyerbrecht and Mike Dow. Tickets are available at the Charlevoix Community Pool, Charlevoix Camera, or by calling 541-1222.

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Good-bye, Mr. Stamps

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Ted Pennell has sorted out his future.

The Charlevoix Post Office employee is retiring from his position behind the counter on July 31, and he tells those that ask about his plans that he intends to become a grumpy old man, sit in the park and feed pigeons.

"They tell me all I have to do is learn how to feed pigeons," Pennell said. And then he mentioned another option.

"I'll probably be a ranger at a golf course."

For 30 years, Pennell has greeted customers, traded jokes and memorized the names and faces of the city's population.

"I made a lot of friends. There are a lot of good people in Charlevoix," he said.

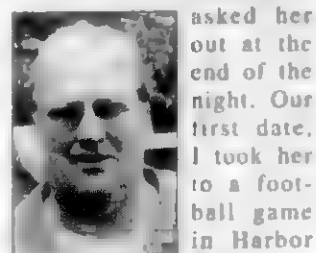
Pennell carried city routes when he first started working at the Post Office.

"We clerked some days and carried some days. They don't do that anymore," he said. "Now you're either a clerk or a carrier, but we did a little of everything then."

Born in Grand Haven, Pennell moved to Petoskey with his family in 1978.

He met his wife, Lucy, at a high school football game.

"It was cold out, and my friend and I asked the girls if they wanted to sit in our car and watch the game," Pennell recalled. "I asked her out at the end of the night. Our first date, I took her to a football game in Harbor Springs."



Pennell

The couple has been married for 36 years and their children Jennifer, 24, and Tim, 23, are both dean list students at Eastern Michigan University and Saginaw Valley State University, respectively.

A sports enthusiast, Pennell played fast pitch softball and volleyball in Petoskey, and later coached Little League and women's softball before discovering an affinity for golf.

He says that he hopes to work on his game now that he'll have the time.

He's also looking forward to a little rest and relaxation.

Pennell doesn't own a cell phone or a computer, and he chooses to distance himself from the demands and distractions of modern communication devices.

"I don't want to be constantly available. I just like things simple and calm," he said. "My kids give me a hard time about it, but I'm not that into technology."

Pennell recalled answering some unlikely questions during his 30 years.

"One customer asked, 'How much is a two-cent stamp?' I told them it was two cents, but I could give them two for four cents. Another time, someone asked me how long the Forever Stamp was good for. Forever. It's good forever."

After a while, Pennell said, he learned which customers he could joke around with. But he made it a point to give good service to everyone.

"People want to be treated with common courtesy. I just tried to be right and truthful with them."

Summing up his 30 year career with the Post Office, Pennell said "I enjoyed my time there and I'm glad they put up with me."

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Big band

The Charlevoix City Band is seen here performing during the Rhythms of Venetian during the 79th Annual Venetian Festival on Tuesday, July 21 in East Park's Odmart Pavilion.

The kid's got pipes

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

How often does someone try-out for something they've never done before and discover they were a star all along?

It may sound like a made-for-TV movie, but 18-year-old Stephen Beck of Charlevoix only recently began acting and then learned he could sing — well enough to be a Young American.

"We didn't know he could act and sing," said Beck's mother Penny Berlage. "I mean, we've always sang growing up. As a single mom, that's what we do: watch movies and travel up from Tennessee (to visit fam-

ily) and because we watched so many Disney movies, we can do the entire movie verbatim — dialogue and song."

She added, "I something happens at the dinner table where a certain word is said, we break out in song."

Beck first realized his love of acting when the Charlevoix High School Performing Arts program needed someone to play Colonel Mustard in Clue the Musical.

Beck also played the mayor of Whoville in Seussical the Musical and recently played Gaston in a production of Beauty and the Beast in Harbor Springs.

"A promoter for the Young

Americans was in the audience at the show (Beauty and the Beast) and told him he should audition," Berlage said.

Beck said he was so nervous he nearly didn't go to the audition.

"I was concerned that it might be kind of pointless to go because I didn't know if I was good enough for them," he said. "But, they liked my personality and singing voice."

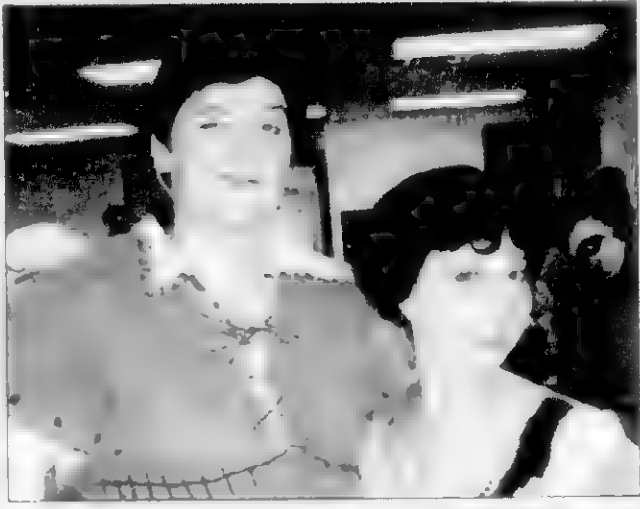
Beck received his letter of acceptance from the Young Americans in the days following the audition.

The Young Americans is a traveling music and dance troupe which was formed nearly

50 years ago. Young singers, dancers and musicians from 15 to 21 years old, who are accepted, get the chance to live near the Young Americans' campus in California and learn their style of upbeat Broadway-style performances.

Beck now must raise nearly \$10,000 to pay for the year's tuition to the Young Americans' school.

"I'm going to be working



COURTESY PHOTO

Actor/singer Stephen Beck (left) of Charlevoix is pictured here dressed in his Beauty and the Beast garb. Beck was recently accepted into the Young Americans.

through this next winter to save up," he said.

Tuition is \$8,500 and Beck said he will need several thousand for incidental expenses.

Berlage said she is very proud of her son and hopes he can come up with the finances needed to enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

"I really want to go out there and experience this for my life," Beck said.

Berlage added, "It shows that a kid from a small town can go on and make it."

Beck has until June 2010 to raise the funds necessary to participate in the Young Americans' school.

Anyone interested in helping Beck fulfill his dream may send donations c/o The Stephen Beck Fund, Patricia Leitner, 6685 M-66 North, #26, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

"I would greatly appreciate any help because it will be very hard for him to earn all the money he needs," Berlage added.

Beck said he will accept any help he can get.

"This is something I really want to do. I never thought I would be able to do something like this," he said.

What's happening at the Library?

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Wednesday, July 29, 1:00 pm
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The Iron Craftsmanship of Tom Moran
Thursday, July 30, 6:30 pm
Meet the artist who sculpted the library's butterfly sculpture.

Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice
Monday, August 3, 6:00 pm
Perhaps the best known and most enduring of Austen's works is the story of spirited Elizabeth Bennet and the proud Mr. Darcy. Discussion guides for Pride and Prejudice are available at the Information Services Desk. Join the discussion and then attend the program "The Life and Times of Jane Austen" Thursday, August 6.

Summerfolk Concert with Pinky Lee
Monday, August 3, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Join Pinky Lee for an hour long folk concert followed by a jam session in the Round by all who are interested.

Summer Reading Club Activities
Tuesday, August 4, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
All ages are welcome to participate either in setting up their own booth with handmade crafts — or just drop by to shop. All booths and crafts are created by and sold by the youth of Charlevoix.

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Wednesday, August 5, 10:00 - 11:00 am
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OBITUARIES

Teresa Marie Seese: Passed away on Oct. 29, 2008

A memorial service will be held for family and friends of Teresa Marie Seese who passed away Oct. 29, 2008 at Carliou Memorial Hospital, in

Roanoke, Va. Pastor Michael Arp will be officiating at the Family of Faith Ministries, 203 E. Up-night, Charlevoix on Saturday.

Aug. 1, 2009. In lieu of flowers, a benefit fund has been set up for her two sons, Prestyn Seese (9) and Hayden Prevo (7) at the

Charlevoix State Bank. Any questions, please call Karen at (231) 675-9694.

Jayson T. Rayl: August 25, 1980 - July 26, 2009

Jayson T. Rayl, 28, of Charlevoix, died Sunday July 26, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

Funeral will be 2 p.m., Wednesday July 29, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, where friends may meet Jayson's family beginning at noon. The Reverend David Behling of the First Baptist Church will officiate.

Jayson was born Aug. 25 1980, in Sandusky to Timothy D. and Elizabeth A. (Jayson) Rayl.

He grew up in Cass City and graduated from Cass City High School in 1998. He moved to northern Michigan in 2004, and has been employed by Harbor Industries in Charlevoix for the past five years.

Jayson loved the outdoors, and enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He is survived by his beloved, Joan M. Scott; their son, Austin J. Rayl, and her daughter, Cheyenne L. Scott all of Charlevoix; parents, Timothy and Elizabeth Rayl of Boyne City; sisters, Shiraug Rayl of Lansing, Emily (Andrew) Hartwick of Shelbyville; pa-

ternal grandparents, Walter and Delia Rayl of Snover; and was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Michael Jayson of Marlette.

Contributions made in Jayson's memory may be given to Joan Scott for his son Austin Rayl, c/o Winchester Funeral Home, 209 State St., Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Cruise on research vessel

Grand Valley State University's W.G. Jackson research vessel is offering cruises into Lake Michigan as part of its Making Lake Michigan Great 2009 tour.

The purpose of the tour is to spread the word about the management plan for Lake Michigan and gather input on lakewide issues from the public at the tour's ports of call.

The W.G. Jackson is the 65-foot specially designed research and education vessel of the Grand Valley's Annis Water Resources Institute (AWRI).

The Jackson takes out more than 3,000 people per year on hands-on educational cruises.

There is no charge to participants on Jackson cruises.

The tour schedule for the general public at the Charlevoix stop is 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. to 4 p.m. on July 30.

To reserve a spot, for age 9 and above, call the Charlevoix Convention and Visitors Bureau at (800) 367-8557 or 237-0920.

Space is limited. The Jackson science instructors and crew, in cooperation with local hosts, provide the program for the cruises on the tour.

Generally, there are cruises for groups of up to 30 adults and children.

On cruises, participants experience hands-on science as they sample and analyze lake water.

There are presentations about the Lake Michigan Lakewide Management Plan, the U.S. EPA Lake Michigan Forum, and local issues of concern.

On the vessel are informational handouts for the public and some space for displays from local groups.

The tour is a project of the

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Lake Michigan Forum in cooperation with the AWRI.

The EPA's Great Lakes National Program Office funds the tour.

This will be the 12th year for Making Lake Michigan Great. During these years, 33 ports of call in Lake Michigan will have been visited.

The 2009 Tour reaches Milwaukee, Port Washington, Beaver Island, Charlevoix and White Lake.

Information gathered on the tour about lakewide concerns helps the Lake Michigan Forum with its mission, which is to be a public input group to the U.S. EPA's Lake Michigan efforts.

For more details about the tour, contact Dr. Janet Vail, GVSU-AWRI associate professor and co-chair, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Lake Michigan Forum, at (616) 331-3048 or vailj@gvsu.edu.

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Wednesday, July 29, 2009

Shining light on the restoration project

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER
The newly-painted South Pier lighthouse will be presented to

the public in a ceremony at the South Pier/Pine River Channel at 3 p.m. on Aug. 5. Stripped of the old lead-based

paint, the structure has been repainted a traditional lighthouse red, completing phase two of the restoration process.

"The city owns it, but the Charlevoix Historical Society has a sub-lease as the stewards of the lighthouse," said Mary Adams, who co-chairs the Lighthouse Restoration Committee, along with Mike Bergeon. "We apply for the grants, raise the money, get the bids, commission the architectural plans and supervise the work."

Phase one of the four-phase restoration project was to weatherproof the structure, and phase two involved repairing the steel braces and painting the exterior.

Phases three and four will include interior painting and replacement of brass fittings and perhaps an old-fashioned foghorn.

"We found the plans for the old diaphone foghorn and there's a possibility that we may be able to have it replicated," Bergeon said. "We're hoping that the coast guard will give us their permission to do that."

Marking the entrance from Round Lake into Lake Michigan, the beacon of the lighthouse shone for the first time on Sept. 1, 1885.

Standing seven feet above the lake, the light was visible for nine-and-a-half miles out

on the water, during clear conditions.

Situated at the mouth of the Pine River, the original structure was located at the end of the north pier.

The pyramid-shaped wooden lighthouse was moved to the south pier in 1914 and replaced with the current steel tower in 1948.

In 2005, the Charlevoix South Pier Lighthouse was regarded as excess property by the United States Coast Guard and offered at no cost to qualified entities, including federal, state and local agencies, non-profit and educational organizations.

Under the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, the National Park Service awarded the lighthouse to the city of Charlevoix.

Funds for the restoration are derived from a combination of matching grants and private donations.

In March of this year, it was announced that the Charlevoix Historical Society would receive \$29,666 from the Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program to implement restoration. The State Historic Preservation Office administers the program.

"The money came from the sale of 'Save Our Lights' license plates," Adams said.

The Michigan Architectural

Foundation awarded an additional \$7,500 to the painting project.

This is the 12th annual award bestowed by the foundation upon a not-for-profit Michigan organization in support of a significant historical restoration.

The South Pier Lighthouse

still serves as a working navigational aid on Lake Michigan.

Members of the Charlevoix Historical Society, city officials and others will be present at the event on Aug. 5.

The public is invited to attend.

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Besides volunteering for her Hometown of Ellsworth's Pig Roast, LaLone has expanded her community events from Ellsworth to her office in Charlevoix where she is secretary for the Charlevoix Lighthouse Club. Always giving back to her community, LaLone volunteers as captain for Charlevoix's Petunia Planting and as team captain for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. This year's event will be August 15-16, 2009 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix and LaLone has begun recruiting a team to raise money for cancer research—she is a survivor! For more information see Cheryl at Charlevoix's Hometown Community Bank or donate to Relay for Life online at main.acevents.org/goto/CharlevoixStateBank.

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Sample electric bill.

Customers of the city of Charlevoix Electric Utility will begin seeing a new surcharge on their electric bills starting in August.

In compliance with the clean, Renewable and Efficient Energy Act approved by the state in 2008 (P.A. 295), the city must begin implementation of an Energy Optimization plan to encourage energy conservation.

The Michigan Public Service Commission approved adding these surcharges to monthly bills for customers of 40 municipal utilities in the state, as well as Great Lakes, Consumers Energy, Detroit Edison and other utilities.

The act requires all utilities to collect money from their

customers, in the form of a surcharge, to pay for energy conservation programs and to reimburse customers for approved energy efficient purchases and projects.

The surcharge collected will be separately tracked and is a source of money for the customers to draw on to invest in energy efficiency items.

The surcharge will average 58 cents a month, starting in August.

Commercial customers will see an additional charge of \$2.80 per month for each electric meter, while the largest commercial or industrial customers will see an additional \$23.47 per month for each electric meter.

The additional funds col-

lected will be used to provide a variety of incentives to encourage energy conservation such as rebates for the purchase of energy efficient appliances and appliance recycling programs, discount coupons for the purchase of energy efficient compact fluorescent light bulbs and energy audits for residential and commercial customers.

The programs are not yet finalized but are scheduled to begin sometime in August or September.

Over the next few months, more details on the types of programs available will be communicated to customers.

The city is working with other municipal utilities and electric co-ops to make sure

all local rebate and coupon programs are similar.

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Counties now have authority to pass more stringent anti-smoking rules

NOAH FOWLE
NEWS-REVIEW STAFF
WRITER

The state's highest court ruled Tuesday that counties have the authority to pass tougher smoking bans than state lawmakers.

The decision by the Michigan Supreme Court shifts the debate on smoke-free workplaces from Lansing, where state lawmakers failed to institute a statewide ban last year, to local communities. However, the ability to ban smoking in bars and restaurants still resides with legislators.

In 2005, Emmet, Antrim and Otsego counties insti-

tuted a new set of regulations that required public and private work sites to create and implement a smoke-free policy, prohibiting smoking in all enclosed areas. Exceptions were carved out for casinos, bars, restaurants and private residences, except those used as a child care, adult day care or health care facility. Enforcement of these rules is driven by complaints.

Emmet County Board of Commissioners chairman Jim Tamlyn applauded the ruling and said it was a longtime coming.

"We were the test county for this whole thing," he said. "We put this ban into effect years ago."



Pictured is the Chicago & West Michigan Railway train on south trestle near Belvedere resort, headed for railroad bridge and Charlevoix Depot, summer 1892.

"Depot Days" at Charlevoix Train Station

The Charlevoix Historical Society is presenting a working model train exhibit at the historic train depot Friday through Sunday, July 31 - August 2 from 12 to 4 P.M. each day. Also on display will be models of the Pere Marquette and Chesapeake & Ohio trains

that used to come through Charlevoix, historic railroad photos and posters, a newly restored ticket master's office, plus other railroad memorabilia. Depot mugs, the "Resort Special" train Christmas bulb for 2009, a new 32-pp. history of the railroad in Charlevoix

and other items will be offered for sale.

Free admission, donations appreciated. The Depot is located at Depot Beach on Lake Charlevoix at the far end of East Dixon Avenue on Charlevoix's north side. Call 547-0373 for more information.

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Artists flock to 51st waterfront art fair



BY ANNE KELLY
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Three of the dozens of artists to be featured at this year's Waterfront Art Fair in downtown Charlevoix have been profiled by art enthusiast Anne Kelly.

• John Schirmer has always had a love of wood carving.

As a young boy in Saginaw, he would go out into the woods with an ax in hand and find wood for his craft.

Later, he and his wife Ann and daughter Maria, resided in Cedar in Leelanau County where he hand-carved wooden signs for villages, businesses and private residences as well as for the furniture industry.

He has been carving for 35 years and presently lives in Iowa. For the last 15 years Schirmer has been producing wood cut prints and has carved sculpture that has ended up in five foreign countries as well as all over the United States. He also has designed a line of ceramic jewelry which was later expanded to include limited edition sculpture.

"My newest work is a few 'one-of-a-kind' woodcut prints," Schirmer said. "This is where I carve the block, and

from this block, I print only one print. I then frame them together, the print and the block it was printed from. I created this on a lark and all of a sudden it has become a popular presentation."

Schirmer uses birch plywood, wood carving tools and ink to create his prints.

His designs are transferred to a block of wood that he then carves. When the carving is complete, he pulls the print through a press and colors each print by hand.

This year he has added wood block prints of wild, jungle animals to his repertoire.

His love of nature is further revealed in his first children's book, "Have You Seen My Bird?"

Of course it is illustrated with his original prints. You may also see Schirmer each Christmas at The Candle Factory in Traverse City where he has been carving figures for a village scene incrementally for the past 20 years, part of a permanent display known as the Elferdick Project.

"I always enjoy returning to this beautiful area. We very much look forward to our visit," he said of participating in the

Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair where he will be displaying an interesting array of wood cuts on Aug. 8.

• Lynn Morris comes to Charlevoix from St. Louis, Mo.

This year she will be showing her cheerful ceramic pieces at the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair for her 11th year.

A studio art major from DePauw University in Indiana, with a master's of art from Penn State University, Morris says that she is always changing to keep her style fresh.

"I paint free hand using bright colors and whimsical subject matter. A low fire white clay and low fire under glaze gives me the quality of vibrant colors I want," she said.

This year she will be bringing "a winter's worth of work" and will have clay and wood plaques to add to her unique collection.

• Trish Morgan felt like it was a "dream come true," when she was accepted into the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair for the first time six years ago.

She is pleased to have been invited back to show ever since.

Morgan grew up and attended school in Charlevoix where she

displayed a definite talent in art. She went on to study at Kendall College of Art and Design in Grand Rapids majoring in illustration.

"The most important influence in my career was studying under my mentor Tony Van Hasselt, a nationally known water color artist out of Maine," she said.

Morgan was able to travel, paint and learn from Hasselt.

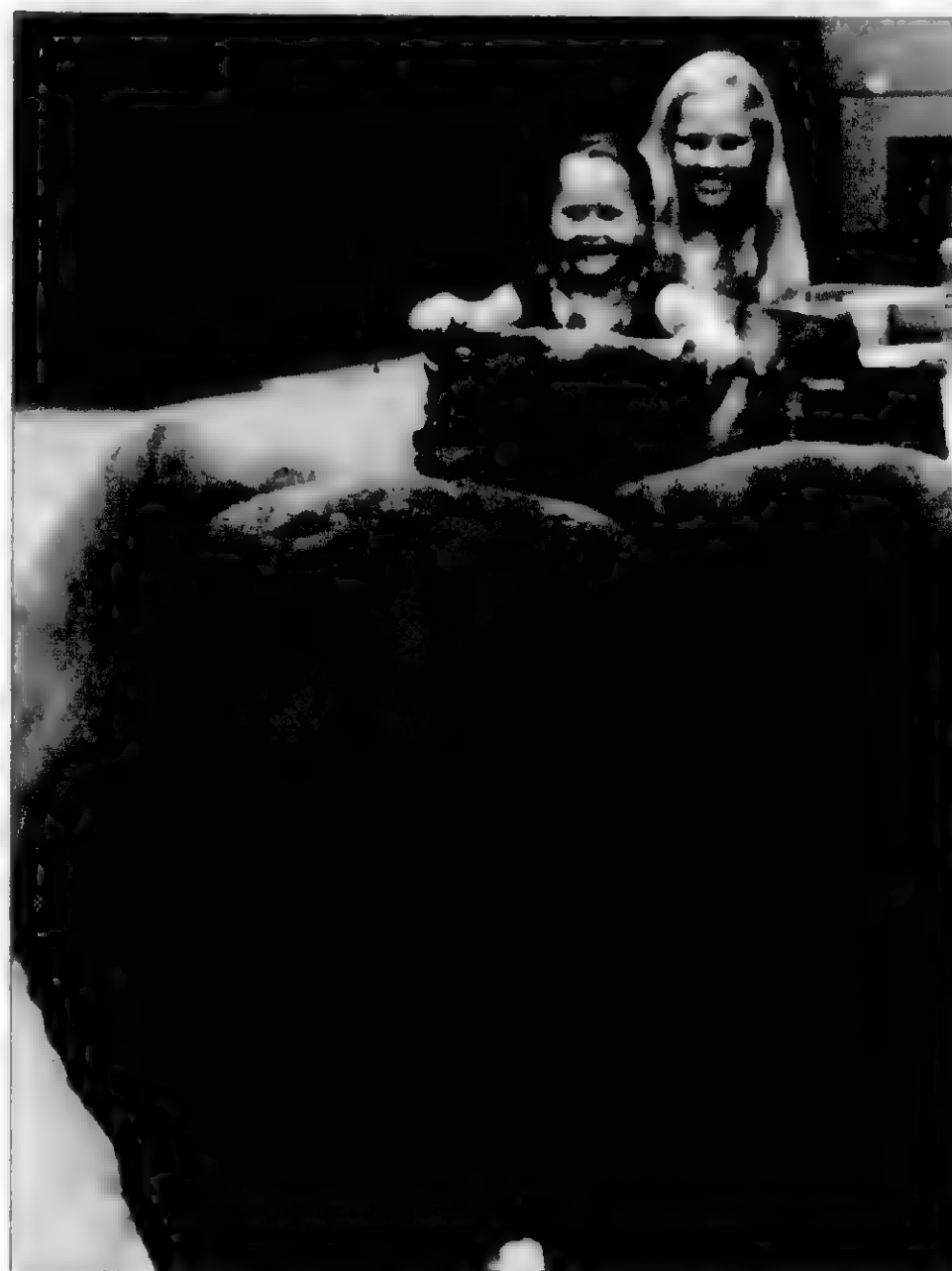
After a time of working in graphic art design, she discovered her media niche was in watercolors.

"My paintings depict architectural and landscape elements. I am primarily a studio artist and only paint outdoors, on location, three or four times a year," she explained. "I have had many requests for Charlevoix scenes so have made prints of some of the most popular. I am very excited about a full sheet (20" x 30") scene of Round Lake this year."

This juried art show and sale will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Charlevoix's East Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

Call 547-2675 for more information.

VENETIAN Kids day at Michigan Beach



JULIE WITTHOFT/NEWS-REVIEW

Avery Zipp, 6, and Hannah Zipp, 10, of Charlevoix sit back and relax on the back of Laura the elephant Thursday at Venetian Festival Kids Day at Lake Michigan Beach in Charlevoix. Venetian Festival events continued through the weekend with live entertainment and fireworks displays both Friday and Saturday and a street parade on Saturday. To watch a video from the Kids Day event, visit www.petoskeynews.com.



JULIE WITTHOFT/NEWS-REVIEW

Kaidence Marvin, 5, of Charlevoix, beams as she rides a spotted pony Thursday, July 23 at Venetian Festival Kid's Day staged at Lake Michigan Beach. Hundreds of kids packed the park to enjoy the festivities.

RIGHT: Eve Willoughby, 3, of Brutus smiles as she wins a prize in the Charlevoix Venetian Festival "Pick a Duck" game Thursday, July 23 at Kids Day at Lake Michigan Beach.

JULIE WITTHOFT/NEWS-REVIEW

BELOW: Shauna Bradley of Charlevoix dressed as "Cinderella" entertains the crowd Thursday at Venetian Festival Kids Day at Lake Michigan Beach in Charlevoix. Bradley and her fellow princesses are members of the Ragamuffin Theatre and Company. This performance was the group's debut of their latest original musical comedy, "So You Think You're A Princess." A follow-up will take place Aug. 13 at the Perry Hotel in Petoskey. To watch a video from the Kids Day event, visit www.petoskeynews.com.

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VENETIAN Rhythms in East Park



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The Northwest Academy Jazz Band opened the Thursday July 23 evening of music during the annual Rhythms of Venetian.



PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, COURIER
Detroit rockers Jill Jack played their own brand of folk rock during the Rhythms of Venetian on Sunday July 19 in East Park.

PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, COURIER
Hank Lawler of the Fabulous Horn Dogs gets things going Thursday night with a little sweet trombone music. A native of Leelanau County, Lawler has been playing the trombone for 51 years.



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Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels rocked the final set of the night on Thursday, July 23 during the Rhythms of Venetian.



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Gioriana sings in four-part harmony during their set of music on Wednesday's Rhythms of Venetian concert in East Park on this 79th Annual Venetian Festival.

VENETIAN Carnival of fun



PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, COURIER
Katherine Polakowski, 7, of Ypsilanti was in town visiting her grandparents when they decided to come down to the carnival at the 79th Annual Venetian Festival. Here Katherine gazes in amazement after riding the fastest portion of the Fun Slide.

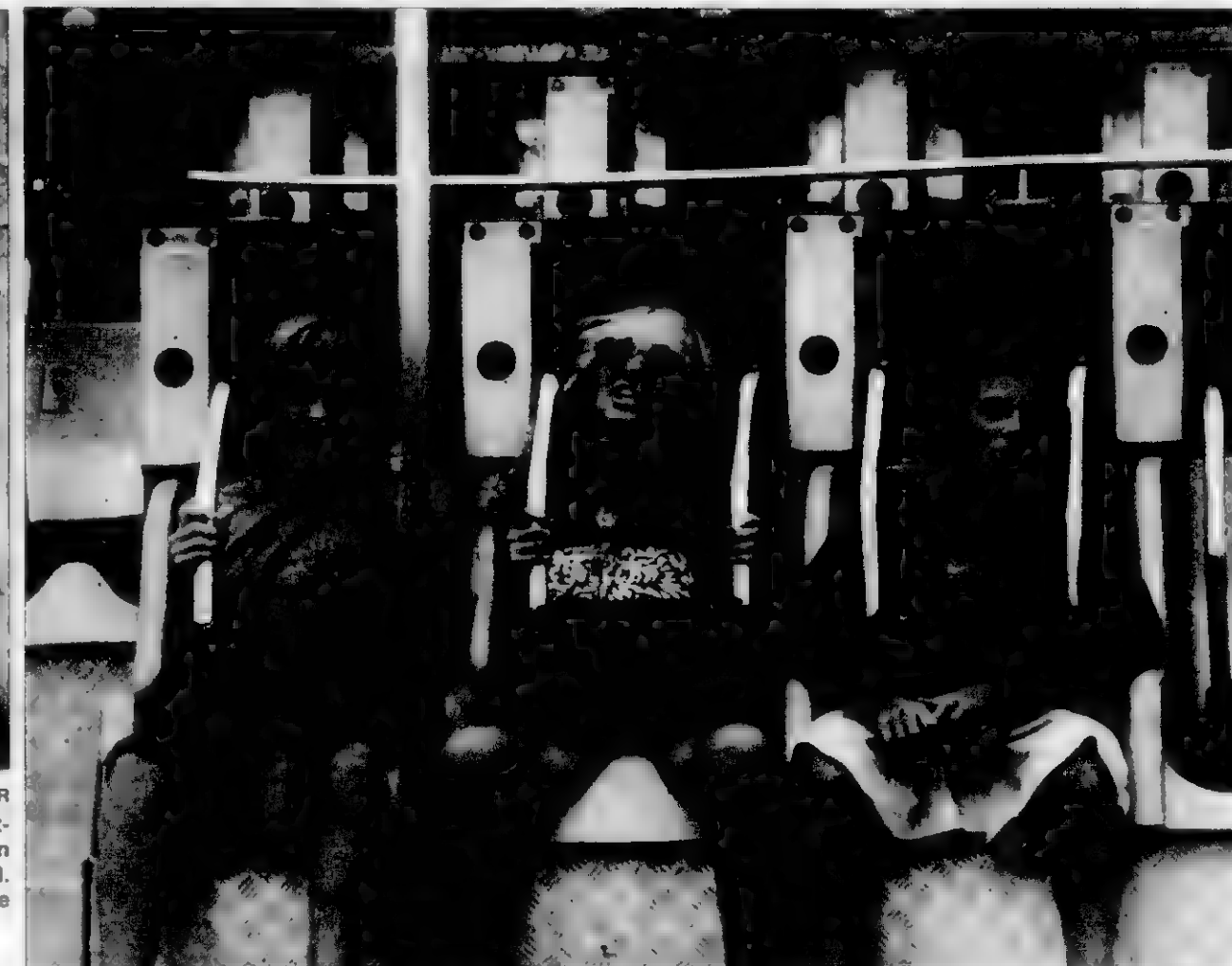


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Nancy O'Donnell rides the Super Trucks with 1-and-a-half-year-old Blake on her lap and 3-year-old William at the wheel.



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Jessica Kinner (right) and Samantha Morris ride the Crazy Dance at the Venetian 2009 carnival. The girls came up from East Jordan for a little summertime fun on July 22.

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Maddy Steenwyk of Ellsworth, Ashley McGlinch and her sister Carley McGlinch of Charlevoix, all 11 years old, are seen on the 1001 Nights ride in the carnival during the 79th Annual Venetian Festival.



VENETIAN highlights



Fireworks display over Charlevoix's Round Lake, Friday evening as part of the annual Venetian Festival. The fireworks, launched from Lake Charlevoix, were visible from numerous locations throughout the area.

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Charlevoix resident Bill Haggard cruises down Bridge Street with "Mr. Venetian," festival director, Dan Barron. Barron was selected to be the famed 79th annual Venetian Festival Street Parade grand marshal. There were 67 entries in the parade which took place Saturday and was attended by thousands.

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Charlevoix Venetian Festival queen Celina Wanek waves from the queen's float in the Venetian Festival Street Parade Saturday.

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The Venetian Festival Battle of the Bands winners are a group called "Three Cents Short." Pictured (from left) are Niko Cortes, 14; Brandon Proch, 17; and A.J. Schaik, 18.

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SPORTS reviewing the action



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Boyne's Fair Chiropractic team

Pictured are the Boyne City junior boys' baseball team (in no particular order) #1 - Jordan Fair, #2 - Colin Suddereth, #3 - Justin Konecki, #4 - Carl Rasch, #5 - Jeremy Kujawa, #7 - Andrew Campbell, #9 - Dominic Santana, #10 - Eric Wagoner, #12 - Marcus Matecki, #20 - Nick Hertz, #22 - Spencer Swanson and #23 - Adam Vondra.



COURTESY PHOTO

Boyne's Dairy Queen team

Here are the Boyne City Dairy Queen junior boys' baseball team (pictured in no particular order) #1 - Ethan Campbell, #2 - Cody Moore, #3 - Cotton Stradski, #4 - Jacob Goodwin, #5 - Andrew Stevens, #6 - Spencer Binkley, #7 - Alex Stutzman, #9 - Jacob Coates, #10 - Jared McBee, #11 - Chandler Roberts and #12 - Keenan Goodwin.

Venetian Festival Golf results

The Venetian Festival Golf Tournament Keith Carey Cup concluded on Friday July 24.

Chase Beatty defeated Scott Blechel 1-up to win the Men's Championship; Sam Washburn defeated Joe Battle 1-up to win the Men's Senior Division title; and Pat Duffy defeated Audrey Trimble 2 and 1 to win the Ladies Champion-

ship. In all there were a total of 34 participants in this year's event. Congratulations to all the winners.

Congratulations to Jan Gibbs of Charlevoix who had a hole in one at the Charlevoix Golf Club on Tuesday July 21, during Ladies League play. Biggs carded her ace on the 120 yard, par three, seventh hole.



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Megan Schotten in the orange Mighty Rams jersey (left) drives toward the Eagle goal protected by Sandy Watson during the Venetian Festival soccer tournament in the under 8 years old category on Tuesday, July 21.

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DATE	LOCATION	MEETING
July 13, 2009	Middle School	Organizational meeting/regular monthly meeting
August 10, 2009	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
September 14, 2009	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
October 12, 2009	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
November 9, 2009	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
December 14, 2009	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
January 11, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
February 8, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
March 8, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
April 12, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
May 10, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month
June 14, 2010	Middle School	Regular meeting second Monday of the month

SPORTS reviewing the action

Speed racers: Michigan's Ruff wins Shay Mile

This time around, he sealed the deal.

Rondell Ruff ran a personal best time of four minutes, one second to win the men's division at the second annual Ryan Shay Mile Saturday at the Charlevoix Venetian Festival.

Ruff, 26, was competing in his second Shay Mile and last year was the front-runner of the inaugural event. Ruff held the lead last year at the halfway point before Grant Robison surged for the victory.

Ruff, a 2006 University of Michigan graduate and Detroit native, earned \$1,000 for his victory as well as a \$250 share for leading at the halfway mark. Jordan Fife of Brooks/Indian Elite was second at 4:03, while Sean Tully, a Villanova University graduate, was third at 4:04.

Frances Koons, 23, of Allentown, Pa., won the women's race in 4:31.

Geena Gall, a recent U-M graduate and U.S. Olympic team hopeful, was second at 4:33, followed by Michigan State University grad Lisa Senakiewich who was third at

4:39

Senakiewich was the halfway leader.

Also on Saturday, the Jeff Drenth Memorial footrace was run in conjunction with the Shay Mile.

Jeff Polenes of Bloomington, Ind., won the overall 10K race in 32:25, while Kevin Yamell of Maumee, Ohio was the overall 5K race in 15:43.

Following are age group winners for both races:

10K

Overall female: Kar Johnson, Central Lake; Overall female masters: Jennifer Lewis, Bloomfield Hills; Overall male masters: John Brabbs, Rochester Hills; Female 13-under: Wimer Vinecki, Salem, Ore.; Male 13-under: Mark Smith, Petoskey; Female 14-16: Alexandra Trecha, East Lansing; Male 14-16: Tyler Westbrock, Tssaquah, Wa.; Female 17-19: Alina Dhaseler, Charlevoix; Male 17-19: Joel Wyszka, Churchville, Md.; Female 20-24: Leslie Kingsley, East Lansing; Male 20-24: Ben McMurray, Petoskey; Female 25-29:



PHOTO BY JULIE WITTHOFT, NEWS-REVIEW
Frances Koons crosses the finish line on Bridge Street Saturday in Charlevoix in the Ryan Shay Mile competition. Koons, 23, of Allentown, Pa. is one of 11 women who competed in the fast foot race. She finished the mile with a time of 4 minutes 31 seconds.

Julie Germond, Denver; Male 25-29: Jon Boss, Charlevoix; Female 30-34: Nicole Sterrett, Charlevoix; Male 30-34: Robert Harris, Charlevoix; Female 35-39: Sarah Coleman, Burnsville, N.M.; Male 35-39: Mark Snead, Chicago, Ill.; Female 40-44: Tina Wilder, Petoskey; Male 40-44: Steve Kirinovic, 40-44; Female 45-49: Laura Taylor, Charlevoix; Male 45-49: Norbert Scharenbroch, Charlevoix; Female 50-54: Grace Gilmore, South Haven; Male 50-54: Ken Ames, Gaylord; Female 55-59:

Overall female: Margot McGlothlin, Traverse City; Overall female masters: Laurie Decker, Cadillac; Overall male masters: John Goble, Harbor Springs; Female 13-under: Hannah Keyser, Traverse City; Male 13-under: Josh Wojan, Charlevoix; Female 14-16: Sara Barron,

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drea Osika, Waterford; Male 40-44: Richard Wandoff; Female 45-49: Williamston; Male 45-49: Dan Pater, Traverse City; Female 50-54: Kathy Patton, Central Lake; Male 50-54: Doug Koopman, Grand Rapids; Female 55-59: Suzanna Gordon, Madison Heights; Male 55-59: Gary Fox, Tecumseh; Female 60-64: Mary Ann Cox, Charlevoix; Male 60-64: Mary Studinger, Traverse City; Male 65-69: Jim Hart, Central Lake; Male 70-over: Jim Elzinga, Conway.

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Venetian Festival tennis tournament results

WINNERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Boys 12 to 15 singles - Adam Bean

Girls 16 to 18 singles - Andrea Meyering over Amy Pelon

Women's singles - Jillian Bean over Mary Van Wieren

Women's doubles - Laura Kemp and Wendy Reeve over Katie Beaudoin and Nicole Sterrett

Men's doubles - Frank Hagelshaw and Nick Kling over Stuart Goldblatt and Glenn Wachler

Senior men's singles - Nick Kling over Dennis Choate

Senior mixed doubles - Frank and Connie Hagelshaw over Roger Postmus and Karen Peters

Senior women's doubles - Mary Foster and Connie Grashorn over Connie Hagelshaw and Kris Churchfield

Senior men's doubles - Roger Postmus and Dick Henderschoot over Jim Grant and Bob Williams

Men's mixed doubles - rain delay
Men's singles - Joe Hoffman over Mitchell Montry



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Pictured are the Venetian Festival tennis tournament finalists for senior mixed doubles Roger Postmus and Karen Peters (left) and Connie and Frank Hagelshaw (right) the winners of the senior mixed doubles.



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Senior men's singles tennis finalist Dennis Choate (left) and the winner Nick Kling are pictured.

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Rondell Ruff, 26, of Detroit, a class of 2006 graduate of the University of Michigan, took the first place finish in the Ryan Shay Mile competition Saturday in downtown Charlevoix. He clocked his personal best, finishing the race in 4 minutes one second. This was his second try for the win in the Shay race. He was the frontrunner for the first half of the race in 2008. He plans to race in the upcoming Golden Mile in Traverse City.

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A good time was had by all

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on the law enforcement side," said Charlevoix City Police Chief Gerard Doan. "We had a lot of preplanning, like we always do. Plus, we get a lot of cooperation from the sheriff's (office) and fire department, which makes our job a lot easier."

While some mischief was still present, Doan said no serious crimes were committed during the week.

We had some alcohol related arrests and Thursday (July 23) we had a unique call where a gentleman having a diabetic episode was going left of center and back and forth in his lane."

Doan said a motorist in front of the driver recognized the man was in medical distress and slowed his car down in an attempt to get the sick man to stop.

"When he came to a stop he was completely left of center in the northbound lane and he was

traveling south," he said.

Doan said neither were there any major traffic issues.

"Friday night, to clear the park, it took approximately 10 minutes ... and it probably took about an hour to clear traffic out of town on Saturday," he said. "This is probably the smoothest Venetian I've seen in my history here—24 years."

Doan thanked the fire department and sheriff's office for all their help.

A random selection of downtown businesses revealed a better than average Venetian week.

"We were pretty much on target with a couple days down, but the weekend was up," said Raechel Wright, owner of the Alcove Cafe at 103 Park. "I think that was weather dependent. I'm a breakfast and lunch place (and) people tend to stay in when it's raining in the morning."

She added, "If it's raining, I have two-thirds as many seats because I have tables outside."

Though it has been difficult

due to the economy and the cooler, rainier weather, Wright said she has been pleasantly surprised with the business she has done so far this summer.

Sandie Root, owner of The Taffy Barrel at 211 Bridge St. also had a great week.

"We exceeded last year," she said. "The bad weather helps us—when it's rainy and cold, people shop."

The Clothing Company's Jacqueline Dipert said her sales during Venetian week were average.

"The weekend was very good," she said. "It was a little slow midweek for us, maybe due to erratic weather."

Gina Whitney, owner of Whitney's Oyster Bar at 307 Bridge St. said this was probably the most organized Venetian she has seen in 17 years.

"We probably had the best Venetian we've ever had," she said.

"Kudos to the Venetian committee for running a top-of-the-line festival and for the amazing job the fire department, police and

city did."

Whitney added, "And, everything was cleaned up Sunday morning. The whole city should get kudos."

Lauren Brumley, the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce communication manager and executive director of the Charlevoix Convention and Visitors Bureau, said local motels and hotels also had a good week.

"Lodging was as expected: Packed and good to go," she said.

Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority executive director Keith Carey said he was especially pleased with one of the new events.

"Venetian Vision Monday (July 20) was a great way to kick off the Venetian Festival week," he said.

Venetian Vision consisted of the screening of a publicly selected movie, Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark, which played on the big screen

in the Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix's East Park.

"If we based the decision simply on feedback we receive, I think we would definitely bring it back," he said. "But, that will be something we need to discuss."

Carey said the thing that struck him most was the sheer variety of events and the incredible amount of work behind the scenes to make it all happen.

"I walked down to the stage on the Wednesday night with Switchback, Gloriana, Darryl Worley and looked out over the park. There were people as far as I could see—it was just fantastic," he said. "I think that is a testament to Dan Barron and his board. They continue to make that festival even better. They freshen it every year so the music never becomes stale and the activities never become stale."

Ken Doty benefit dinner

A fundraiser to help support Ken Doty and his family will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29 in East Jordan's Tourist Park.

Hamburgers, hot-dogs, salad, chips, dessert and drinks are on the menu.

Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 5 to 12 and \$20 for the whole family.

Ken has stage-4 cancer and is facing a recurrence for the fourth time.

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Free lunch

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Chapter 72 is sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilemski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion.

All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNJ

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNJ meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

CANCER FUNDRAISER

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Museum hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

- Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
- Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109

Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

CURRENTLY

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant display. Plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business. Displays will be judged during Venetian and awards given on July 24. Call Kirsten Berwick at 547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 547-4887.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 4

Art on display
New Works by artist Jerry Power at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South. Call 547-2333 or go to www.cycling-salamander.com.

JULY 23 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visas and Visions."

Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create
July 30 - Threx Beach Rd./Antrim Natural Area, Public Beach, and Nature Preserve, 31 To Atwood past Royal Farms.

Aug. 6 - Vistas of Lake Bellaire West on Cayuga St. to Bellaire Highway

Aug. 13 - Fred Vermeersch' Orchard View, 1344 Vermeersch Rd., Central Lake

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordan-riverarts.com

JULY 29

Young Life

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 29 at the Lake Michigan Pavilion there will be a meeting of Young Life, a worldwide, non-denominational Christian organization, impacting kids' lives for over 70 years. For more information

please contact Chip Sauer at (231) 330-5331, Robin McCarty (231) 526-7375 or Greg McDonald at (231) 526-6711 or go to www.younglife.org.

JULY 31, AUG. 1 AND AUG. 2

Model train exhibit
For three days, the interior of the train station will be transformed into a working model train exhibit assembled from the collections of several local train enthusiasts. Models of the Chesapeake & Ohio and Pere Marquette trains that used to come through Charlevoix will be displayed. Other trains will be up and running, each with its own unique layout. The event runs from noon to 4 p.m. each day.

This will also be a good chance to see the completion of the first and most important phase of the restoration of the ticket master's office complete with restored black potbelly stove, roll top desk, the old service window and mail slots from the Ironton Post Office, postal memorabilia, freight scales, and other artifacts from the railroad era.

Russ Bolt's Depot mugs and the 2009 "Resort special Train at the Depot" Christmas bulb will be on sale.

Historic photos will be on display.

JULY 31 THROUGH AND AUG. 15

Book signings

- noon to 2 p.m. - July 31 meet author, Kristina Riggie and have her sign your copy of the new Charlevoix novel, Real Life and Lairs.
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the photographer, Michael Barton, author of The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix.

- 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the author, Marcy Fisher, and have her sign your copy of Fried Magic Marcy will be a guest speaker at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.

Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699

AUG. 1

CHS 74 reunion

The Charlevoix High School Class of 1974 is having a Casual Class Reunion on at 6 p.m. on Aug. 1, at the Charlevoix Estates Clubhouse. Contact anyone that may be interested. It is a bring your own everything event. Contact Debbie at deh20@hotmail.com or 547-3956.

AUG. 3

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them. Booktalkers meet at

6 p.m., twice per quarter in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

On Aug. 3, Booktalkers meet again to discuss the classic Pride and Prejudice, by Jane Austen. Call 237-7340 for more information.

East Jordan area events

Aug. 4 - Deadline for entry in Friends of the Jordan Annual Photography Contest. Go to www.friendsofthejordan.org or call

(231) 631-8856.

Aug. 7 - Friday Moonlit River trip. Bring your kayaks or canoes and meet at 8:30 PM at the Rogers Road access. Potluck to follow at the Jordan River Watershed Center. Bring your own and a dish to pass.

Aug. 15 - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Morning Nature Hike: Bennett Creek Preserve on M-66 just N. of Kidder Road.

Aug. 22 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday pig roast Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser. Cedar Bend



COURTESY PHOTO

Silent auction

Lorene Sakamoto (left) Chairperson of this year's Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild's Silent Auction, and Donna Looze, Director of Hospital Volunteers, are pictured looking over a few donated items in this year's event, which will be held in the Solarium at the hospital from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6. Among many available items, the public will find a baby crib and quilt, a comforter with matching draperies, a breadmaker, featured handmade table linens and bags made by the guild members, purses, jewelry and more. An American flag has been donated by Michigan State Senator Jason Allen, which has actually flown over the capitol building in Lansing. The money raised will go to finish paying for the neo-natal apnea unit and get the group started on funding patient blanket warmers.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Farms 1021 Doerr Road, Mancelona, MI 49659. Call (231) 587-8126. Food, music, silent auction for all ages. Adults \$15, kids 3 to 10 \$7.50, Under 3 free. Call 536-4977 to purchase advance tickets.

Aug. 24 - 6 p.m. Monday, spaghetti dinner at Caruso's Family Dining, U.S. 131 Alba. \$6 per person. Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser

AUG. 7

Polish Festival

Three on three shootout games will be held during the Polish Festival at Boyne Falls School on M75-South.

Early registration by July 29 with an entry fee of \$60

Late registration entry fee is \$75 from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Check in time is 8:30 if you pre-registered—8:50 for late registration.

Bracketing and rules meeting is from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Games begin at 9 a.m.
Visit www.boynefalls.org or call (231) 549-2211 extension 114 or 582-1092 or e-mail theyer@boynefalls.org to register and for more information.

AUG. 8

Psychology on Canvas in Color—Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to

6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

AUG. 13

Musical/comedy luncheon
The Ragamuffin Theatre & Company presents "So You Think You're A Princess?" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Perry hotel on Aug. 13. Cost is \$27 for adults and \$22 for children for this musical comedy luncheon.

AUG. 15

Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in classroom A.

The next one is scheduled for Wednesday Aug. 5.

Health Screens include: cholesterol (total cholesterol, HDL, the healthy cholesterol which protects the heart, and a ratio, which ideally should be under 4.5 to help prevent stroke and heart attack), blood sugar level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a blood pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all

of the test results (including the blood results) at the time of the screen.

Blood will be obtained by a Registered Nurse by a painless finger-stick method with no fasting required. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome.
The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes and could end up saving your life.

Post honored

Charlevoix's Post Laureate Rosalyn Goldstick will be saluted on the occasion of her 90th birthday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15 at the Charlevoix Senior Center located at 06906 Norwood Road near the west end of Carpenter Street.

Light refreshments will be served. No gifts, please, but cards are welcome. Donations in Rosalyn's name can be made to either the Senior Center or to Temple B'Nai Israel, 420 Waukazon Ave., Petoskey, MI 49770. Call 547-0749 for questions or information.

AUG. 29

ORV training

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider offers an ORV training class for those citizens who need to comply with the new Michigan State law and Charlevoix County ordinance on ORV operation on our county road system. Training will take place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office training room.

Registration required at www.charlevoixcounty.org and go to the "Sheriff's" link to fill out the application and forward the typewritten application to the Sheriff's Office, 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, with attention Deputy Genna Gauthier. You may also e-mail your application to gauthier@charlevoixcounty.org. Call 547-4461 for more.

Picture ID is required by all students.

SEPT. 18 THROUGH 20

Local cancer battle

The fifth annual Trailing for Triumph for the benefit of Breast Cancer Research at Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

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For more information, go to www.trailingfortriumph.org or contact Lisa McFarlan at (231) 582-6165.

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The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the

Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

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At CMS Land, we are proud of the work that has been done at East Park and all along the shoreline near the Bay Harbor community. The solutions installed at East Park have worked well and environmental results have been impressive. Monitoring of the lake shows that the safeguards are working. And, in June, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan opened all access to the lake at the park.

Now, we turn the page.

Soon, CMS Land will deliver to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information collected from our monitoring wells at East Park to help establish standards for mercury as the project moves toward completion. Positive results from this monitoring should lead to having long-term oversight of the project moved from the federal government to state officials here in Michigan. In addition, CMS continues its work to find a safe and cost-effective local option to dispose of the water collected at East Park and at locations in the Bay Harbor community, including using proven methods to safely release the water to the lake.

These will all be exciting milestones in the life of this project, one that began with an abandoned cement factory and just recently celebrated the reopening of a world-class public park.

I would like to thank all those who helped make the opening of East Park a great success. We will build on that success as we move into the final stages of this environmental effort.

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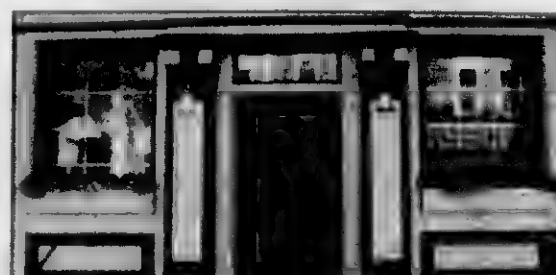
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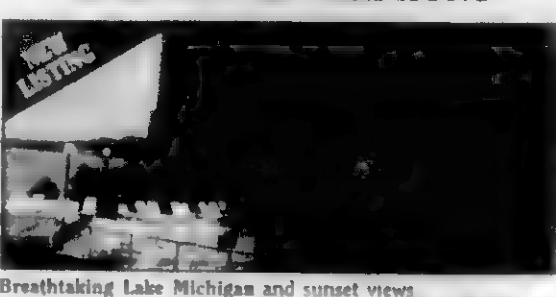
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Charlevoix's 'Grand Dame' leaves legacy of tenacity and generosity

BY CHRISTINA ROHN
NEWS-REVIEW

Those who knew Edith Gilbert called her extraordinary — those who loved her called her an inspiration.

"It occurs to me that she was part Julia Child, part Perle Mesta and part Emily Post — all together, an original," said Suzy Farbman, author, journalist, and long-time friend of Gilbert's. "There are many of us who considered her a real anchor in our lives, and we'll miss her greatly."

Gilbert, a long-time resident of Charlevoix, and

world-renowned author, wedding consultant and etiquette legend, died Friday morning at Charlevoix Hospital at the age of 91.

Gilbert's nephew, Larry Smith, said his aunt suffered a heart attack just two days before, but didn't let that slow her down.

"She was alert, awake and active through the whole thing," he said. "Her last official act was to have cinnamon buns sent to a friend."

Family and friends say this was just like Gilbert to be caring, compassionate and giving until the very end. Often called the "Grand

Dame" of Charlevoix, Gilbert was the epitome of class, throwing numerous galas and celebrations for family, friends and acquaintances.

She was also a philanthropist.

In the early '60s she became an original member of the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library, and worked to establish the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair. She was also a board member for the Charlevoix Historical Society, volunteer for the Charlevoix Area Hospital and responsible for the current railings on the

drawbridge in downtown Charlevoix.

In the '70s, she became a founding member of the Crooked Tree Arts Center, where in 2002, she was honored by having a gallery named after her.

Liz Ahrens, executive director for the Crooked Tree Arts Center, described Gilbert as a force.

"Wherever she was in a crowd, she'd have a great sparkle in her eye and a giggle that was tremendous," she said.

Ahrens said Gilbert was a great supporter of the arts wherever she went.

"Edith was a crucial part of the arts center all the way along ... if she was on your side, you could never think of a better ally," she said. "She was a constant cheerleader, mentor and coach."

For Ken Winter, former editor of the Petoskey News-Review and his wife Ginger — Gilbert was their matchmaker.

Ken said Gilbert was not subtle when she wanted to introduce people.

"One day she came into the News-Review and barricaded the door, and said 'Have you called (Ginger) yet?' and I said, 'No,' then she said,

"You'd better call her right now." ... he said, laughing as he recalled the incident.

Winter did make the call, and eventually, when he and Ginger married, Gilbert served as the couple's matron of honor.

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Edith Gilbert

Rayder board member resigns

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Citing "personal reasons," Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education secretary/treasurer Judith Ivan resigned recently.

Ivan had recently been criticized in a letter for comments she made at the July 13 board meeting.

"Maybe she thought about how she responded that day," said Jan Herring, author of the letter and wife of Michigan Edu-

cation Association Unserv Director Chuck Herring of Alpena. "It was far too emotional—they need to be open-minded so they can be fair in making decisions."

Ivan, who officially resigned on July 21, could not be reached for comment.

In her letter, sent to both the school board and Charlevoix Courier, Herring stated Ivan said something during the meeting which left her "utterly shocked and appalled."

"Mrs. Ivan was obviously extremely upset by the contract negotiation issues," Herring stated. "She mentioned that she knew of two professionals who had recently lost their jobs and that the school staff should be grateful just to be employed. Should

the unfortunate loss of two jobs be paid for by an educational staff?"

Herring further stated, "The teachers had, in effect, handed the board some additional funding which was totally ignored by Mrs. Ivan. Secondly, the emotion with which Judith Ivan delivered her comments, with noticeable reddening of the face and palpable vocal irritation, was topped off by what looked very much like tears in her eyes. It was as if Judith Ivan somehow had a personal stake in the issues, which left me confused and wondering if a member who is so emotionally caught up in these issues can be a fair and impartial decision

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Portside Arts Fair

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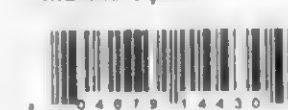
Jean Roser of Glen Ellen, Ill., was in the Charlevoix area on vacation when she decided to stop into the Portside Arts Fair on Sunday Aug. 2. Featured artists from as far away as Florida, Indiana and Oklahoma displayed artwork from sculpture and pottery to paintings and photography.

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BIRTHS

Hunter Eugene Eaton weighing 7 pounds was born July 25, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Brad and Kristin Eaton of Ellsworth. His sibling is Karlee Ann. His grandparents are Steve and Cathy Czerkes of Boyne City and William and Jeanne Eaton of Charlevoix. His great-grandparents are Teresa Czerkes of Boyne Falls and Maxine Bergmann of Charlevoix.

James Peter Maher weighing 9 pounds, 13 ounces was born July 28, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to James and Jenny Maher of New Zealand and East Jordan. His sibling is Olivia Joy Maher. His grandparents are Bill Murray and Joy Murray both from East Jordan, James Maher and Sandie Maher both from New Zealand. His great-grandparents are Harold and Oveida Goebel and Alice Murray, all from East Jordan.

Steven Allen Marr, Jr. weighing 7 pounds was born July 31, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Lisa and Steven Marr from Alba. His siblings are Gabriel and Logan. His grandparents are Connie Saganek and Rick Saganek both from Alba and James Burkhead and the late Leitha Burkhead of Plainwell.

Hayden Orion Thayer weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces was born July 23 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jerry and Angela Thayer of East Jordan. His grandparents are Rhonda and Dan O'Connell of Central Lake, Robert and Jan Massey of Bellaire, Mel and Doris Thayer of Charlevoix and Cheryl and Chuck Myers of Traverse City.

BOAT FIRE

At 12:13 a.m. on Wednesday, July 29, 2009 the Charlevoix Fire Department responded to a boat fire next door to 9261 Birch Terrace Drive in Evelyn Township, Ironton. Upon arrival, firefighters found a 23 foot Boston Whaler on fire at 9231 Birch Terrace Drive. No one was on the vessel, and firefighters were able to extinguish the fire without accident. No one was injured as a result of this event. The vessel was registered to Page Toyota in Birmingham.

The Fire Department was assisted by the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department and equipment and personnel from Bergmann Marine.

The U.S. Coast Guard also responded to this incident. The cause of the fire was accidental, and firefighters were on scene for about 1 hour.

PERSONAL INJURY

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider advises deputies were called to a personal injury accident involving a motorcycle.

Around 8:20 p.m. on Thursday, July 30 deputies along with Boyne City EMS were called to the area of Crozier Road and Boyne City/East Jordan Road for a two vehicle accident involving a pickup truck and a motorcycle.

Wesley Roberge, 17 year old of Boyne City, was traveling east on Crozier Rd. near Boyne City/East Jordan Rd. in his 2000 Toyota Tundra pickup when he crossed the center line and struck Norm Vogt, 58 year old of East Jordan, throwing Vogt from his motorcycle.

Vogt was transported to Northern Michigan Regional Hospital where he was treated for what are believed to be minor injuries. Roberge was found to be at fault in the accident and cited. Speed and wet roads are believed to be factors in the accident.

PERSONAL INJURY

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider reports that at approximately 12:40 a.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2009, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's



Pool auction

COURTESY PHOTO

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's 20th Annual dinner/auction coordinator Clay Walker (left) pictured here with Joyce Herbert display several of the works of art which will be available for bid at this year's auction. The event will be held at 5:30, Sunday Aug. 9 at Castle Farms of Charlevoix. Tickets are available at Picture This (formerly Charlevoix Camera), or by calling Walker at 547-1222. This year's theme is the roaring '20s. Tickets are \$50 per person.

Office responded to a Personal Injury Accident that occurred on M-66 just south of Ferry Road in Ironton.

Andrew Thomas Light, 27 from Essexville, Michigan, was traveling northbound

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on M-66, driving a 2002 Harley Davidson Motorcycle when he lost control of the motorcycle and struck the guardrail. The passenger was Stephanie Page Rossman, 25 of Fremont. Both individuals were transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital for treatment by the City of Charlevoix EMS. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in this crash.

UNATTENDED SAILBOAT

At approximately 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 25, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a call of a sailboat under sail with nobody on board near Horton Bay on Lake Charlevoix. When officers

arrived witnesses stated that they had seen a male subject on board the vessel about 30 minutes prior in the middle of the lake. The operator, Bernard Gallin, 80, of Lansing and Boyne City had fallen overboard while trying to keep the sailboat from capsizing in the wind. Search crews from the Sheriff's Office and United States Coast Guard were called to search the area from Hemingway Point to Horton Bay. A passing boater in the area heard the Mr. Gallin calling for help and was able to rescue him from the water. Mr. Gallin was wearing a lifejacket and had been in the water for approximately 30 to 45 minutes. He refused medical treatment at the scene and was taken home by marine deputies.

WATERCRAFT ACCIDENT

Sheriff W. D. (Don) Schneider advises the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Marine Division was dispatched to a watercraft accident with minor injuries on Lake Charlevoix near Ferry Beach in Charlevoix Township at approximately 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 25, 2009.

Don Bretz 31 of Mason, Mich., was underway on a personal watercraft, jet ski, when he struck a wave resulting in falling overboard.

The accident caused minor injuries to Bretz' knee requiring medical attention at Charlevoix Area Hospital. The operator was the only person on board. He was released from the hospital the day of the accident.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Jennifer Catherine Todd, 36, Waterford. Disorderly/obscene conduct. Pay \$350 in fines and costs.

John Simonchristophe Rensten, 42, address unknown. Larceny less than \$200. Pay \$400 in fines and costs.

Kara Marie Hoffman, 18, Charlevoix. Disturbing the peace. Credit for three days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Jordan C. Brady, 26, Perrysburg, Ohio. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 15 days in jail; serve 15 days of

community service work; to serve one year on probation; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; submit to PBT/urine test; \$980 in fines and costs.

Harry Kevin Stock, 39, Petoskey. Disorderly person/drunk. Credit for three days in jail; to serve 87 days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Brian Thomas Kuhs, 31, Boyne City. No operator license on person; funds insufficient for check written over \$100, but less than \$500. Pay \$760 in fines and costs or serve 20 in jail.

Trevor James Blackwell, 17, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 60 hours of community service work; to attend Zero Tolerance and Bases; \$250

in fines and costs.

Erin Lynn Weatherwax, 19, Boyne Falls. Minor in possession of alcohol; domestic violence. Credit for one day in jail; to serve seven days in jail; 70 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve 12 months on probation; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; submit to PBT/urine test; \$800 in fines and costs

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Boyne area neighbors



NORTHERN NEIGHBORS

Nancy Northup

The Friday night Stroll the Streets event was just perfect. With a glorious sunset, just right breezes and the blending music, it would have been hard to choose one music soloist or group as the best. The atmosphere of friendship and well being of the many strollers will create lasting fond memories of our little town. Acclades to the combined efforts of the chamber and the main street program, as well as the entertainers, for providing such happy treats on the streets!

Piper DeFrancisco of Winter Park, Fla. and the three year old daughter of Joey and Katy (Charvat) DeFrancisco, was honored at the Boyne City home of her grandparents, Bill and Jane Charvat, with a family and friends birthday party. On Sunday, July 12. As pink is her favorite color, pink it was, with Hanna Montana napkins

and party favors and her biggest gift, a pink two-wheeler, with training wheels, and helmet. Brother Joe helped her unwrap the gifts and cards from Mom and Dad. Nana and Papa Charvat, Grandpa and Grandma Joey and Bernadette DeFrancisco of Lake Mary, Fla., neighbors George and Melissa Lasater and son Luke, and cousin, Nancy. So the two boys wouldn't feel left out, Bill had prepared goodie gift bags for them too. All enjoyed an outdoor sandwich and salad picnic, topped off with the birthday song, ice cream and cake. The kids also had enjoyed whacking a piñata hanging in a tree in the back of the yard. It was a good day for the captivating blond blue eyed Piper for sure.

The Oral Sutliff's spent Monday in St. Ignace at the KOA Campground visiting their Canadian cousins, Pete and Georgina Sutliff, whom they had not seen in 10 years. It was a wonderful day with lots of sunshine.

The Oral Sutliff's were also down state at Birch Run this past weekend to help some friends celebrate with Florence Rider, on her 80th birthday and her daughter, Marianne and Jeff from Oklahoma, who were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary also. A

huge outdoor party and lots of food and entertainment.

The weather could have been better, though it was nice to see so many friends they had traveled with on tour bus trips in the past.

A warm "Welcome" goes out to the new team of cooks at the Boyne Area Senior Center.

A few weeks into the job, Ann, Sally, Sandy and Sue have been keeping good meals going since former cook; Andy Colyer began his own catering service.

Many are happy to see that the Lucky Guppy Pet Store is back in East Jordan. (231) 222-2120 John O'Hallaran Jr. (son of the first owner) is the new owner.

Remie Zucchiatti of Casco spent a week in Boyne with her grandparent Vasco and Joni.

While here she spent a day at Avalanche Bay with her cousin Kelsi Churchhill. Remie also attended the Pooch Fest held by the Charlevoix County Humane Society and spent a chilly afternoon at the carnival with her friend Mattie Langley.

Enjoy an Ice Cream Social at the Boyne Area Senior Center on Sunday, Aug. 9. Enjoy music and fun from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Jordan Valley Duo +1 will be providing music.

The Wii games will be ready for everyone to have fun.

During the afternoon the BASC Steppers will also show their moves.

Join us for ice cream, Grandma's Homemade Cookies and fun.

A warm, "Welcome Neighbor" goes out to Carolyn Roberts, who moved from Litzinger Place to Deer Meadows this past week.

"Welcome to our community" Pastor Jason Reynolds and family who were to arrive on July 29, from the Toledo Ohio area. Pastor Jason will be moving into the Free Methodist Church parsonage and begin his ministry here. After many years here in Boyne, a fond farewell goes out to Pastor Mark and Cindy Bullock and son Cody, who have moved to the American Legion honoring him with a flag presentation and a 21-gun salute and Taps, followed by a luncheon at their hall on Lake Street.

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WEEKLY POLL

How well does the state serve small business owners?

Well (0 Votes, 0%)

Adequately (6 Votes, 9%)

Poorly (58 Votes, 91%)

This week's poll question:
Should homeowners have a say in whether their house is designated a historic property?

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Richard of Florida. David of Col., Chris of Ann Arbor, and their spouses.

Also there was his sister, Myrtle Wasylewski, and others of Florida, Mancelona, Holland, Mt. Morris, Boyne Falls, Central Lake, and former co-workers and friends from the area. Interment was in Maple Lawn Cemetery, with the American Legion honoring him with a flag presentation and a 21-gun salute and Taps, followed by a luncheon at their hall on Lake Street.

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East Jordan spent the week end of the 25 and 26 of July at their brother/sons house in Maybee, Mich. to celebrate all the good things that have happened recently in the family. We have Scott Miller who received his Masters summa cum laude in Sports Medicine. Bob Miller, Jr. who was just recently promoted to Operations Supervisor of The Monroe Water Dept and BJ's wife Holly gave birth to a baby girl Isabel Renee.

What a happy and thankful time was had by all.

Items of interest for Nancy's column may be called into Nancy's home phone at (231) 582-9174 or send e-mail to neighbors@gilakes.com before her every other Wednesday deadline for the Courier and Petoskey News-Review.

EDITORIAL

We're sold ... on the guild auction

Where else can you get a deal on some fine home furnishings while supporting a really good cause?

Why, it's the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild's annual silent auction.

This is the third year of the annual event which helps the guild purchase much-needed equipment for the Charlevoix

Area Hospital as well as fund numerous yearly scholarships for those in or planning to enter the medical field.

And, don't let the title of "silent auction" scare you—there are items for as little as \$1.

Our thanks go out to all those who have worked to make this event a success year after year.

We would like to specially

thank Lorene Sakamoto, who is the auction's chairperson and Donna Looze, the lady in charge of hospital volunteers for their tireless effort.

This year the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild's silent auction proceeds are helping fund purchase of a blanket warmer for the medical-surgical ward and neo-natal apnea

unit.

And, let's not forget the guild gave out \$10,000 in scholarships last year.

Who doesn't love the feel of a warm blanket, especially when you're not feeling well?

The blanket warmer will offer patients that little extra comfort during what can be a difficult time.

The neo-natal apnea unit is used to monitor newborn and premature babies for sleeping disorders which can sometimes be deadly.

Some of the items up on this year's bidding block include jewelry, bedding, a baby crib, furniture, kitchen items, a full living room set and more.

The event is from 10 a.m.

to 3 p.m. on Thursday Aug. 6 in the solarium at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Call Looze at 547-8651 for more information.

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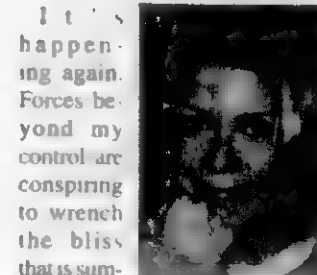
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MORE ON LIFE

Christine Gwidt

childhood are indelibly marked on my psyche. They are me and I am them and they are driving me crazy. It began innocently enough. The first group to land on my doorstep in late May garnered my heartfelt enthusiasm and hospitality. The guest rooms were festooned with fresh spring flowers and I placed little baskets with northern Michigan-themed snacks and chocolates on the dressers.

There were handmade soaps, scented candles and fluffy, fresh towels. Two full days of scrubbing, polishing and spit shining rendered my house white-glove ready.

I was more than happy to put my life on hold for that week while we careened between points of interest.

I reveled in preparing exotic meals replete with all of the five major food groups.

We stayed up until a ridiculous hour every night, laughing

and reminiscing. When I finally waved goodbye to them from the front porch, both my body and my bank account needed a transfusion.

Round two began three weeks later. This time I swore that I would avoid the kitchen slavery, and I spent the week prior making and freezing pizza and sweet rolls.

The candles were a bit sooty and gutted, but serviceable. The snack baskets rattled with the remnants rejected by the previous hosts.

There were fresh flowers, but this time they were daisies and field grass. I made it a point to get to bed at a reasonable hour, knowing that I would need to be rested and semi-perky in order to survive. I revisited the points of interest in a somnambulist daze usually reserved for "Seinfeld" reruns.

This time I murmured hal-

lelujah as the dust settled behind their departing car.

The newest influx was heralded by a startling e-mail titled "Northern Michigan here we come!" With icy fingers, I opened the missive and a little thrill of adrenaline triggered a mild fight or flight response.

Over the next few days I segued through the five stages of grief: denial; anger; bargaining; depression; and, finally, acceptance. I cast a baleful eye over my sanctuary and decided that vacuuming would suffice. I bought a loaf of bread and packages of cheese and lunch meat and called it good. I washed the sheets and towels, folded and stacked them on the beds.

I am now four days into Round Three. I have eaten my weight in baked goods and I am loquacious with carbohydrates and sleep deprivation.

A virulent skin condition prevents my cousin from partaking in prolonged exposure to the

sun, so beach activities are not an option.

I am vaguely uneasy in the belief that this visit is perhaps not all that they had hoped it would be.

November is arguably the least seductive month. Swaying in the frigid wind, skeletal trees rake the bleak white sky.

Stripped of the siren's call

of summer, and not yet replete with the bucolic blanket of snow that lures the winter sports enthusiast, November has always seemed like such a lonely month.

Ah, November... How I long for thee.

Contact Christine Gwidt by e-mail at moreforlesschristine@gmail.com.

PUBLIC LAND AUCTION - NO RESERVE

The following County Treasurers will be offering tax reverted real estate at public auction on September 11, 2009: Alcona, Alpena, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Otsego, and Presque Isle.

The Auction will be held at Cheboygan County Courthouse, 870 South Main Street, Cheboygan, MI.

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SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Enduring Arts, a foundation created in support of school art programs, presents a singular dining experience from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 15 at Esperance Market and Cafe.

Proceeds from the event will benefit all children in the Charlevoix Community

Schools by preserving and funding art programs and related projects.

"The only thing that prevents people from living a less than wonderful life is a lack of education," said Pram Acharya. "We've seen funding disintegrate for all school programs, and especially for the arts."

Acharya and his wife, Suzanne, are the owners of Esper-

ance, who will host the gourmet picnic under a tent outside the restaurant at 12853 US 31 North in Charlevoix.

According to Acharya, the Charlevoix Council for the Arts has helped to shape Enduring Arts for the past four years, with structuring and funding for school art programs.

Teachers and other volunteers donate their time and ef-

fort in organizing and staffing the preparation and the picnic. "The arts are an essential part of life," Acharya said. "Enduring Arts has been able to supply digital photo equipment for the classrooms and this summer we sent two students to Blue Lake Arts Academy."

In addition to Esperance, other area merchants and food crafters are contributing their specialties for the event.

Oleson's will supply their cherry brats and Lee Lutes of Black Star Farms Winery in Suttons Bay will participate, along with Larry Mawby, also of Suttons Bay, who makes sparkling wine.

"We hold the fundraiser on the Saturday after the Charlevoix (Waterfront) Art Fair," said Acharya, explaining

that tickets for the event are offered to some of the artists in the hope that they will stay and donate a piece of their work.

Due to limited space, reservations are being taken and the minimum ticket price is \$35, although larger donations are welcome.

To secure a reservation, or for additional information, call Esperance at (231) 237-9300.

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Michael Kochanny,
Kimberly Phillips

Central Michigan University

Joseph Sievertson, son of Maureen and the late Roger Sievertson, has recently been named to the dean's list for the 2009 Spring Semester at Central Michigan University. Students must achieve a semester academic grade point average of 3.50 to 3.99 for inclusion on this list. Joe is a senior at Central Michigan University with a major in Political Science-Public Administration and a minor in History.

University of Wisconsin
Denise Barta of Charlevoix received her degree of bachelor of arts in political science from the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh during the school's 135th spring commencement this May.

Kimberly Phillips of Harbor Springs and Michael Kochanny of Charlevoix are announcing their engagement to be married on Dec. 12, 2009.

Their parents are Tim and Karen Kochanny of Charlevoix, John and Debra Phillips of Harbor Springs and Sandra and Bryan Burley of Harbor Springs.

The wedding will take place in St. Francis Church Petoskey and the reception will be held at Birchwood Country Club in Harbor Springs.

The Bride-elect and Groom-elect both are Michigan State University graduates with Masters degrees in Accounting. They are both CPA's with Dokote in Detroit.

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Guv hopeful visits Charlevoix

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Purporting a plan he said will revitalize Michigan, 2010 Republican gubernatorial candidate Rick Snyder recently visited Charlevoix.

The self-described working man grew up in a modest Battle Creek home as the son of a window washer before attending University of Michigan and earning his MBA in 1979.

"I grew up in a house small enough where you had to ask someone to move to get into the refrigerator during a holiday meal," Snyder said. "I'm not a career politician—I've worked as a CPA doing tax work and then went on to work for Gateway computers ... and then I moved back to Ann Arbor and have been doing venture capital building companies there."

It may not be your usual rags-to-riches story, but Snyder said he knows the value of hard work.

"I worked my way up from a tax accountant to partner at what is now PricewaterhouseCoopers then became vice-president and eventually president of Gateway computers," he said.

Snyder's venture capital group Avalon Investments has invested in 24 companies across the country.

In addition to his other business ventures, Snyder helped found investment firm Ardesta which specializes in microtechnology and nanotechnology companies.

Snyder has a wife, Sue, three children and a dog named Dugan.

The way back to a more prosperous Michigan, Snyder said, will be by following 10

principles which includes:

- Creating more and better jobs — by relying on his experience in running his own businesses;

- Restructuring the tax system — by simplifying the code, applying fair standards and demanding transparency in the process;

- Fixing the government — by demanding higher standards of ethics, accountability and transparency;

- Retain qualified workers — by creating programs, networks and an overall environment conducive to highly-skilled workers;

- Restore crumbling cities — by eliminating blight, limiting sprawl, expanding mass transit and investing in infrastructure;

- Market Michigan abroad — by promoting Michigan as a destination for travelers, workers and business owners

both nationally and internationally.

- Protect the environment — by demanding stringent standards of pollution control and conservation;

- Reform education — by ensuring parents, schools and teachers are committed to preparation and lifelong education;

- Reform health care — by practicing prevention, personal responsibility and ensuring all residents have access to affordable, quality health care;

- Make Michigan a winner — by employing personal responsibility and collective determination to create a hopeful, positive attitude and culture;

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'Beautiful' winner

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The Charlevoix Area Garden Club's Downtown Beautification Committee announces its 2008 winners: First place went to Consign Design on Van Pelt Alley; second place was awarded to Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant; and third place was between J. Phillips and Maison Jardin. Awards of distinction were given to Cherry Republic and The Clothing Company. Special garden recognition awards were given to Burger King and Weathervane Inn and Hotel. Honorable mention certificates were given to all other participants, including: Advanced Geomatics, Charlevoix Wear, Charlevoix Factory Outlet Resort Wear, Color Wear, Cinema III, North Seas Gallery, Prudential Real Estate, and Shop of the Gulls. There were 18 participating merchants and restaurants this year—the largest number ever.

What's happening at the Library?

Managing Digital Pictures

Wednesday, August 5, 10:00 a.m.
Learn how to get your photos off the camera, save them and organize them with instructor Roger Gower, CPA Technology Assistant

PAWS for a Story

Wednesday, August 12, 1:00 p.m.
Spend some time with a loving dog at the library — by reading to it! Dogs are great, untrained. Instructors: Call to reserve your spot 231-237-1340

JAZZ @ the Library

Wednesday, August 5, 7:00 p.m.
Special Guest: Harry Goldstein, Mike Hunter and Dan Dunaway will provide a fun, four-and-a-half-hour evening of jazz in Grandma Gert's Children's Garden

Story Time w/ Ms. Laura

Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m. (ages birth through age 5)
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Dr. Ma Xiangjun, Assistant Professor, Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan will discuss the challenges of China's economic growth over the past quarter century. Reception in honor of the Hesse to follow event. Call for a reservation 231-237-1340

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Edith Gilbert: Sept. 2, 1917 - July 31, 2009

Edith Gilbert passed away on July 31, 2009 at the age of 91.



Edith Gilbert

She was born in Manhattan on Sept. 2, 1917 to Ethel (Liebman) and Otto Wiesinger. After World War I, her family moved back to Germany, then to Shanghai, then to San Francisco in 1927 where her parents were in the import/export business. Her sister Margot was born in 1930 in San Francisco.

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Roaring Twenties gala to benefit Community Free Clinic

BY MARCI SINGER
NEWS-REVIEW

The Dutch Dixies will be performing at a "Roaring Twenties" party to benefit the Community Free Clinic at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 12, at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. The event is sponsored by the Women's Club.

The Dutch Dixies started in the city of Apeldoorn in the Netherlands in the early 1980s. Their visit to Northern Michigan in August will be the third international trip for the band.

"The Dutch Dixies were planning a tour of Northern Michigan to perform fundraisers for community nonprofits," said Trudy J. Day, public relations coordinator for The Women's Club in Harbor Springs. "The club was asked if they would like to do a fundraiser and the board agreed wholeheartedly."

Day said the Women's Club has been a supporter of the Community Free Clinic in past years and seized the opportunity to provide significant funds for the clinic, which is staffed by professional and lay volunteers who donate their time and expertise to meet the needs of people needing health care and not having access to it.

"Those of us with access to health care are very fortunate, but realize when illness strikes and

there is no health care available, most people have no alternative but to live with their problem — some may not live long without treatment," Day said. "The clinic also keeps many people out of costly emergency rooms and the savings to hospitals is enormous."

Most everyone needs a boost in their lives and a sense that someone cares.

"It's also gratifying to be able to help and support our own neighbors during these tough times while at the same time having the pleasure of listening

to such a great group of musicians and having some good old-fashioned fun," she added.

The evening will include dancing to The Dutch Dixies, as well as a cocktail dinner buffet, cash bar, dance and costume competitions, plenty of "violin cases" with "bathtub gin," an amazing display of vintage 1920s automobiles and much more.

"Everyone is encouraged to dress up 'Roaring Twenties' style with feathers and pearls plus fans and wavy hair for the gals and 'gangster' hats, spats, flasks and



Pictured in their Roaring '20s garb and auto are Jane Miller, Patti Grannis, Kathi Kan, car owners Carol and Arnold Hudson, and Dutch Dixies event co-chairs Kathy Bremmeyer and Noreen Tarquini.

COURTESY PHOTO

cigars for the guys," Day said. "Plus to bring lots of cash to cash in on the fun!"

Day said all of the proceeds from the Roaring Twenties Gala will go to the clinic.

"We hope to raise more than \$10,000," she exclaimed.

"We're hoping to have upwards of 400 people join us for the evening," added steering committee member, Ruth O'Gawa. "It will be a great time for a great cause."

Day said The Community Free Clinic is truly a lifeline for people without access to quality health care — people who are our neighbors in Northern Michigan.

"And neighbors take care of each other when times get tough. Now, times are especially tough in our 'neighborhood' and it's a privilege to step up and lend a hand," she said. "So to those who are able to do so, we ask you to please join us in giving a hand-up to the clinic. It could be the most important thing you do."

Tickets are \$50 and \$100 each and are available for purchase online at www.treatickets.com or by calling Irene Schimmel at 526-6029. Tickets are also available from any Women's Club member.

Contact Marci Singer by e-mail at msinger@petoskeynews.com

China's Rise in the Age of Uncertainty

Saturday, August 8, 2 PM

Speaker: Dr. Mary Gallagher, Director of the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan

This talk will examine the domestic and international challenges of China's dramatic economic growth over the past quarter century. Dr. Gallagher will examine the ecological, economic, and political demands that China faces in the near term.

Reception immediately following the presentation.
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Registration is now open for the 2009 Chamber Golf Outing! It will be held on Friday, August 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Belvedere Golf Club. The outing will begin with a bang at 10pm with a shotgun start. New this year, the dinner & awards ceremony will follow at the golf course! Sign up for a sun-filled afternoon of networking & prize-winning opportunities. For additional information or to register, contact the Chamber at 547-2101 or visit the website www.charlevoix.org.

August 5 PAWS for a Story at the Library	August 13-15 Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales
August 6 Charlevoix Farmers Market	August 13 Business After Hours
August 6 Hospital Guild's Silent Auction	August 28 Challenge Mountain
August 7 First Friday Biz Breakfast	August 28 Golf Outing
August 8 Waterfront Art Fair	August 28 Chamber Golf Outing

Ralph Ostling: July 3, 1927 - July 29, 2009

Ralph Ostling, 82, passed away on July 29 at his home in Roscommon, Michigan.



Ralph Ostling

He was born in Roscommon on July 3, 1927 to John and Vilma Ostling, who came to the United States from Sweden.

Ralph was a graduate of Gerrish-Higgins High School.

He graduated from Central Michigan University in 1952, and received a Masters Degree from The University of Michigan.

He was married to Thela Dean Ostling on Dec. 21, 1947 in East Tawas, Michigan.

Ralph served in the US Navy from May 1945 through July 1946.

He was a teacher and coach at Gerrish-Higgins High School for 20 years, and served in the Michigan Legislature from 1973 to 1993.

Ralph was a life member of the Charles M. Engel VFW Post 4159. He was the longest-standing member of Messiah Lutheran Church prior to his death.

Ralph is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Thela Ostling; son, Kurt Ostling and his wife Judy Cunningham of Crescent Springs, KY; grandchildren, Dr. Lauren Ostling and Erik Ostling both of Cincinnati, OH; a sister, Edna Nunn of East Tawas and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 6 brothers, Harold, Robert, George, Arvid, Art and Kenneth.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, Aug. 5 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Walsh Funeral Home, 143 Lake St. in Roscommon.

A memorial service officiated by Pastor Andrew Gookin will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 6 at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1470 West Maplehurst Drive, Roscommon.

Donations in memory of Ralph Ostling are welcome and may be made to the char-

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'Art' goes to Africa

BEKAH GORE
EDITOR

World-class artists are teaming up for events centered on the African continent.

According to Charlevoix Circle of Arts' board president Kathryn Lobenz, "Africa: A safari of art, artifacts and photography" will be the most comprehensive exhibit yet.

"We're trying to increase the educational and enrichment aspects of our exhibits," she said. "Our goal is to serve the public of Charlevoix County."

A fundraiser preview of the show will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Aug. 5. Donations are appreciated, but not necessary to attend.

"Anyone interested, or anyone that has curiosity about the African Continent, whether they have traveled there or not, will enjoy this exhibit," Lobenz said.

In addition to being able to see incredible works of art, Lobenz said patrons will also have the opportunity to support the Circle of Arts, now celebrating its first year in existence.

"We're operating on a budget of \$35,000 a year—and that is

a conservative budget," she said. "This includes mainly operating expenses, exhibits and educational programs, heat and water."

She added, "The CCA (Circle of Arts) is totally 100 percent volunteer run."

The preview show will feature photos of Africa by renowned photographer Mike Schlitt entitled "Wild Animals of Africa."

Sculptures and paintings by Todd Warner will be on display under "Life as a Zoo."

Also on display will be Denno's Museum's African Artifacts from the Glidden's Collection.

Kim R. Diment's paintings "Wildlife Interpretations of Africa's Endangered Species" and "The People and Animals of Africa" in acrylic by Lyn Jenks will also be displayed.

"We have the late Norman Brumm's collection of ebony treasures carvings as well," Lobenz said. "And, we will have some impressive flower arrangements by the Charlevoix Area Garden Club's flower design group."

Then, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday Aug. 7, at the Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton St.,

will be the grand opening of the "Africa" event.

The exhibit will then continue from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays and until 8 p.m. on Saturdays.

Visit www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

Upcoming classes at the Circle of Arts include:

- Jim Koslosky's palette knife oil painting - 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Aug. 11 and 12

- Todd Warner's clay work shop - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 12

- Mike Colman's beginning pastels - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Aug. 13 and 27 and Sept. 3 and 10

- Russ Bolt's watercolor workshops - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 15; watercolor classes from 9 a.m. to noon on Aug. 22 and Sept. 5, 12 and 19

- Sherri Styx's sterling silver jewelry - 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Aug. 19 and 20

- Creative yoga - 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Mondays

- Art break for teens - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays

- Biting for teens - 9 a.m. to noon on Aug. 5 and 6

Call 547-3554 for more information.



Ridin' free

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Chet Morris, owner of Revolution Bikes of Charlevoix, donated 20 bikes so needy children in the Charlevoix area could get the exercise and joy of cycling that so many children take for granted. Morris donated the bikes to Charlevoix-Emmet Department of Human Services which will give the bikes to children in foster care. If you have a gently used bicycle you would like to donate, call 237-0900 to make arrangements. Should your business want to LIVE UNITED like Chet Morris, call (231) 487-1006 or e-mail info@charlevoixunitedway.org, put "I want to LIVE UNITED" in the subject line. If you have a donation, United Way will find a way to help you make a positive impact in our community. Pictured are (from left) Shirley Gillespie, Department of Human Services; Julie Voci Administrative/Program Assistant, Char-Em United Way; Joanne Curtis, Board President Char-Em United Way; and Morris.

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LETTERS to the editor

Thanks, Belvedere

Editor:

The Belvedere Club did an outstanding job of sponsoring the Charlevoix Community Blood Drive on July 16. The blood drive was held at the Community Reformed Church.

The blood drive was very well organized by Mr. Don Denison.

Members of the Belvedere Club generously donated their time to promote, bake and work the entire drive.

Especially delightful to me were the Gangs.

A dozen boys and girls from the Young gang arrived early to set up the American Red Cross equipment.

They did an excellent job with exuberant spirits.

Then the teen gang helped the adult Belvedere volunteers assist the Red Cross with all of the donors.

Over 100 donors came to give the gift of life.

The Red Cross successfully collected 90 pints of lifesaving blood. Many of those pints came from Belvedere members.

Take down and clean up was also accomplished by Belvedere volunteers. I want to thank The Belvedere Club for all of their hard work and congratulate them for exceeding their goal.

They were all wonderful to work with.

I will long remember their smiles, willingness to help and genuine compassion for

the great cause of the American Red Cross.

Please mark your calendars for the next Charlevoix Community Blood Drive which will be held noon until 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 24, at the Reformed Church in Charlevoix.

You will make a difference for sick and injured patients. Thank-you Belvedere Club and blood donors.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Ellen Breining
Charlevoix Coordinator

An idle problem

Editor:

I have noticed a bad thing that happens everyday in downtown Charlevoix.

My dad and I were in the car and we got stopped by the bridge.

We turned our car off to conserve energy. We were stopped for about 5 or 10 minutes. The people around us in their cars didn't turn them off.

"Why aren't they turning off their cars to save energy and cut down on pollution?" I asked.

My dad replies, "Good question."

Did you know that idling for longer than 10 seconds uses more gas than starting your engine? Or that idling for 10 minutes equals about 25 cents?

It doesn't seem like much, but it all adds up every time

you stop.

According to Canadian Office of Energy, it's true.

I've done my research. Please turn off your cars.

Sincerely,
Julia Doskoc,
Fifth-grader, St. Mary School

Thanks, Charlevoix

Editor:

I would like to thank the people of Charlevoix who supported my bid for the School Board in 2008.

I have learned a great deal during the past year of my service.

My reasons for resigning are personal, and in the best interest of my family and me.

In addition, I want to say that I have always had a tremendous amount of respect for the teachers and staff of the Charlevoix Public Schools.

Next, I want to say that in the past year I have learned more of the extreme complexity and difficulty that the administration and board members have in making the decisions for the district in the current economic climate.

I have nothing but respect for Chet Janik, Shawn Bidle, the administrative team, and the rest of the Board members.

Finally, it is my sincerest hope that the mediation process is successful and that the contract is resolved in the near future.

Judith Ivan
Charlevoix

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Getting tricky

Jon Mulholland of Petokey, employee of Revolution Bike, tries out the new element at the City of Charlevoix Skatepark, a new spine rail.

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Pajtas firework judgment upheld

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Michigan Court of Appeals has upheld Charlevoix 33rd Circuit Judge Richard Pajtas' ruling in favor of Citizens Insurance Company in the 1997 fireworks tragedy case.

The court ruled that, despite Auto Owners' appeal to the contrary, Citizens Insurance Company is not financially liable for the defense of Richard Davis, then president of Fireworks North Inc., the company which presided over the fireworks display which resulted in multiple injuries and one death during the 1997 Venetian Festival.

"Prior to conducting the show in Charlevoix, Davis did not obtain liability insurance for Fireworks North. However, Davis personally had a homeowner's insurance policy through Citizens and had an umbrella policy through Auto Owners,"

the court stated. "Following the accident, numerous individuals sued Davis for their resulting injuries. Consequently, Davis contacted Citizens and Auto Owners and asserted that each company had a duty to defend him under the terms of the respective insurance policies. Each company initially denied Davis' response for a defense, citing various exemptions in the insurance policies."

The court further stated, "However, Auto Owners eventually granted Davis' request and provided him with a defense. Meanwhile, Citizens filed a declaratory action in which it sought a declaration that it had no duty to defend. Auto Owners intervened in the declaratory action, arguing that Citizens was required to defend Davis and to reimburse Auto Owners for the cost of the defense that had already been

provided."

Pajtas eventually ruled that Citizens Insurance was not liable.

"Based on the allegations presented in the underlying complaints, Citizens was justified in concluding that the business and professional services exemptions applied," stated Justices David H. Sawyer, Christopher M. Murray and Cynthia Diane Stephens. "Citizens was not required to provide Davis with a defense and the trial court's grant of summary disposition was proper."

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Deep art display

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Trisha Shattuck's debut show of abstract expressionistic paintings begins with an artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 8 at the Cycling Salamander Art Gallery.



Fiddling around

PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, COURIER

Duane Spyker of Midland County serenades patrons of the Portside Arts Fair just north of East Jordan Sunday Aug. 2, at Elm Pointe. Sponsored by the East Jordan Historical Society, the show featured nearly 80 artists and is annually frequented by nearly 2,600 people.

Feeling fresh

(Left) Maureen Radke (left) from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and Megan Rapelje (right) from Michigan State University Extension stand by Pond Hill Farm's fresh produce at Boyne City Farmer's Market, where the grant check was presented.

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Dogs can't read! But they make good listeners

"PAWS for a Story" is a program that brings trained and certified therapy dogs with their owners to the Charlevoix Public Library to read with children. Children are able to practice reading aloud in front of a non-judgmental, happy audience, gaining confidence with each sentence. Read aloud practice like this has shown an increase in both reading scores and a willingness to read. The PAWS for a Story program will be held four consecutive Wednesdays in August, beginning August 5, from 10:30 - 1:00 pm in the youth department. Fifteen to twenty minute time slots are scheduled. Call the Youth Information Desk at 237-7350 to sign up. Parents are encouraged bring their child each week to watch their child's confidence blossom. When the children arrive for their reading session, they get to choose a book to share, and then curl up and read aloud to an adoring listener - the dog. The owner is there at all times but is usually silent. The R.E.A.D. (Reading Education Assistance Dogs) program began out west and programs are spreading throughout the country. PAWS is the local version with locally certified dog/trainer teams. "The children are excited to visit and read to their dog," states youth services assistant, Sandi DiSanto. Some of the library's new volunteer teams include Elaine Conway and Scout (Shiatu), Julie Ganfield and Abigail (Black Lab), and Karl Groll and Amadeus (Poodle/Shiatu). Dog owners interested in learning more about the program and how to be a certified PAWS team, can contact the youth information desk at the library, 237-7350 or visit R.E.A.D. on the web at: www.therapyanimals.org (go to R.E.A.D. on the side toolbar) or search "read with dogs" on your search engine.

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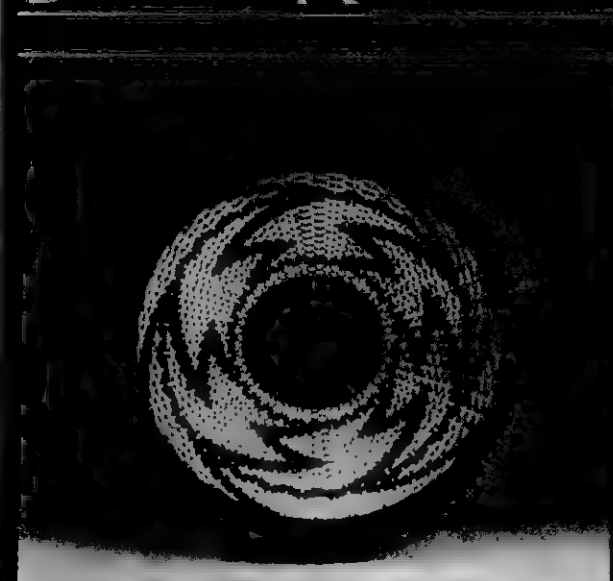
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SPORTS reviewing the action

Ace aces softball tourney

Ellsworth held their 36th annual softball tournament last Friday and Saturday, with 11 area teams vying to take home the title.

Ace Hardware of Boyne City came away as champions, with BC Pizza of Boyne City finishing second, Arwood Hardware third and Star Township fourth.

Hugh Campbell, tournament manager, said the weekend was once again a success.

"We're very happy with it," Campbell said. "The weather broke well for us and the tournament ran real well."

Players from towns across the area, with Charlevoix, Kalkaska, Boyne City and Bellevue to name a few, made up the teams, with the only requirement that players be at

least 18 years of age or a high school graduate.

The double elimination tournament traditionally operates as a fund-raiser for Ellsworth, with this year's focus being a new concession stand.

Campbell said last year's focus was on their new community park, and also said Drenth Field in the Ellsworth Sports Park was built with help from the softball tournament in years past.

One of the most unique aspects of the tournament is their rule that only allows for wooden bats, instead of the usual metal bats used in softball leagues.

"Wooden bats level the playing field," Campbell said.

He said metal bats can be modified because everyone

brings their own and that "hot bats" do not keep things equal.

Tim Hardy, a tournament umpire, agreed that the wooden bats make for a fairer game.

"With wooden bats, it's more of a defensive game," Hardy said. "It's more like a baseball game, not a home run fest."

He also said wooden bats, coupled with a one home run per inning rule make for close games.

The biggest reason this annual tournament is consistently successful though, is because people love going out and having fun playing ball with friends and family.

Randy Kruzel, a member of the tournament champion

Ace Hardware of Boyne City team, said the tournament is a decades long tradition for him and many of the guys on his team.

"It brings some guys out of retirement," Kruzel said. "There's lots of family out there, fathers and sons."

He also said he appreciates that the majority of teams place their emphasis on having fun and enjoying the game.

"It doesn't matter the type of athlete you are - you play. I'm happy about that," Kruzel said.

Kevin Fitzpatrick, also a member of Ace Hardware of Boyne City, said there is a lot to like about the tournament.

"The field is nice, and it's a full tournament but you still get Sunday off," he said.

He also added with a laugh that it was nice to see bats that did not cost more than a car, because of the wooden bat rule.

Of course, the aim of the game is still to win though, so it's only natural that there is healthy competition involved in the games as well.

"I think it's more laid back than most tournaments, but everybody still wants to win," Fitzpatrick said.

Being responsible for making all the split second decisions, Hardy sees it all while umpiring the tournament games.

"Most of the guys just don't like to lose. It just comes with being competitive," Hardy said.

And while any major dis-

agreements in a weekend tournament are generally few and far between, Hardy sticks to his guns as an umpire.

"I call what I see, if they don't like it, oh well," he said with a smile.

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Frankenthuth Summer Heat Invitational

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SPORTS reviewing the action



Men's slowpitch softball champions

COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured at the ball fields off Carpenter are the men's slowpitch softball champions with a record of 13-1. The team members are (front, from left) Steve Ketchman, Jacob Chamberlain, Josh Chamberlain, Guy Chamberlain, Russell Williams, Kyle Jones, Jason Cesaro, Denny Kruzel, (back, from left) Shannon Gillespie, Mike Rautio, Lew Robinson, Matt Sura, Chuck Pop, J.D. Pop and James Thomas. Missing is Cliff Jones.

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BY CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
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The weather certainly has people talking these days, and Ed Evans of Charlevoix is no exception.

Evans, an electrical engineer by trade, has a serious passion for tracking the weather.

"The station is almost underwhelming," Evans said of the 30-foot pole adjacent to his house—it is the only outside evidence of the station.

It is actually a dual-purpose television antenna equipped with a temperature sensor, anemometer (wind-speed detector) and rain catcher.

It collects everything from rain and snowfall to temperature, wind chill, wind speed, humidity and dew point.

What initially started with an interest in Web cameras led to the purchase and construction of a weather station and now has flourished into a full-time "weather hobby," Evans said.

He has four computers that gather data from two weather stations and three cameras.

An advanced computer software system compiles the information and automatically publishes it to various Web sites.

Three web cameras also capture live outdoor images from various locations near Evans' home one mile west of Ironton, and publishes them to various Web sites including Evans' own, www.irontonwebcams.com and www.charlevoixweather.com



Ed Evans at work at his home weather station.

PHOTO BY CHRISTINE GWDIT

as well as numerous other sites.

Evans receives no financial reimbursements for his postings.

He said his sole motivation is to provide free weather information and photographs to the general public, and perhaps make a personal connection along the way.

In March, he received an e-mail from Master Sergeant Paul Arnold of the United States Air Force stationed at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

Arnold was amazed to discover online images from Evans' Web cameras that were taken from an angle showing his childhood home.

"Thank-you for creat-

ing your Web site," Arnold wrote in an e-mail to Evans. "I moved away 21 years ago when I joined the Air Force...seeing the pictures was as if I was back home again, staring down the road at the same trees and hills."

He added, "It's as if I'm still at home."

Arnold is not the only per-

son who has contacted Evans in appreciation of his Web postings.

"It's surprising, really. What I have discovered in all this is the number of people out there that are like me," Evans said. "Kind of geeky and are interested in the weather, and just like to do this—for fun."



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Heidi Dietrich

In May, in a small coastal village near Puerto Viejo, Costa Rica, Heidi Dietrich studied at the Samasati Yoga Retreat Center with 20 other students from all over the world to earn her accreditation as a yoga instructor.

Returning to Charlevoix, Dietrich established Dharma and Grace Yoga.

"Yoga is bringing together the body, mind and spirit," Dietrich said. "I think people come to yoga for many reasons. For some, it's relaxation; for others, it's for added flexibility or for the physical exercise. And for some, it's spiritual."

Dietrich completed the required 200 hours of training through the Yoga Alliance, an international organization that provides support services and yoga teacher certification.

She received instruction in anatomy, alignment, adjustments and breathing, as well as the history, philosophy and the essence of the yoga lifestyle.

Yoga is the Sanskrit word for "union."

Originating in India 3,000 years ago, yoga is the practice of physical postures, poses and mental practices with the purpose of achieving one's highest potential and to experience an improved quality of life.

"It's really for everyone," said Dietrich. "From kids, to more advanced ages. It can be fine-tuned for individual needs. It assists with balance, stamina, focus and flexibility. With kids, it helps with releasing or focusing energy."

Born and raised in Charlevoix, Dietrich started practicing yoga when she was still in high school.

"My mother saw that it was offered, and I took it with my parents," she said. "I took

classes offered by Mary Reilly at Crooked Tree. My older sister does yoga, too, and my mom does Tai Chi."

Living to Chicago for 10 years, beginning in 1997, Dietrich "took lots of yoga classes" while working in human resources for Hyatt Hotels, marketing for commercial real estate and as an art director for the gallery, Dulcinea.

"It's really a dream come true," she said about teaching yoga. "It's a gift to me."

Dietrich holds classes at 8 a.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays and 10 a.m. on Thursdays and Fridays at The Well Being, located at 1516 South Bridge St., across from the airport.

She also offers a class at 10 a.m. on Mondays at The Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St.

Classes are \$12 for drop-ins and \$10 each for a series of five or more.

Dietrich is offering a free sunrise yoga class at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 22 in East Park, and private sessions are also available.

To learn more or to schedule a personal session, call Dharma and Grace Yoga at (231) 373-6033.



COURTESY PHOTO

Heidi Dietrich meditates on a rock on a beach. Dietrich earned her yoga accreditation earlier this May in Costa Rica.

"The more time you spend practicing yoga, the more aware you are of your body,

the food you eat and your daily activities," said Dietrich. "It's a lifelong practice. Ev-

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NOTICE IS HEREBY PROVIDED TO NORD B. SCHROEDER AND PATRICK SCHROEDER, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 314 N East St, Boyne City, MI 49712-1111.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1302

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at 1-800-451-1111 or at (866) 946-7432

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from July 30, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after July 30, 2009

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 5, 2009

For more information, please call: FCX (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
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File # 277426F01
(L-8/05)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
File No. 09-011389-DE**

Estate of Philip R. Gregg, Deceased
Date of Birth: February 2, 1925
TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Philip R. Gregg, who lived at 26125 Main Street, Beaver Island, Michigan died April 29, 2009. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Lillian L. Gregg, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.
Dated: July 29, 2009
Kathrine D. Martin (P02506)
301 State Street, Suite 200
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-8999

Lillian L. Gregg
P.O. Box 99
Beaver Island, MI 49782
(231) 448-2305
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SHELLEY KONDRAT, A MARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 29, 2007, and recorded on May 31, 2007, in Liber 805, on Page 321, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents (\$44,267.27), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on SEPTEMBER 4, 2009

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

THE EAST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTH WEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 11, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a. In which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 29, 2009

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
(L-8/05, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26)

STATE OF MICHIGAN

**PROBATE COURT
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY
Circuit Court-Family Division
PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE OF HEARING
FILE NO. 09-011390-GA**

In the matter of Deborah Houck TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: "Bradford Houck and any unknown heirs whose names are unknown whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on August 19, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at Charlevoix Probate Court, 301 State St., Charlevoix, MI before Judge Frederick R. Mulhauser (P28895) for the following purpose: To hear the Amended Petition filed by Lisa Thiel requesting that a guardian be appointed, Constance Nowka for the above-captioned person.
Date: 7/29/2009
Lisa Thiel
Char-Em DH5,
2229 Summit Park Dr
Petoskey, MI 49770
(231) 348-1647
(L 8/05)

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ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, mBank, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Cintel, Inc., a Michigan corporation ("Debtors") to mBank, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan ("mBank"), dated March 1, 2006, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on April 3, 2006, in Liber 733, Page(s) 570, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$340,437.84, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to mBank together with interest at 8.00 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on August 21, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL A:

BEGINNING AT A CHISELED "X" IN A CONCRETE SIDEWALK AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF SECOND STREET WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST, 120.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00' 01" EAST, 135.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" WEST, 234.30 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 26' 13" EAST, 135.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG SAID STREET LINE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST, 113.03 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 3, SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST.

EXCEPT:

IN THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF SECOND STREET WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 44" EAST (RECORDED AS SOUTH 89 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST), 55.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID STREET LINE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 44" EAST (RECORDED AS SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST), 65.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00' 56" EAST (RE

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CORDING AS SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00' 01" EAST, 135.04 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 41" WEST, 65.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 06' 56" WEST, 135.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 3, SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

Dated: July 14, 2009

mBank, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, a Michigan corporation

By: THOMAS A. PEZZETTI,
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2095 PUBLIC MEETINGS**CITY OF CHARLEVOIX****PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE****CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL****Monday, August 17, 2009 -****7:00 p.m.****Second Floor Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State****Street, Charlevoix, MI**

The Charlevoix City Council is holding a joint public hearing with the Charlevoix Historic District Committee on a proposed ordinance to establish the Earl Young Historic District on August 17 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. This is the second and final public hearing on this issue, and City Council will make a determination at this meeting whether to approve or deny the ordinance establishing the Earl Young Historic District. Written or oral comments are welcome and copies of the Historic District Study Report are available at the Clerk's Office and the Planning Office at Charlevoix City Hall, 210 State St.

A quorum of the Planning Commission may be in attendance.
A quorum of the Historic District Commission may be in attendance.
Carol A. Ochs
City Clerk
(8/05)

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Council hears power purchase, power line relocation

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix City Council during their regular Aug. 3 meeting.

Item: Power purchase

In brief: Council discussed whether to purchase blocks of power in the amount of \$5,454,446 through the Michigan Public Power Agency as has been considered in recent months. The city could buy power blocks at what may be a lower price now than several years down the road and use it when necessary.

Board action: Unanimously approved, 6-0

Item: Power line relocation

In brief: Discussion of whether to relocate power lines along nearly three blocks of Dixon Avenue to prevent several trees from being substantially trimmed or removed.

Board action: Council has given the affected homeowners 40 days to indicate interest of paying the nearly \$200,000 in fees to relocate the lines along the Berdan Alley.

Item: Anderson boathouse legal strategy

In brief: In order to save the city money, council discussed whether to limit the amount of work its legal counsel may perform in connection with the proposed Anderson Boathouse project. City attorney recommended he attend hearings but not file pleadings or engage in

oral argument except to clarify matters to the judge hearing the case and any other matters which would necessitate defending the city's best interests.

Board action: Unanimously approved, 6-0

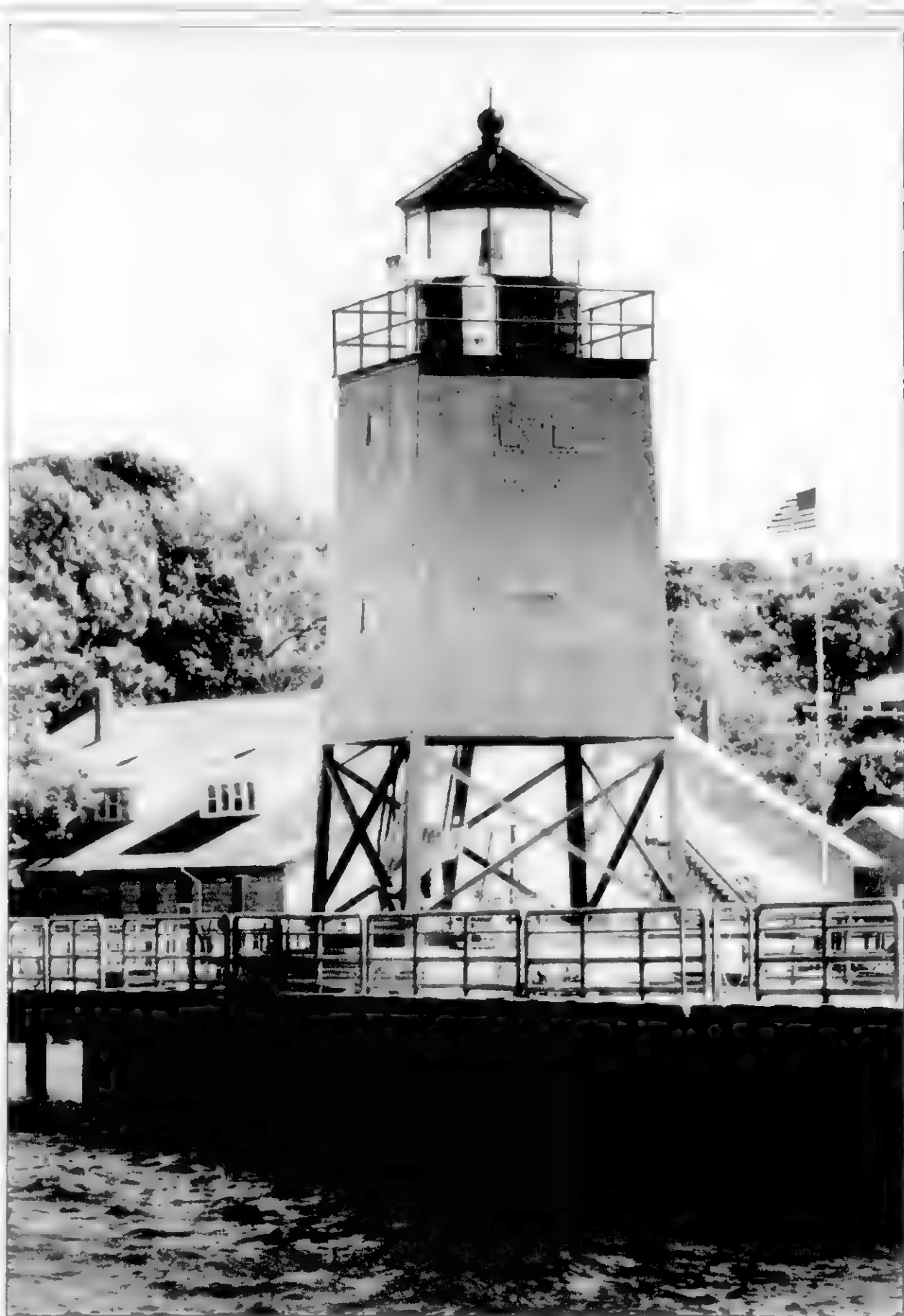
Public hearings set

Item: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) compliance

In brief: A public hearing was set for noon on Aug. 10 at city hall on a proposed amendment to the city code which will require enplanement data be reported to the city on an annual basis. Local airways are not forced to report the number of passengers under FAA rules but if the city cannot prove it has at least 10,000 enplanement, or air passengers, each year, it will lose \$1 million in funding.

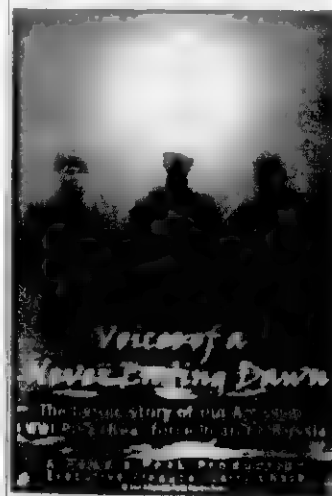
Item: Earl Young Historic District

In brief: A public hearing was set for 7 p.m. Aug. 17 at city hall on whether to gather public input on the proposed Earl Young Historic District. Young built the 16 structures in question. The Charlevoix Historic District Study Committee feels the homes are unique and should be preserved for their historical importance as their designer was a renowned architect.

**It's red!**

The scaffolding came off Charlevoix's newly painted lighthouse Friday on the pier at Lake Michigan Beach. The fresh red paint will take some getting used to for many. Others who have been around long enough, see it as restored to how they remember it as a child.

PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE/NEWS-REVIEW

Polar Bears on the big screen

The movie "Voices of a Never Ending Dawn," which was shot partially in the Charlevoix area, will premiere at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center. The movie focuses on the World War I soldiers called "Polar Bears" who went from Michigan to northern Russia for night missions during World War I to help quell the Bolshevik Revolution. Go to www.polarbeardocumentary.com/press for more information.

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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bridge

Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Haines at 675-9955.

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays August through Sept. 5, at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will

hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American

to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNJ

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNJ meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

BAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

Historical society

Museum Hours
The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

* Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
* Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Circle of Arts

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Now through Aug. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League

* Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

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Hiroshima Remembrance
At 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 6, Northern Michigan People for Peace and the Little Traverse League for Peace and Freedom will sponsor the annual remembrance of the American bombing of Hiroshima 64 years ago.

The event is at the Odmark Pavilion in Charlevoix's East Park, for an hour of songs, poetry, and discussion of the beginning of the nuclear age.

Join peace advocates around the world to help them make sure no bomb is ever dropped again. Call Ellis Boal at 547-2626 for more.

AUG. 8 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visions and Visions."

Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

Aug. 6 - Vistas of Lake Bellaire West on Cayuga St. to Bellaire Highway.

Aug. 13 - Fred Vemeersch Orchard View, 1344 Vemeersch Rd., Central Lake.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and

Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

AUG. 7 THROUGH AUG. 24

East Jordan area events

Aug. 7 - Friday Moonlit River trip. Bring your kayaks or canoes and meet at 8 p.m. at the Rogers Road access. Potluck follows at Jordan River Watershed Center. Bring bug spray and a dish to pass.

Aug. 15 - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Morning Nature Hike: Bennett Creek Preserve on M-66 just N. of Kidder Road.

Aug. 22 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday pig roast Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser. Cedar Bend Farms 1021 Doerr Road, Mancelona, MI 49659. Call (231) 587-8126. Food, music, silent auction for all ages. Adults \$15, kids 3 to 10 \$7.50. Under 3 free. Call 536-4977 to purchase advance tickets.

Aug. 24 - 6 p.m. Monday, spaghetti dinner at Caruso's Family Dining, U.S. 131 Alba. \$6 per person. Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser

AUG. 7

Polish Festival

Three on three shootout games will be held during the Polish Festival at Boyne Falls School on M75-South.

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Early registration by July 29 with an entry fee of \$60.

Late registration entry fee is \$75 from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Check in time is 8:30 if you pre-registered—8:50 for late registration. Bracketing and rules meeting is from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Games begin at 9 a.m.

Visit www.boynefalls.org or call (231) 549-2211 extension 114 or 582-1092 or e-mail tbeyer@boynefalls.org to register and for more information.

AUG. 8

Artist reception
Psychology on Canvas in Color — Paintings by Trisha Shattuck. Artist reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 8 at Cycling Salamander Art Gallery, 02217 US 31 South.

China's Rise

At 2 p.m. on Aug. 8 at the library, Dr. Mary Gallagher, Director of the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, will be presenting "China's Rise in an Age of Uncertainty" at the Charlevoix Public Library's Heise Event. The talk will examine the domestic and international challenges of China's dramatic economic growth over the past quarter century.

Car, craft show

Friske Farm Market, located in Atwood the Adorable, will host their Annual Car & Craft Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

on Saturday, Aug. 8. Come for classic cars, crafters, blacksmithing presentation, and kid's crafts. Event is 10 miles south of Charlevoix right on U.S. 31 in Atwood. For more information, call (231) 599-2604.

Bier Art Gallery

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bier Art Gallery will be hosting a demonstration on Saturday Aug. 8, at the art gallery six miles south of Charlevoix at the red and white schoolhouse. It's a day to meet and talk with working artists; refreshments will be available.

AUG. 9

Church service

The Charlevoix Assembly of God located at 05291 M-66 North, across from the Castle, will be hosting the Gilead Healing Team based out of Lansing Mount Hope Assembly of God Church. The team will offer training, teaching, coaching, and impartation for healing ministry at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9. Event is open to the public.

The team will be directing the regular morning worship service at 10:30 a.m. with a cookout/fellowship dinner immediately following the service.

A Community Healing Service also be held at 6 p.m. For more information, contact the church office from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at 547-6340.

COA ice-cream social

From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., on Aug. 9, the Boyne Senior Center at 411 Division will host an ice-cream social with demonstrations by the Wii bowling team and Senior Steppers.

Call 582-6682 for more information.

AUG. 11

Ten Trillion and Counting: The Coming Federal Fiscal Crisis

America's mountain of

debt is growing beyond the realm of our understanding. Jon Terry, President of Capitol Youth Strategies LLC, will be speaking at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 11 at the Charlevoix Public Library Tuesday, discussing the coming federal crisis. This interactive discussion will be focused on the politics behind America's mountain of debt, its potential threat, and what can be done about it.

AUG. 13

Musical/comedy luncheon

The Ragamuffin Theatre & Company presents "So You Think You're A Princess?"

LEGO racing

At 1 p.m. on Aug. 11 at Charlevoix library, children 8 and older will learn how to build a LEGO race car. Pre-registration is required by calling 237-7350.

AUG. 14

Book signing

At 3 p.m. on Aug. 14 at Up North Books in Charlevoix author Bob Butz will discuss and sign copies of An Uncrowded Place: The delights and dilemmas of life Up North and a

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The Venetian Board heartily thanks the hundreds of volunteers and contributors who made the 2009 Venetian Festival such a smashing success. Plans are already underway for 2010, which marks the 80th birthday of Venetian! Special kudos go out to Venetian's largest financial contributors:

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Relay For Life

At 4:30 p.m. on Aug. 15, local cancer survivors will be honored during the Survivor Celebration at the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County. Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event that raises funds and awareness of cancer research and patient programs. For 24 hours, teams of family, friends and co-workers camp out and take turns walking a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times as a reminder that cancer never sleeps.

For information more on how you can join the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County, contact Lindsey Malpass-Skop at (231) 536-7959.

Donations can also be made directly to the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County by visiting www.relayforlife.org and clicking on Find Relay Events.

Book signings

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the photographer, Michael Barton, author of *The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix*.

• 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the author, Marcy Fisher, and have her sign your copy of *Fired Magic*. Marcy will be a guest speaker at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.

Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699. Aug. 15

Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in classroom A.

The next one is scheduled for Wednesday Aug. 5.

Health Screens include: cholesterol (total cholesterol, HDL, the healthy cholesterol which protects the heart, and a ratio, which ideally should be under 4.5 to help prevent stroke and heart attack), blood sugar level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a blood pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all of the test results (including the blood results) at the time of the screen.

Blood will be obtained by a Registered Nurse by a painless finger-stick method with no fasting required. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes and could end up saving your life.

Poet honored

Charlevoix's Poet Laureate Rosalyn Goldstick will be saluted on the occasion of her 90th birthday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15 at the Charlevoix Senior Center located at 06906 Norwood Road near the west end of Carpenter Street.

Light refreshments will be served. No gifts, please, but cards are welcome. Donations in Rosalyn's name can be made to either the Senior Cen-

ter or to Temple B'Nai Israel, 420 Waukazoo Ave., Petoskey, MI 49770. Call 547-0749 for questions or information.

Build the Bus

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 22, you can help the Char-Em United Way help needy students by stuffing the bus with school supplies.

Busses will be located in both K-Mart Plazas in Charlevoix and Petoskey.

Needed items include folders, pencils, hand sanitizer, crayons and any other school supplies. A list of suggested school supplies is available at www.char-emuitedway.org.

Drop-boxes are located during Aug. 14 through 22 at Family Dollar, Pellston; K-Mart, Wal-Mart, Dollar Tree and Bed Bath & Beyond, Petoskey; K-Mart and Dollar Tree, Charlevoix.

Volunteers are needed to staff the buses from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Aug. 22 and help sort supplies.

To volunteer, contact Julie at 487-1006 or at info@char-emuitedway.org.

A work bee to sort, count and prepare the school supplies for delivery will take

place at the Red Cross Building on Sept. 1, contact us if you have time to help.

Char-Em United Way is also accepting monetary donations to purchase school supplies for students in need. Donations should be mailed to Char-Em United Way, PO Box 1701, Petoskey, MI 49770, with Stuff the Bus noted, or use one of the donation boxes available at the buses.

AUG. 29

ORV training

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider offers an ORV training class for those citizens who need to comply with the new Michigan State law and Charlevoix County ordinance on our county road system. Training will take place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office training room.

Registration required at www.charlevoixcounty.org and go to the "Sheriff's" link to fill out the application and forward the typewritten application to the Sheriff's Office, 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, with attention Deputy Genna Gauthier. You may

also e-mail your application to gauthier@charlevoixcounty.org. Call 547-4461 for more.

Picture ID is required by all students.

SEPT. 18

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieb@charlevoixcounty.org.

Pewabic Pottery

Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, by Marcy Heller Fisher, tells the story of a child dying in the beauty of Detroit's Ancestral Pottery. Ancestral Pottery is a Detroit area pottery studio that speaks from 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18. Charlevoix Public Library has two very different stories. Children of all ages will have an opportunity to hear some of the stories from *Fired Magic*, while creating a Pewabic like tile magnet

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At 6:30 p.m., Fisher will present another program no contemporary Pewabic.

SEPT. 18 THROUGH 20

Breast cancer benefit

The fifth annual Trailing for Triumph for the benefit of Breast Cancer Research at Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

A new saddle will be awarded to the rider raising the most pledges.

Riders must raise a minimum of \$200 in sponsor pledges to qualify. For more information, go to www.trailingfortriumph.org or contact Lisa McParlan at (231) 582-6165.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, op-

tometrists Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a

food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



Going for Baroque

PHOTO COURTESY BEAVER ISLANDER NEWSPAPER

This year's Baroque on Beaver Island Music Festival found 60 musicians performing at four concerts July 30 through Aug. 2. Standing room only audiences attended the events sponsored by the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association and supported by the MI Council of Arts and Cultural Affairs/Chesboygan Area Arts Council, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, TDS, Beaver Island Boat Company, and a number of island businesses and individuals. Pictured is vocal soloist Martha Guth performing Cantata by Johann Sebastian Bach.

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LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Dear friends of Northwest Michigan:

It was a great pleasure to return home recently for the grand re-opening of Resort Township's East Park. While the weather for the June 20th celebration was cool and cloudy, the moods of those who attended were bright; the event provided a visible example of the environmental progress being made by CMS Land Company at the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project.

At CMS Land, we are proud of the work that has been done at East Park and all along the shoreline near the Bay Harbor community. The solutions installed at East Park have worked well and environmental results have been impressive. Monitoring of the lake shows that the safeguards are working. And, in June, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan opened all access to the lake at the park. Now, we turn the page.

Soon, CMS Land will deliver to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information collected from our monitoring wells at East Park to help establish standards for mercury as the project moves toward completion. Positive results from this monitoring should lead to having long-term oversight of the project moved from the federal government to state officials here in Michigan. In addition, CMS continues its work to find a safe and cost-effective local option to dispose of the water collected at East Park and at locations in the Bay Harbor community, including using proven methods to safely release the water to the lake.

These will all be exciting milestones in the life of this project, one that began with an abandoned cement factory and just recently celebrated the reopening of a world-class public park.

I would like to thank all those who helped make the opening of East Park a great success. We will build on that success as we move into the final stages of this environmental effort.

Sincerely,

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For several years, environmental work has been underway to address problems left behind from the old cement plant that used to operate along the Lake Michigan shore.

To obtain more information about the work done at East Park and throughout the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit protectingourbay.com

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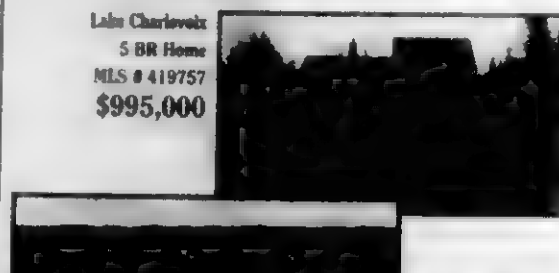
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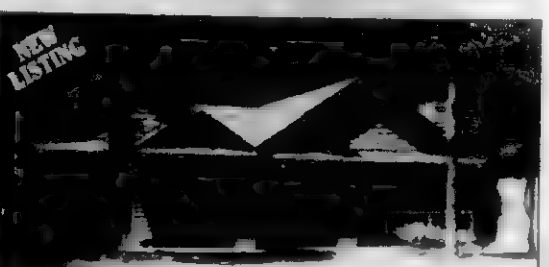
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School board appoints familiar face

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Citing a need to "go with experience," the Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education chose a former board member to fill a recent opening.

Former longtime board member Larry Levensgood was appointed from a pool of five applicants following an interview before a crowd of dozens at the Monday, Aug. 10 meeting.

"I look forward to being back and getting to work," Levensgood said. "The board has a lot of challenges ahead of them and I'm looking forward to trying to help them meet those challenges."

Levensgood's experience comes from serving 20 years on the school board in Charlevoix.

Back in February 2008, Levensgood chose not to run for reelection citing it was time for a change.

"I told them then, if they



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

The Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education interviewed five candidates who applied for the board of education slot vacated by Judith Ivan who recently resigned. Pictured are the candidates (from left) Denise Sandison, Larry Levensgood, John Haggard, John Taylor and Josh Glass.

ever needed someone to fill out a vacancy for a time period I'm available to help

them out," he said.

Levensgood, who said he isn't sure if he will seek re-

election next May, works for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan.

Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik said he was grateful six

people applied for the vacancy left when former board member Judith Ivan resigned citing "personal issues."

One candidate withdrew in the days leading up to the interview.

"Larry brings over 20 years of experience ... so it will be a smooth transition and easy for him to get caught up with what we're dealing with," Janik said. "I look forward to working with him once again."

Levensgood said he missed working with the board for the last year-and-a-half.

"I missed the involvement and helping the community and students—it's a way to give back to the community," he said.

Levensgood was sworn in at the end of the Aug. 10 meeting.

He will officially begin his term at the 7 p.m. Sept. 14 board meeting at Charlevoix Middle School.

The relay of your life: cancer awareness

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Kim Hejka was 20-years-old when she threw a snowball and broke her arm.

"I was diagnosed with Ewing's Sarcoma," she said, "but I got lucky. It wasn't actually in the bone."

Hejka is one of the cancer survivors participating in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County.

Saturday, August 15 at 10 a.m. through Sunday, August 16 at 10 a.m. The 24-hour event is held at Castle Farms and is open to the public.

It celebrates survivors and remembers those who lost, but fought back, in their battle against a disease that attacks one in three people during their lifetime.

The Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's sig-

nature event, raising awareness and funds to fight cancer. It features an overnight camp-out of friends, family and co-workers, broken into teams, who take turns walking the track. Each team keeps a member on the track at all times as a reminder that cancer never sleeps. A Fight Back Ceremony, Survivor Dinner, and Remembrance Ceremony, held at dusk, are also scheduled.

More than a fundraiser, the Relay For Life offers the community an opportunity to support local survivors and the ongoing effort to find a cure.

It's wonderful," Hejka said. "I can't explain it. It's a place where everybody knows what it's like. Not just the survivors, but the caregivers and family. Cancer is hard on everyone involved, and it means everything to see this kind of support. Sometimes you feel alone when you're fighting it

You can't give a better gift than feeling like you're not alone."

A two-time survivor, Hejka was diagnosed with breast cancer 10 years ago. She returned to her involvement in the Relay For Life, and this year she co-chairs the silent and live auctions with her mother, Sue Stanbrough.

Participants and spectators have the opportunity to celebrate the triumph of local survivors during the Survivor's Victory

Lap.

"The Victory Lap is one of the most moving experiences of my life," said Owen Welsh, co-chair for Relay For Life of Charlevoix County. "Each year I'm overwhelmed by the crowds of people who surround the track cheering on survivors like myself. It reminds me that I'm not alone in my fight against cancer."

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BIRTHS

Emily Marie Potter weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces was born Aug. 1, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Suzanna Dugan and Nick Potter of East Jordan. Her sibling is Mackenzie Potter. Her grandparents are June and Pete Lewis of East Jordan and Geri and Nick Potter of Central Lake.

Adelaide Kaylyn Wiers weighing 9 pounds, 5 ounces was born July 31, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Aaron and Candice Wiers of Charlevoix. Her grandparents are Kraag and Cyndie Lieberman of Charlevoix and Roger and Sheryl Wiers of Chicago. Her great-grandparents are Betty Duerkson of Mancelona and Howard and Leah Seplage of Muskegon.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Cody Michael Anderson, 19, Boyne City. Larceny in a building-probation violation; attempted home invasion-third degree. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for 314 days in jail; continue on probation.

Scott Allan Louiselle, 44, Charlevoix. Receiving and concealing stolen property of \$1,000 or more but less than \$20,000. Sentenced to 270 days in jail with credit for 23 days in jail; to serve 270 days in jail; \$188 in fines and costs.

Laura Lynne Patton, 42, East Jordan. Attempted embezzlement by an agent or trustee of \$1,000 or more but less than \$20,000. Sentenced to 45 days in jail with credit for one day in jail; to serve 45 days in jail; \$15,478 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES
The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Dr. Kristen Ricks McClure, D.C., 1422 South Bridge St., Charlevoix, by Kristen Ricks McClure.

Dan Farrow Creative Design, 526 North Lake St., #99, Boyne City, by Dan Farrow.

Joe Shear Services, 249 Blue Water Trail, Boyne City, by Joseph Shear.

Cherry Hill Express Tracking Co., 03084 Cherry Hill Road, Boyne Falls, by Joseph Martin Elzinga Sr.

Lifelinks, 217 Belvedere Ave., Charlevoix, by Wachler Ultimate Expressions Co.

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Shane Joseph Tison, 23 and Rachael Kimberly Bennett, 25, both from Boyne City.

Jeffrey Lee Fannin, 27 and Danielle Renee Looze, 34, both of Boyne City.

Guy Robert Kenny Jr., 39 and Christa Anne Marsh, 31, both of Charlevoix.

William Eugene Phillips, 50 and Michelle Marie Mayer, 38, both of Charlevoix.

Louis Patrick Mettler, 64 and Lon Gene Markgraf, 50, both of Charlevoix.

John Edward O'Halloran V., 34 and Katrina Marie Martin, 39, East Jordan.

Abram Russle Roisen, 19 and Trisha Kay Wood, 17,



Fundraising

Charlevoix Area Hospital and Crooked Tree Arts Center have teamed up for a unique fundraising project with the publication of a new book, "Crossings, A Journey Through Northern Michigan History" written by Charlevoix resident and Crooked Tree Arts Center board member, **Patti Aikin** and illustrated by area artists, the tale leads the reader on an exploration of the area through the eyes of a young boy. A book launch and reception will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital. The books will be on sale that night and the author and artists will be in attendance to sign books. The original artwork will be offered for sale, as well as limited edition prints. The book will be available at local retailers after Aug. 25 throughout Charlevoix and Emmet counties for \$35 each. For a complete list of retail locations and to purchase the book online go to www.crookodtree.org or www.cah.org. For more information about the book launch and the project call Crooked Tree Arts Center 347-4337 or Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation, 547-8501. This original artwork is by Glen McCune of Boyne City. Courtesy photo

both of Boyne City.
William Stout Cheslock, 54 and Susan Elizabeth Zank, 53, both of St. Marys, Ohio.
Joseph Benjamin Ferguson, 26 and Leah May Wilbur, 21, both of Charlevoix.
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and Sydney Kristine Curran, 28, both of El Prado, New Mexico.

Eric Dane Jaqua, 24, East Jordan and **Christin Lynne Nelson**, 23, Boyne Falls.

Nicholas James Carrow, 28 and **Ashley Amber Hadix**, 25, both of Boyne City.

Michael Avery Munak, 27 and **Andrea Beth Claypoole**, 27, both of Baltimore, Md.

Christopher Adam Jones, 25 and **Danielle Dawn Johnson**, 20, both of Boyne City.

J. Charles Holbrook, 29 and **Melissa Jo Helsley**, 31, both of Boyne City.

Joshua Edward Smithburg, 24 and **Megan Rae Molter**, 25, both of Charlevoix.

Zachary Edward Bajos, 25 and **Leah Ruth Edmondson**, 21, both of Charlevoix.

DIVORCES

The following people were recently granted Judgments of Divorce in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County:

Michelle Ann Kent vs. **Michael Alan Kent**.

Lora Lee Vincent vs. **James Garner Vincent**.

BICYCLE ACCIDENT

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a motor vehicle versus bicycle/personal injury crash on July 29.

The crash occurred on Camp Daggett Road near Church Road, Bay Township. The driver of the motor vehicle, 44 year old Reginald Longworth of Boyne City was traveling southbound on Camp Daggett Road just south of Church Road when he crested a hill and came upon 12 year old Christopher Susott of Zionsville, Indiana, riding a bicycle also Southbound on Camp

Daggett Road. The driver of the motor vehicle was unable to avoid the Susott and side-swiped him causing him to fall from his bicycle. The driver of the bicycle was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital by Boyne City EMS with a broken leg. The driver of the motor vehicle was also transported by Boyne City EMS to Northern Michigan Hospital to be checked out. Limited sight distance is thought to be a contributing factor of the crash.

VESSEL DAMAGED

During early morning hours of Sunday, Aug. 2, a resident on Glenwood Beach reported damage to a neighbor's dock, hoist and vessel. Vessel was damaged severely enough that it had begun to sink and in high waves broke loose from the hoist and began floating free in Lake Charlevoix. Marine

Deputies responded to the scene assisted by the Coast Guard to secure the vessel. The vessel could not be towed as it took on too much water. Tow Boat U.S. began recovery efforts to remove the vessel from the Lake. The vessel was a total loss at \$45,000 in damage.

The witness thought they had heard a noise around 2 a.m. but they weren't sure of the exact time. The vessel, dock and hoist were damaged so severely that it was thought that the striking vessel must have been damaged severely as well and could have easily sunk nearby.

The Charlevoix County Dive Team was called to perform a perimeter search of the Lake's bottom. No vessel was found in the search area.

If you have any information on this Hit and run boating accident, you are asked to call

911 or the Charlevoix county Sheriff's Office at 547-4461 and ask to speak with Lt. David Beyer or Marine Deputy Brian Brachel. The case remains under investigation.

AUTO ACCIDENT

A two-vehicle auto crash at approximately 5:20 p.m. sent two people to Charlevoix Area Hospital on Friday Aug. 7.

Charlevoix Township Fire Chief Curt Thompson said a man driving a red Ford compact car and a woman driving a Jeep collided at the intersection of US-31 and Boyne City-Charlevoix Road in Charlevoix Township.

"The injuries appeared to be moderate," Thompson said. "But, we don't do the EMS work, so it's hard to be certain."

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded and was assisted by Charlevoix

Township Fire Department, Charlevoix City Police and the Charlevoix City Fire Department which brought the jaws of life.

The jaws were used to remove 69-year-old Judith Binstadt of Charlevoix from a Jeep.

Binstadt had been traveling north on US-31 when 17-year-old Andrew Scholey of Charlevoix pulled out in front of her from Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.

Scholey received lacerations to his face and minor abrasions to his right leg and arm, and he complained of chest pain.

Binstadt received injuries to her right leg and left shoulder.

Both roads were closed to through-traffic for nearly an hour with the road reopening at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Both cars were damaged beyond repair.

Commission shoulders bike path

Road commission supports path along shoulder of Boyne City-Charlevoix Road

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REPORTER

BOYNE CITY — Citing uncertainty about its legal standing on road easements, the Charlevoix County Road Commission is recommending that extra-wide shoulders be substituted for a dedicated bike path proposed along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.

In a letter to county planner Larry Sullivan, signed at their regular semi-monthly meeting Monday, the commission wrote, "Road commission finds it advisable to support right-of-way usage for non-motorized purposes only along paved shoulders of the road to be reconstructed along this route."

For years, county officials have been pursuing a non-motorized path along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, and recently had requested the road commission's support for constructing the path separate from the road with in the 99-foot road right-of-way that runs most of the road's length.

However recently, several property owners along the road have objected to the bike path's construction saying

ing it would infringe on their property rights and property values.

After some research at the county register of deeds office, some property owners discovered what appears to be a trump card: In the 1950s, when the road commission obtained additional rights-of-way to realign the road, many, if not all of those right-of-way releases included a restriction that the county was allowed to use the land only for "highway purposes."

At Monday's meeting road commission attorney Joel Wurster said his research has shown that whether a bike path constitutes a "highway use" could be argued either way.

"Arguments can be made that such a use is within the scope of the conveyance. However, some Michigan courts have taken a narrower view of the scope of conveyances such as this. Therefore, the road commission cannot be assured

that such a plan would be free from potentially legitimate judicial challenges in involving properties along a significant portion of this right-of-way," the letter reads.

"The road commission strives to do its best with limited resources to provide transportation facilities for the general public. In this instance, it does not believe that it is in the best interest to pursue a course of action that would lead to a significant controversy over the legal basis for the location of the path as previously proposed."

Sullivan, who was at Monday's meeting indicated as much as half of the approximately \$1 million in non-motorized trail grant money the county has been pursuing for the project might not be available if the path is created using the widened road shoulder approach.

But for now, that's the direction the road commission is headed.

Road commission manager Pat Harmon said Monday, based on a recent recommendation from county's road millage steering committee, the road commission will seek bids to reconstruct a 2.74-mile section of Boyne City-Charlevoix Road from Nelson to Sumner roads. The goal, Harmon said, is to have the project completely bid out yet this year so that work can begin at the start of next year's construction season.

The bid documents will include a 34-foot wide roadway to accommodate bike lanes on the shoulders at an estimated cost of about \$1.2 million. Harmon said the road commission hopes to obtain some non-motorized grant money to offset the cost of the extra-wide pavement — about \$300,000.

The final say on both the bike path location and the expenditure of the millage money will lie with the county board of commissioners.

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Lying fishermen

My brother-in-law supposes as a first principle that, to quote him directly, "All Fishermen Lie."

My personal observations mostly tend to confirm his judgment.

This raises a couple of questions. Why do fishermen lie, what to they lie about and what sorts of lies to they tell?

I must confess at the beginning that, as a fisherman, I participate fully in the prevarication.

There are lies while fishing and lies after fishing.



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

They are mostly lies of omission rather than lies of commission.

There are lies about other fishermen and, of course, lies about fish.

Beginning with the lies about fishermen, they commonly fall into the category of unwarranted applause.

To other fishermen, every fisherman is a great fisherman. Or at worst a really good fisherman.

It is sort of like calling Sean Hannity on the radio and his greeting you as a "great American."

Which you must reciprocate by calling Mr. Hannity another "great American."

It's a mostly harmless lie both about the other fisherman.

The lies of omission are often accomplished by being less than completely forthcoming about what has occurred.

When you raise one finger (ides finger) to the questioning look from someone in a passing boat, you omit any specific information about what kind or how big that one was.

The occupant of the other boat, knowing that you are a great fisherman, will assume the best for you.

Just a borderline lie, really, hardly worth mentioning. Lies about fish are by far the most common sort.

Adding a pound or two or a few inches to the fish is almost taken for granted, especially if the fish is already in filets and can no longer be measured accurately.

My fish is bigger than your fish is an important sort of claim, and if it must be bolstered with an incontestable fib, so be it.

As to why fishermen lie: that is a more difficult question. I have concluded, that at base, the cause is a form of envy.

The dictionary definition of envy doesn't completely apply.

According to Webster, envy is, "resentful awareness of an advantage enjoyed by another, accompanied by a desire to possess the same advantage."

Fishermen are not generally resentful, but they most certainly desire to possess what the other fisherman has, even if he has lied about its magnitude.

Fisherman's envy, then, is not the usual sort, and I would propose that it be given a slightly different sense.

I suppose we could just call it fisherman's envy, but a psychological condition desires something more erudite using the Latin designation for fish we could call it piscatorial envy. Or if French might be preferred, it could be designated Poissonal envy.

Freud focused mostly on other human activities and did not comment on this specific sort of envy.

He did refer frequently to several related and similar sounding forms of the disorder.

I suspect that he knew about piscatorial envy and the web of small lies that it promotes, and I'm pretty sure he was not a fisherman.

WEEKLY POLL

Should homeowners have a say in whether their house is designated a historic property?

Yes (68 Votes, 82%)
No (15 Votes, 18%)

This week's poll question:
Did this summer's unseasonable weather have much impact on tourism and business?

Positive Negative
Not much at all

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Midnight in the garden of exercise and cheesecake

Some find it cathartic and invigorating to break a sweat. I find it vaguely repugnant. But over the years it became apparent, even to me, that a body bereft of some sort of maintenance will eventually succumb to the ravages of time and cheesecake.

By the time I reached this epiphany, a physical fitness mania had exploded upon our cultural landscape. No



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwilt

longer were the employees at Jack LaLane's perfectly coiffed girls in black leotards, teetering on high heels and demonstrating toe-touches to a handful of oddball neophytes. Now they were perfectly coiffed girls in sweatbands and leg warmers, leading a burgeoning roomful of disciples through routines so complicated and difficult to execute as to require a resume including a stint with Twyla Tharp.

I took up aerobics. I planted myself in the back row and flailed away to the theme music from "Flashdance" in a fuzzy approximation of the initiated.

No matter how many classes I attended I could never achieve any semblance of expertise.

And that was the problem. No one would mistake me for a zealot, but I do expect to improve with practice, and that progress is my impetus to continue.

I did manage stick to it for longer than I would have predicted, but I hated every minute of it. I never reached the fabled plateau where a second wind would boost me to a new level of competence.

I couldn't seem to embrace the "no pain, no gain" concept with the enthusiasm displayed by the rest of the class.

It was a torturous ordeal that left me toned, but queasy. Only the cool-down and the part where I'd walk back to my car, blissful in the knowledge that it was over, kept me going.

Who knows when I drifted away from the herd.

One week I was attending classes almost daily and the next week I was in a cafe, drinking wine and eating ravioli in cream sauce, engaged in cerebral discourse with fascinating, albeit flabby, friends and loosening my waistband.

Those were the good times. And my hard work at the gym bought me a brief but blissful sabbatical in which to indulge my true nature.

But it didn't last long. When I reluctantly considered the repercussions of continued indolence, I allowed that aerobics would not be an option this time.

Like a bad boyfriend who had worn me to the point of apathy, our relationship was over.

I embraced and then quickly abandoned the next phase of endeavor, which involved a bicycle in harrowing combination with urban traffic. Pilates was excruciating. Jogging was akin to public exhibitionism. Free weights were so...so heavy.

My flair for sitting cross-legged led me to yoga.

I was beguiled by the slow, graceful postures and the absence of beat-heavy disco music. An instructor who whispered instructions was divine respite from the shrieking cheerleaders who led the aerobics classes.

Although I try, my wandering western mind resists the spiritual discipline of yoga. Except for a vacuous period in mid-1971, I don't think that it's ever been empty enough to serve as a vessel for significant enlightenment. But I enjoy the physical challenge and the moderation, and I'm encouraged by this.

My priorities are different now. I'm not worried about squeezing into a mini skirt, but I'd like to preserve the capacity to sneeze without triggering back spasms.

I hope to continue to clip my toenails well into my golden years and I understand that flexibility is key to keeping this dream alive.

I will never again be as young as I am today, but who cares?

As long as I retain the resilience to bend and lift the cheesecake from the bottom shelf of the refrigerator, I'm happy.

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This is a painful awareness for us and countless others who knew and loved her.

We were introduced to Edith shortly after we moved to Michigan Avenue, although she had long known members of both our families.

My wife Julie's parents, Marjorie Fisher and the late Max, had known Edith since the 1950s and whenever they came to Charlevoix to visit, they enjoyed reminiscing with Edith about past experiences and people they had known in common.

For about 10 years in the 1950s and 1960s, my late uncle Nathan owned a home on Lake Charlevoix, off the Boyne City Road.

He and Edith knew each other well. Nathan passed away in 1987. Ten years later, our elder grandson was born and was named after Nathan.

The first summer young Nathan came to Charlevoix, Edith presented his parents with a scrapbook she had assembled

of pictures and news clippings about the late Nathan and correspondence she had exchanged with him.

This is the kind of thing Edith was good at doing—wonderful at doing—connecting people and connecting the past to the present.

No one connected people better than did Edith.

A large group we know and count as friends in Charlevoix, we met first through her.

My wife Julie always refers to Edith as her "fairy godmother," the person who took us under her wing here and became a curious blend of aunt and mother and friend.

More mysterious to me was her way of connecting the past to the present. She seemed to come from a time and place where manners and etiquette counted for more, almost as if, at some point earlier in her life, she had

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Bible, a manual for life

The Bible is full of guidance on how to handle anger, but I am always drawn first to Paul's caution about anger in Ephesians 4:26.

Be angry, Paul said, but make sure it doesn't lead to sin.

Paul acknowledges what we all know. Being angry, that strong feeling of irritation and displeasure, is part of being alive.

Studies show that the average person becomes angry eight to ten times each day.

Anger is normal, common, and human, and represents one choice among many for responding to all that is frustrating and beyond our control.

Anger, I would argue, is a God-given emotion just like fear, and is part of our emotional tool kit. Just as God wired us with the good sense to be afraid of what will harm us, He also built into us the capacity to become angry.

Each emotion involves a release of adrenaline that stimulates us to action.

There is an anger that leads to sin, but there is a lot good about anger.

Anger can be very helpful in regulating society.

For example, many of our laws designed to protect the innocent and helpless are motivated by the anger we feel when their safety is violated.

Who does not get angry at the thought of a child molested or an old woman mugged?

Anger can also help form social bonds that otherwise would never happen.

In Sept. 2001 anger against Arab terrorists united our nation.

Activists use anger as a catalyst for social change.

After all, had the good men of Boston not gotten angry over the tea tax we'd still be Brits.

Anger also helps regulate relationships. When we become angry we demand others listen to us, and we use the opportunity to communicate what we might otherwise never get off our chests.

In fact, the ability to get angry is essential to our self-esteem. When we feel attacked, or when we believe we have been the victim of injustice, we become angry enough to defend ourselves. When we are ignored, dismissed, patronized, or talked down to it is our anger that demands respect.

Anger can also be a motivator to change our personal situation for the better. I have a friend who was very good at his job, but was frustrated working for a boss who was an idiot. He realized one day that the sole reason this other guy was the boss was because he had a college degree. My friend recognized that hard work, competence, and responsibility were not enough, and that without that college degree he was always going to be working for



FAITHFUL SERVANT
Stephen Guthrie

someone who knew less than he did. Three years of hard work later my friend was on his way to a brighter future as a boss with a degree of his own.

I try to help my clients see the healthy way to handle anger is to direct all that energy into positive change. That involves four simple steps.

First we experience the anger and recognize it for what it is. We don't give into it or allow it to control us. We exercise our will to impose our intellect to rule over our emotions.

Second, we take time to study the situation until we understand the source of our anger. We identify that situation, person, or system that has to change.

Third, we establish a healthy goal designed to solve the problem.

Finally, we stay angry enough, and long enough, to see the solution through to the

end.

My friend with the idiot boss used this healthy approach. He exercised control over the anger he felt, and did not simply explode in frustration. Although the inept boss seemed to be the problem, the actual source was a system in place at his employer that valued a college degree more than competence. Then he defined a healthy goal to address the problem. He followed through for years by staying just angry enough to remain focused on completing his plan.

The Bible speaks to real-life problems we all experience. It offers good examples of how to manage anger, as well as examples of how it can lead to sin. That's where we'll pick up in the next column.

Steve Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix.

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Both grew up in the heyday of Hollywood.

They were from different generations but connected like lifelong friends.

Leonard was captivated; no surprise there.

We noticed that her energy was flagging a bit, but the twinkle in

her eye remained undimmed.

At the end of the evening Julie insisted I escort Edith home, just a few doors down, but Edith would have none of it, the independent spirit flashing.

She could make it home fine on her own, she said. And so she did.

GUEST commentary In appreciation of Charlevoix's 'Grand Dame'

This guest commentary was written by summer Charlevoix resident Peter Cummings.

As summer residents, my wife and I think longingly about Charlevoix for the better part of eight or nine months a year.

The sequence unfolds like this: we think about our home, where we are now enjoying our 18th summer; we think about our street, Michigan Avenue; and then we think about Edith, sitting on her porch across the street from our home, entertaining someone who was strolling by and had stopped to chat.

That sequence will probably continue to unfold in our minds forever, although we know Edith will not be on that porch next season.

This is a painful awareness for us and countless others who knew and loved her.

Letters to the editor

Rainbow: Good job

Editor:
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Architect of artistry builds worlds

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

On July 20, The New York Innovative Theatre (IT) Awards announced their nominees for significant artistic contribution to the Off-Broadway community.

Caleb Levensgood, a 1999 graduate of Charlevoix High School, was selected for consideration for his set design on the 2008 production, "Angel Eaters Trilogy," presented by the Flux Theatre Ensemble.

"I always have had an innate attraction to live theater," Levensgood said. "I can't really say what sparked it, but theatre was always something that fascinated me. I first participated in theatre activities in the Charlevoix school system. I was heavily involved in Connie Ford's Performing Arts program in my years in high school, participating in almost every event that was offered. I actually did some of my first scenic designs for our yearly 'Big Show' musicals."

She added, "I remember working on designing scenery for our productions of 'Isle of Tears' and 'Oklahoma.'"

Upon graduating from high school, Levensgood attended the University of Michigan before receiving a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of California in San Diego. "It's one of the top programs in the country for theatre design, and San Diego is actually home to some great theatre," said Levensgood, "like the La Jolla Playhouse and the Old Globe Theatre. But inevitably, I really jump into the professional design world, I had to go where much of theater begins—New York City."

Director Jerry Ruiz, a friend from grad school, introduced Levensgood to the "Angel Eaters Trilogy" project, three connected plays concerning multi-generations of a family with the arguable gift of resurrecting the dead.

"This was a trilogy of plays by one playwright, but three very different tales, revolving around one grand, and very interesting idea," Levensgood

said. "I was attracted to the physical space that these shows could inhabit and the environment that these stories needed to be visually told on stage."

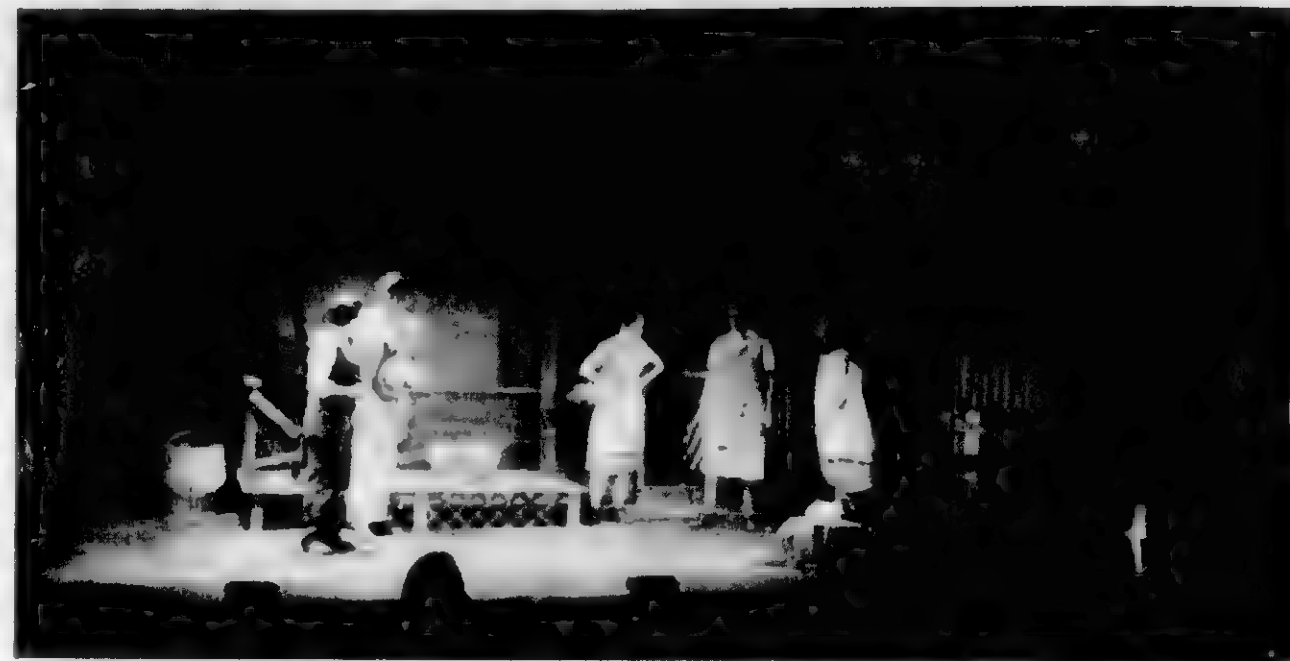
He added, "A set is not only a backdrop for a story, but more so a world it can inhabit. And discovering that for these shows is what was fun about designing all three of these in the trilogy together."

Levensgood acted in various productions before and during his early work in set design. "I did a bit (of acting) in high school, and a few acting classes in college," he said. "But that passion for acting never really hit me as hard as others around me, and I realized I loved visualizing a play or a story better. Imagining what kind of world this play could take place in was incredibly interesting to me."

The competitive arena of professional theater offers a challenge for artists trying to break into the business.

"Flux Theatre Ensemble is a very interesting and hard working Off-Broadway company here in New York City," Levensgood said. "There are some very dedicated young theater artists involved in their productions, and hopefully they have a great future."

He added, "In general, it is pretty difficult for small companies to thrive and grow, but



The set of "Angel Eaters" the play was designed by local Caleb Levensgood.

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Polar Bears premier; film honors sacrifice

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

She made parts of Charlevoix County look like early 1900s northern Russia

And, before her documentary on the Michigan soldiers dubbed "Polar Bears" goes to PBS, there will be a special premiere in Charlevoix County.

"I'm very excited for everybody to see it," said writer/director Pamela Peak.

Peak, whose grandfather was a Polar Bear, began working on the movie in 2007.

"There were a lot of diaries to sort through—a lot of things to read and really find who told the story best," she said. "What amazed me was they really did tell the same stories. I read hundreds of diaries. It was like I was able to piece together this huge puzzle and come up with what now is the film."

Peak's two-hour movie follows the adventure of a group of soldiers who were sent to Archangel, Russia at the end of World War I to quell the Bolshevik uprising.



"This select group of 5,500 American soldiers was largely from Michigan and some surrounding states because they were hardened by the Michigan winters," she said. "They got up there (Archangel) and 60 days after...World War I ended. They think they're going home, but the British really thought they could wipe out the communists—that's what the Bolsheviks were, the first communists—but our guys were outnumbered and starving in this savage land."

Some of the soldiers grew so hungry on their meager

rations they began eating bark.

"And, they didn't have proper medical attention," Peak said. "They were doing amputations with pocket knives—these guys were really tough."

She added, "I have cried so many times since I wrote this, sitting here in California on the floor of my study, reading what these guys wrote about their experience."

The movie gets its name "Voices of a Never Ending Dawn" because the soldiers were in Russia during the time of year when it was nearly dusk all the time.

"They got iced in so no mail could get in or out, they thought they had been forgotten and they didn't know if it was day or night," Peak said. "About 300 of them died. Some died of flu and many died on the battlefield."

She added, "Despite all these odds and thinking they were forgotten, they were so heroic standing up for each other and the principle of freedom."

Peak said the movie is ap-

propriate for all ages and will appeal to different things in different generations.

"It's a documentary, but it's a tear-jerker," she said. "It's as much an anti-war film as it is a film about war—no stance is taken, I just told the story and allow the audience to decide."

There is no cost to attend the movie at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center at Boyne City High School, 1035 Boyne Ave. in Boyne City.

However, donations are appreciated.

"We would truly appreciate any donations as we will be splitting them with the Boyne City Library to help fund the Veterans Memorial Park," Peak said.

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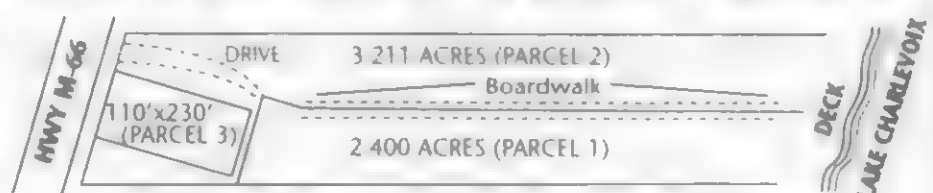
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Writers Group
Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and other new ideas.

Henna Tattoos for Teens
Wednesday August 19th @ 6:00 pm
Come to the library and express yourself with an all-natural temporary Henna Tattoo. Henna is an all-natural skin dye and does wear off.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library
Wednesdays August 12 @ 7:00 pm
Special Guest Level Jackson and Chris Buckley will be on hand playing songs from the "Birth of the Blues." Bring your own chair and enjoy an evening of jazz in Grandma's.

Story Time w/ Ms. Laura
Thursdays @ 10:30 am (ages birth through age 5)
Play "The Laura Says," learn names, music and learn fingerplays with friends and family.

Pewabic Pottery
Janesdays August 14th @ 10:00 am
Meet author Mary Heller Fisher for a unique opportunity as she shares stories from her book "Pewabic Pottery Treasures." Work alongside her and the youth staff to create your own pottery.

A Century of Pewabic Pottery in Michigan
Tuesday August 18th @ 6:00 pm
Mary Heller Fisher the author, will be on hand for a visual feast of photographs documenting the historic and contemporary Treasures of Pewabic Pottery in Michigan.

Exhibit: Michigan Quilt Artists
Invitational Traveling Exhibit through August 31
View the quilts in "The Art of Quilts" 10 years theme in this unique traveling show.

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Wednesday August 19th @ 6:00 pm
Come to the library and learn how to use Twitter, Facebook, and more! If your children and grandchildren seem to be talking a different language, come to this class and learn what the fuss is all about. Registration required. 231-5440.

Northern Michigan Textile Artists
Wednesday August 19th @ 6:00 pm
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OBITUARIES

Esther Marie Livingston: Nov. 4, 1928 - Aug. 4, 2009

Esther Marie Livingston passed away at her daughter's home in Lakeland, Florida on Aug. 4, 2009 at the age of 80. Esther was born in Northville, Michigan to Lester and Margaret M. Harwood on November 4, 1928. She spent most of her early years in and around Norwood, attending school there and in Charlevoix. Esther worked at Charlevoix Hospital as a nurse's aide as a teenager. Later she attended Northwestern Michigan College and became

a Licensed Practical Nurse, a profession she enjoyed until her retirement.

In May of 1946 she married Robert B. Livingston and they resided and worked in Charlevoix and the surrounding area.

For the past 25 years, Esther has resided in Florida, most recently in Zephyrhills. She has maintained her friendships with many Charlevoix residents that now live or winter there.

Survivors include her sons, Bruce (Denise) Livingston of

Olympia, Wash.; Don (Pam) Livingston of Holt, Michigan; daughters Lenore (Michael) Hagins of Lakeland, Fla.; and Lynette (Michael) Webb of Charlevoix; her brothers, Stan (Angie) Harwood of Standish, Michigan and Clare (Mary Beth) Harwood of Lowell, Michigan; brother-in-law, David Livingston of Grand Rapids, Michigan; sister-in-law Lee Harwood of Sarasota, Fla. and sister-in-law Estelle Livingston (Ralph) Hahn of Sun City West, Ariz.; and 11

grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Esther was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Robert Livingston in 1984, and her brother Floyd Harwood in 1998.

A graveside service is being planned for a later date at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix and a celebration of her life is being planned by family and friends. Esther was a lifelong member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix.

Marvin Lee Molasky: Nov. 19, 1927 - Aug. 8, 2009

Marvin Lee Molasky, 81, of Charlevoix, MI and formerly of West Bloomfield, MI, died peacefully Aug. 8, 2009 in Charlevoix.

Marvin was born November 19, 1927 in St. Louis, Mo., the son of Stanley and Sayde (Zucker) Molasky.

He grew up in Clayton, Mo., graduating from Clayton High School in 1945. He attended the University of Illinois at Urbana, later transferring to the Washington University of St. Louis, and graduating with a degree in Business.

Marvin married his first wife, Nancy Shuart, in 1948. He was drafted into the Marine Corps in 1952 and served

honorably in El Toro, Calif. for two years.

They moved to western Michigan where Marvin ran Fleishman Pickle Company.

Marvin and Nancy settled in West Bloomfield where Marvin worked as a Senior Vice President for Merrill Lynch for 26 years. Nancy preceded Marvin in death in 1987.

Marvin married Berta (Tauber) Meyerson in 1990. They lived in Birmingham and West Bloomfield for a number of years, and recently moved to Charlevoix.

Marvin was an active member of the Charlevoix Kiwanis, Washington University Alumni Association, the Marine Corps League and Temple B'nai Israel in Petoskey.

He was an avid traveler and bridge player.

He enjoyed reading, business and especially baseball. His favorite teams were the

St. Louis Cardinals and the Detroit Tigers and was especially perplexed as to whom he should root for in the 2006 World Series.

Marvin is survived by his spouse Berta Molasky, his sister Doris Fishman of Missouri, Diane Molasky of Florida, his brother-in-law Joel Tauber, his four step-children: Benjamin and Nicole (Dewey) Meyerson, Valerie Meyerson and Thomas Johnson, Joshua and Mary Jean (Mund) Meyerson and Emily Meyerson and Harry Kitchen of Petoskey, and five grandchildren: Amanda Kitchen, Jeremiah and Anne Johnson and Max and Gabriel

Meyerson of Petoskey.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents Stanley and Sayde Molasky, his brother Fred Molasky and his first wife, Nancy (Shuart) Molasky.

A service will be held at the Chapel at Beth Abraham Cemetery, Ferndale at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13, and a memorial service at 1 p.m. on Sunday Aug. 16 at Temple B'nai Israel of Petoskey.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be directed to the Kiwanis Club of Charlevoix, PO Box 275, Charlevoix MI 49720 or a charity of your choice.

Ilse R. Perry: April 17, 1926 - Aug. 5, 2009

Ilse R. Perry, 83, of Charlevoix, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2009, with her family at her side.

She was born in Germany on April 17, 1926, to Herbert and Charlotte Engart, and moved to the United States as a young woman.

She will be missed by her daughters, Kathie Whitley, and Sabrina (Todd) Luft; her three

grandchildren, Amy (Patrick) McKeown, Alicia Whitley, and Dustin Duicher, and her five great-grandchildren all of Charlevoix.

Ilse's longtime companion, Doug Russell preceded her in death on August 30, 2003.

A private service is planned. The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

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Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Church Office 547-4430

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Church School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Pastor: Michael Maurer 536-2851

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Worship 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff

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Rev. Michael L. Hoescher 547-9446

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Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5711

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Calling All Bargain Hunters

Sidewalk Sale Season is quickly approaching! Starting Thursday, August 13th through August 15th, merchants will be taking their wares to the sidewalks. So while you stroll the streets, you will also have the chance to choose your merchandise! Whether you are searching for the perfect pair of jeans, shoes, picture frame, book, or if you're just in the mood to shop, there is something for everyone and you won't want to miss it!



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It's Tee Time!

Registration is now open for the 2009 Chamber Golf Outing! It will be held on Friday, August 28th from 1 to 6pm at the Belvedere Golf Club. The outing will begin with a bang at 1pm with a shotgun start. Sign up for a sun-filled afternoon of networking and prize-winning opportunities. New this year, the dinner and awards ceremony will follow at the golf course!

August Business After Hours

Looking for something to do from 5 to 8pm on Thursday, August 13th? If so, come check out Business After Hours hosted by Dunmaglas Golf Club. It will be an excellent opportunity to network in addition to practicing your swing for the Chamber Golf Outing! Special savings will be offered to Chamber members the entire day of the event, August 13th -18 holes for \$49 (a \$30 savings) or 9 holes for \$25 (a \$15 savings). We hope to see you there!



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Aug. 13	Challenge Mountain Golf Outing
Aug. 13	Business After Hours @ Dunmaglas Golf Club
Aug. 13-15	Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales
Aug. 15	1st Annual Hollywood Charity Ball at the Charlevoix Golf & Country Club
Aug. 15-16	Charlevoix Relay For Life
Aug. 20	Chamber Ambassador Meeting
Aug. 22	Char-Em United Way "Stuff the Bus"
Aug. 28	Charlevoix Chamber Golf Outing

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Erika is graduate of Aquinas College with a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Art.

Erika is Assistant Man-

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Patrick is graduate of Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Planning and Environmental Conservation.

Patrick is an Environmental Scientist with AECOM of Marquette, Michigan.



Patrick Michael Kilkenny, Erika Kristel Kammermann

Bajos - Edmondson

Ed and Laurie Bajos of Charlevoix are announcing the engagement of their son, Zachary Edward Bajos, to Leah Ruth Edmondson, daughter of Lynn and Sharon Edmondson of Gerald, Mo.

The groom-elect is a 2002 graduate of Charlevoix High

School and is employed by Bajos Building, Inc., in Charlevoix.

His fiancée is a 2006 graduate of Gasconade County R-II High School in Owensville, Mo. She is currently in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Leah and Zachary are planning a fall 2009 wedding.



Zachary Edward Bajos, Leah Ruth Edmondson



Michael Kochanny, Kimberly Phillips

Phillips - Kochanny

Kimberly Phillips of Harbor Springs and Michael Kochanny of Charlevoix are announcing their engagement to be married on Dec. 12, 2009.

Their parents are Tim and Karen Kochanny of Charlevoix, John and Debra Phillips of Harbor Springs and Sandra and Bryan Burley of Harbor Springs.

The wedding will take place in St. Francis Church Petoskey

and the reception will be held at Birchwood Country Club in Harbor Springs.

The Bride-elect and Groom-elect both are Michigan State University graduates with Masters degrees in Accounting. They are both CPA's with Deloitte in Detroit.

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Erika is graduate of Aquinas College with a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Art.

Erika is Assistant Man-

ager and Artistic Floral Designer of Garden Bouquet and Design of Marquette, Michigan.

Patrick is graduate of Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Planning and Environmental Conservation.

Patrick is an Environmental Scientist with AECOM of Marquette, Michigan.



Patrick Michael Kilkenny, Erika Kristel Kammermann

Bajos - Edmondson

Ed and Laurie Bajos of Charlevoix are announcing the engagement of their son, Zachary Edward Bajos, to Leah Ruth Edmondson, daughter of Lynn and Sharon Edmondson of Gerald, Mo.

The groom-elect is a 2002 graduate of Charlevoix High

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His fiancée is a 2006 graduate of Gasconade County R-II High School in Owensville, Mo. She is currently in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Leah and Zachary are planning a fall 2009 wedding.



Zachary Edward Bajos, Leah Ruth Edmondson



Michael Kochanny, Kimberly Phillips

Phillips - Kochanny

Kimberly Phillips of Harbor Springs and Michael Kochanny of Charlevoix are announcing their engagement to be married on Dec. 12, 2009.

Their parents are Tim and Karen Kochanny of Charlevoix, John and Debra Phillips of Harbor Springs and Sandra and Bryan Burley of Harbor Springs.

The wedding will take place in St. Francis Church Petoskey

and the reception will be held at Birchwood Country Club in Harbor Springs.

The Bride-elect and Groom-elect both are Michigan State University graduates with Masters degrees in Accounting. They are both CPA's with Deloitte in Detroit.

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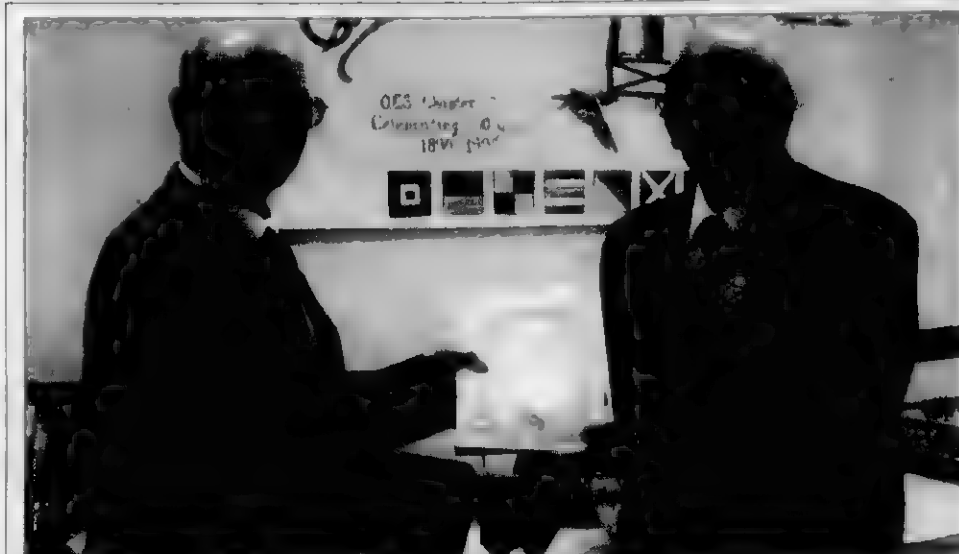
The Charlevoix Police Department in conjunction with the Charlevoix Kiwanis club are trying to reach out to local youth through a program called Positive Enforcement. Our local officers have been equipped with rewards such as candy bars, food coupons, movie tickets, and tickets to our local parks and recreational facilities, to hand out to teens that are "caught" doing something positive in the community. They are trying to encourage teens to use their manners, follow the law, and be safe while spending the rest of their summertime, as well as to improve police relations and develop rapport with our young adults.

Rewards will be randomly handed out to teens who are "caught" doing things such as wearing helmets while biking

or skateboarding, walking their bikes downtown instead of riding them, putting their trash in dumpsters instead of littering, doing good deeds, and numerous other examples.

A local citizen contacted the police department with the idea for the program, and offered a monetary donation to get it started. The Kiwanis Club offered their assistance to develop the program and we are hoping to start soon.

We are asking for donations from any person or business interested in helping with the rewards program. We are also open to volunteers and community input. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the program or making a donation or contribution, please contact the Charlevoix Police Department at 547-3258.



Mason of the year

Frank Rathjens, current Worshipful Master presents past master Ervin Barrett with the Mason of the Year Award during the Charlevoix Mason Lodge #282's July meeting.

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Wednesday, August 12, 2009

LETTERS to the editor

Pet store, please

Editor:

Pets can't live that good of lives in make-shift homes for long. That's why I think we should have a pet store in downtown Charlevoix.

The average citizen of Charlevoix spends ten to twenty dollars driving to Potoskey or Traverse City to get pet supplies. If we have one in town, we could save money to get more or better pet supplies for our pets. Sometimes after buying something from the pet store people could say, "Oh, I might as well buy some things from that store also." So stores nearby could get money also.

You've probably driven by downtown so you should know what I mean when I say we have a lot of clothing stores and such, which are going out of business because of the too many of the same ideas for business. Like I said, we have a lot of space where poor businesses had to shut down, so that would be even better so we don't have to waste money building it. Another reason is that it could become so successful that it opens a whole chain of new pet stores. That would attract more people for more business because people would want to see the store that started it all right here in the small town of Charlevoix.

Speaking from experience, I've heard about and seen articles about people who bought a pet but, didn't have the correct supplies for the animal. Sadly the pet got medical problems. Sometimes the reason can also be because they didn't have a pet store nearby.

so they had to make do with an old smelly, house with rust and with holes for example. Some pets also can gain weight or lose weight because they don't have the proper food.

In conclusion, it would be in your best interest to try and get a pet store here in the little town with a big heart, Charlevoix, MI.

Brendan A. Gregory
 Sixth-grade, Charlevoix Middle School

Thanks, Courier

Editor:

Thank-you for (Charlevoix Courier's) support of the Circle of Arts "Gallery Gallop."

This was the first year for this Charlevoix area tour of our many superb art galleries. Guests that took the tour enjoyed seeing the exhibits of paintings, sculpture, pottery, weavings, glass designs and other forms of art designs.

Several of the guests said they had never been to the outlying galleries and were to happy that they had the opportunity to visit them. They plan on returning to them again during the summer months. All enjoyed the "treats" that each gallery owner served during the tour.

The Mackinaw City Trolley added to the ambience of the countryside drive to and from the galleries. We were lucky that our driver knew all the back roads and destinations.

The weather and countryside could not have been more lovely. The hospitality at every stop certainly has inspired us to plan on doing this event

again. Hopefully we learned a few things that will help to improve the tour.

Those that bid on the silent auction gifts were delighted with their gifts.

So again, we thank you all for helping us make this event a success.

We shall return again and again to view your galleries and the exciting display of Art

Ann Hennicksen
 Charlevoix Circle of Arts board member

A bigger pool

Editor:

"Swim Kaeli, swim! Oh so close!" everybody yells. I believe that if Charlevoix had a legal length pool kids (like Kaeli) on the Charlevoix Stingrays Swim Team would be able to make more state times.

It seems to me that if Charlevoix had this, more kids would be able to go to states. In the past only two or three kids have gone to states. This year out of 78 Stingrays only 12 went states and nine kids this year were close to going to states.

My second reason is, the Stingrays would have better and longer exercises. More kids would lose weight with a longer length pool. Next, kids would place better at swim meets with harder, longer exercises.

Finally, there would be more room for more kids. This year there were 48 new Stingrays out of 78 total. As a Stingray myself, I can tell you that it is

hard to swim when more than 15 kids are at practice which is 92 percent of the time.

In conclusion, if Charlevoix had a legal length pool, it would solve all the problems illustrated and help the Stingrays expand and do better all the time. So please help make this possible.

Ali Schwein
 Sixth-grade, Charlevoix Middle School

Fix the trail

Editor:

We should fix the BMX trail up so we can ride our dirt bike. We need more jumps to hit. There are only three jumps to hit. If we get more jumps we can improve our skills. If you make the trail bigger, there could be more jumps.

There would be less kids getting in trouble if kids are busy with sports. They wouldn't be getting in trouble with the law. In the summer the kids wouldn't be bored all summer long because they will be riding the trail. The kids wouldn't just ride the trail they will be watching soccer and they will be riding the trail too.

Finally the BMX trail should be improved and expanded. A lot of kids will look at that and say I won't ride that trail because it is in bad shape. It needs to be improved. More kids will ride that trail if it was bigger that is why you should expand. More people with money will be buying snacks and drinks because they will be riding the trail all day.

As you can see, I would like the BMX trail improved

Sam Steward
 Sixth-grade, Charlevoix Middle School

Shocked and appalled

Editor:

(This letter is in response to former Charlevoix Public School Board member Judith Ivan's recent resignation from the board.)

I was shocked and appalled at comments made by Jan Herring, an Alpena, Michigan resident, in the Charlevoix Courier, (Letters to the Editor) July 29, 2009 edition. Mrs. Herring was a guest at the July 13, 2009 Charlevoix school board meeting.

If Mrs. Herring lived in Charlevoix county, as I do, she would know that we have a strong hard working school board and an excellent school staff working through contract negotiations to provide the best education for our students, working with less monies and high costs. She would also see all the "For Sale" signs, some

of what represents families that had to leave Charlevoix because of lost jobs or can't find a job, thereby taking their school age children with them.

The disrespect Mrs. Herring showed in her letter for school board member Judith Ivan was inexcusable. She stated that Judith Ivan said "She knew of two professionals who recently lost their jobs and that the school staff should be grateful to be employed." I have heard this comment many times during the past year as I'm sure Judith Ivan has.

For Mrs. Herring to comment about the emotion with which Judith Ivan delivered her comments and write "If I were a voter in the Charlevoix School district I would not vote for Mrs. Ivan to hold a seat on this board." I have to wonder about her emotions that, as a guest from Alpena, Michigan, she felt the need to express her personal opinions in a letter to the editor of the Charlevoix Courier.

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Pan-Hellenic meeting

The Northern Michigan Pan-Hellenic Women will conclude the 2009 season with a 11:30 a.m. luncheon meeting on Thursday, Aug. 13, at Stafford's Bay View Inn (note date and time change).

Following the luncheon

and a brief business meeting, there will be a program presented by Burt Atkinson. He will be talking about the Bay view Woods and the interesting walks there.

Hostesses for the day are Connie Burt, Sue Toman, Ruth Rizzo and Betty Tufts.



Alano opens soon

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

The Charlevoix Alano Club/Serenity House of Charlevoix is near completion. The club plans an open house for 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday Aug. 28 at the club at 106 Mason St. The club has managed to raise the majority of the \$250,000 it cost to have the new building and landscaping constructed. They now need \$11,000 in donations to be debt-free.

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assistant in France for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Gerald K. Thompson is returning to Hurlbut Field, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., after being deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

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While in Afghanistan, Thompson served with the Combined Security Transition Command.

The command mission is to train, equip, mentor and advise the Afghan National Security Forces.

Currently at Hurlbut Field, he serves as chief of logistics embedded training team

assigned to the 1st Special Operations Equipment Maintenance Squadron. The chief master sergeant has served in the military for 25 years.

He is the son of Curtis W. and Louise K. Thompson of Park Row, Charlevoix.

The chief is a 1981 graduate of Charlevoix High School.



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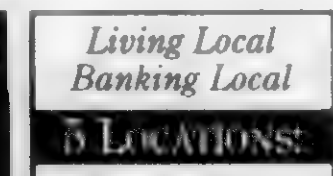
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Waterfront ART FAIR



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Louise Neethery of Elkhart, Ind. stands between two of her original oil paintings during the 51st Annual Waterfront Art Fair in Charlevoix. Neethery has won several awards for her work, including Best of Show in Naperville, Ill.; Best Painting in Oak Park, Ill.; and Best of Show in South Bend, Ill.



PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON, COURIER
Amy Johnson of Amy Johnson Designs original beaded Jewelry shows off one of her premium beaded necklace artworks.



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Laurie Sharkus of Newport shows off some of her wildlife creatures during the 51st Annual Waterfront Art Fair last Saturday in Charlevoix. Despite rain and overcast skies, hundreds of people patronized the event.



Artist Pat Eberline works on a piece of art in her booth during the 51st Annual Waterfront Art Fair in Charlevoix on Saturday, Aug. 8.



Artists came from near and far to display their works during the 51st Annual Waterfront Art Fair in Charlevoix. Here Jo Moffitt of Charlevoix displays her pottery.



This original oil painting is by a lady named Kwang Cha. This was her fourth year attending the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair. She has been painting for 40 years.

Meg Longthorne Fairbairn is pictured here near her collection of hand-made artfully designed eggs. Fairbairn said she has a "creative mother hen."

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Blue Jays

The Charlevoix Recreation Department's Blue Jays girls' softball team is pictured (front row, from left) Mikayla Lowell, Madison Olach, Morgan Welham, (second row, from left) Lauren Kwapiasz, Helen Hanchin, Annie Joy and, missing from the picture, Destiny Hand. Coaches are Dave and Trisha Olach, Patrick and Amy Hanchin.

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Rayder football golf outing

Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 14 at Dunmaglas Golf Course for the 2 p.m. shotgun-style golf event. The \$80 per player buys 18 holes of golf with cart, boxed lunch, tee gifts and dinner. Call (231) 622-2667 or e-mail kcarey24@gmail.com. Spaces are limited.

Pop Warner Football

Equipment handout, free physicals and final sign-up will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the First Baptist Church off M-66 in Charlevoix. Players must bring a copy of their birth certificate and \$90 registration fee. Call 547-0265 or 547-0511 for more information.

Girls work on softball skills

Girl's fast-pitch softball enthusiasts, Annette Nesburg and Tom Mielke in cooperation with the Charlevoix Recreation Department formed a recreation skills summer league for area girls ages 7 to 10.

More than 30 girls signed up to learn a variety of basic skills and fundamentals, teamwork, sportsmanship and game strategies.

For the first couple weeks, the girls practiced hitting, fielding, base running, throwing and pitching.

The players split into four teams and played league

games twice a week ending the season with a fun night where the players split into two teams and played each other and celebrated the end of season with an ice cream donated by Concessionaire Ike Boss.

The Recreation Department is grateful to the coaches that took time from their hectic schedules to instruct the children.

The players showed great enthusiasm for the new girl's fast-pitch program and had a lot of fun learning their new skills and forming friendships with their teammates.

Look for this program to grow in the next few years.

The girls improved immensely over the six week season and are asking for a longer season next year.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Feat benefits Junior Golf

The event has tradition—a single golfer plays 100 holes in a one-day fundraiser, taking monetary pledges for each hole played. For several years Steve Braun, former golf professional from the Belvedere Club, displayed his talents and perseverance while fundraising for the Charlevoix County Junior Golf program. Monday, Aug. 24 is another "100 holes in a day" fundraiser only the torch has been passed and a new face will attempt to duplicate Braun's feat.

But some extra challenges have been added. Marty Joy, a new teaching professional at the Belvedere, will replace his friend and colleague. The added challenges are Joy will play around 12 hours of golf using hickory clubs and golf attire first used in the 1920's and 30's. While using clubs from the past and golf dress from long ago aren't new to him, playing 100 holes continually will be. Joy, a member of the Society of Hickory golfers, has been an avid player on the "Hickory Circuit" and fairly recently lost the Mid Pine Hickory Open in a playoff.

When asked about the event, Joy said, "I'm sure I can do it, although the most holes I've played in a day as a Hickory golfer is 54 holes. I have the motivation of helping area young golfers learn about golf when enrolled in our outstanding program."

The Executive Director of the Charlevoix program, Dean Davenport, expressed his excitement for the event. "When you compare our current clubs and all the technology to the clubs Marty will be using, you wonder how he could agree to play 100 holes with them," he said. "He has

worked as a volunteer teaching pro in our program since its beginning and is highly motivated to continue Steve's fundraising tradition."

The fundraiser allows the program to select six to eight youngsters each year who have a passion for golf to attend a week long golf camp at Ferris State University.

In addition, two graduating seniors that were former members of the Junior Golf program and who served their school and community as outstanding role models, receive book scholarships as first year college students.

The public is encouraged to participate. Spectators can view the event as early as 6:30 a.m. and approximately every 2.5 hours later as Joy completes 18 holes on his way to five rounds finishing his last 10 holes ending at

around 6:30 p.m. Those wishing to contribute a pledge for Junior Golf may do so by contacting either Marty Joy at the Belvedere Club at 547-2611 or Dean Davenport at 547-6433. Pledges are tax-deductible.

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Venetian Champs

The 2009 Venetian Week is over and the results of the games are in revealing the names of the Champions as follows:

Venetian Jam 2009 1st Place Winners: (Under Class BMX & Best Trick) Zach Crandell of Charlevoix; (Under Class Skateboard) Thomas Louiselle of Charlevoix; (Under Class Inline Skate) Brad Rizzo, Charlevoix; (Open Class BMX) Tyler Burkhart of Brutus; (Open Class Skateboard) Casey Huzzinga of Petoskey; (Open Class Inline Skate & Best Trick) Jordan Awrey of Gaylord

Croquet 1st Place Winners: (Service Club) Kiwanis Club: Terry Eger & Dave Burzyk; (Open Flight) Gina & Burton Engel; (Fire Department) City Fire Department.

Keith Carey Golf Tournament 1st Place Girls: (8-9 years old) Kellie Robinson; (10 years old) Bree Farmer; (11 years old) Kellie Wakulat; (13 years old) Anna Voci.

Keith Carey Golf Tourna-

ment 1st Place Boys (8-9 years old) Max Holloway; (10 years old) Matt Good; (11 years old) Turner Havens; (12 years old) Nosh Jeakle & Nate Moonide; (13 years old) Shane Southerland; (14+ years old) Alex Gooch.

Golf-Adult 1st Place Winner: Men's, Chase Beatty; Women's, Pat Duffy.

Drenth Memorial Footrace Male 1st Place Winner (10K) Jeff Powers - 32:35; (5K) Kevin Yamell - 15:43; (Ryan Shay) Rondell Ruff - 4:01.

Drenth Memorial Footrace Female 1st Place Winner (10K) Kari Johnson - 39:46; (5K) Margaret McGlothlin - 18:32; (Ryan Shay) Frances Voons - 4:31.

3 on 3 Soccer 1st Place Team (Under 8 Co-Ed) The Eagles; Madeline Wherley, Mickey Wherley, Alexandy Watson & Maron Watson; (Under 8 Girls) The Mighty Rams: Katie Bile, Madi Bezik, Megan Scholten & Emma Wagner; (Under 8 Boys) Sonic Swip-

ers: Ben Lentz, Nick Archambault, Blaise Snabes & Austin Swidorski; (Under 10 Girls) Petoskey Force: Brooke Redes, Kaylyn McCullough, Julia Badneck & Sarah Lewis; (Under 10 Boys) Katy Wolohan: Katy Wolohan, Will Wolohan-Jackson, Ryan Wolohan-Jackson & Simon Shaheen; (Under 12 Girls) Lobos II: Sydney Chambers, Kayla Barrows & Jennifer Ling; (Under 12 Boys) Orange Crush: John Bailey, Mitchell Corey, Matthew Fought & Gerardo Silva; (Under 14 Girls) The Goal Diggers: Anna Way, Bailee Stevens, Maura Brandi & Sydney Carlson; (Under 14 Boys) The Studlys: Ethan Cartwright, Austin Redes, Hunter Viles & Kirkland Muller; (HS Boys) Mr. Soccer: Boog Nitchman, Ben Myers, Tom Rich & John Shea; (Pumas Alumni: Chad Hamuth, Forest Tassa & Jason Muller; (Adult Men) Pocket Nines & the Brothers Jack: Josh Manker, Adam Batchelor, Terrance Frank & Sam Jackson; (High School/Adult Women)

en) Cat, Dog & the Beavers Madison Way, Bobbie Molter, Kaleigh Blanchard & Madison McKenzie; (Over 35 Men) Deathwish: Ed Fantozi, Arch Fantozi, Mary Witthoeft & Scott Cochran; (Sportsmanship Award) Yoshin Warriors: Lexie Barnes, Wesley Drost, Shelby Robinson & Katlyn Kinkley.

Swimming 20 Yard Free (6 & Under Girls) Jordyn Disbrow; 20 Yard Back Jordyn Disbrow; (6 & Under Boys) 20 Yard Free Whit Courage; 20 Yard Back, Whit Courage; (8 & Under Girls) 20 Yard Free Abby Birchfield; 20 Yard Back Abby Birchfield; 80 Yard IM Katie Harmeling; 20 Yard Breast Katie Harmeling; (8 & Under Boys) 20 Yard Free Jaxon Disbrow; 20 Yard Back Jaxon Disbrow; 80 Yard IM Jaxon Disbrow; 40 Yard Fly, Jaxon Disbrow; 20 Yard Breast Jaxon Disbrow; (9-10 Girls) 20 Yard Free Emmy Jo Halvorson; 40 Yard Back, Emma Garner; 80 Yard IM Emma Garner; 40 Yard Fly Emma Garner; 40 Yard Breast Emma

Garner; 9-10 Boys: 20 Yard Free Brad Klinger; 40 Yard Back Eli Haas; 80 Yard IM Brad Klinger; 40 Yard Fly Ali Schwein; 40 Yard Breast Maggie Milewski; (11-12 Boys) 20 Yard Free Riley Garner; 40 Yard Back Riley Garner; 80 Yard IM Riley Garner; 40 Yard Fly Riley Garner; 40 Yard Breast Riley Garner; (13-16 Girls) 20 Yard Free Kaeli Bales; (40 yards) 40 Yard Back Kaitlyn Alessi; 80 Yard IM Kaeli Bales; 40 Yard Fly Kaeli Bales; 40 Yard Breast Kaitlyn Alessi; (13-16 Boys) 40 Yard Free Grant Garner; 40 Yard Back Calvin Kopitz; 80 Yard IM Calvin Kopitz; 40 Yard Fly Calvin Kopitz; 40 Yard Breast Grant Garner; (17-20 Boys) 40 Yard Free Luke Cummins; 40 Yard Back Luke Cummins; 80 Yard IM Luke Cummins; 40 Yard Fly Luke Cummins; (21-40 Girls) 40 Yard Free Susan Glueck; 48 Yard Back Susan Glueck; 80 Yard IM Susan Glueck; 40 Yard Fly Susan Glueck; 40 Yard Breast Susan Glueck; (41-60 Girls) 40 Yard

Free Marilyn Early; 40 Yard Back Marilyn Early; 80 Yard IM Marilyn Early; 40 Yard Fly Marilyn Early; 40 Yard Breast Marilyn Early; (61 & Older Boys) 40 Yard Free Jack Richardson; 40 Yard Back Jack Richardson; 40 Yard Fly Jack Richardson.

Tennis 1st Place Winner/Team (Boys 12 - 15) Adam Bean; (Girls 16 - 18) Andrea Meyering; (Women's Singles) Jillian Bean; (Women's Doubles) Laura Kemp & Wendy Reeve; (Senior Women's Doubles) Mary Foster & Connie Grashom; (Men's Singles) Joe Hoffman; (Men's Doubles) Frank Hagelshaw & Nick Kling; (Senior Men's Singles) Nick Kling; (Super Senior Men's Doubles) Roger Postmus & Dick Henderschott; (Mixed Doubles) Rain Delay; (Senior Mixed Doubles) Frank & Connie Grashom.

Volleyball - 1st Place Team E-log of Charlevoix: Tim & Sumer Wells, John Boss, Tyler, Aubrey & Jenna Way.



Girls' softball

Members of the Purple Pious team are (front, from left) coach Sladek, Jillian Edwards, Emma Wachler, Rylann Sladek, Elyssa Seger, (second row, from left) Coach Annette Nesburg, Katherine Edwards, Natalie Nesburg, Lauren House, Rachel Nesburg, Coach Vicki Seger, Coach House. Missing from the photo is Erin Wachler.

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Actions taken by the Charlevoix Public Schools Board

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education during their Monday Aug. 10 meeting.

Item: Sports boosters update

In brief: Chris LaCroix, head of the Charlevoix Sports Boosters club, reported on the club's activity including nearly \$30,000 they raised and donated for uniforms and other sports related needs in the past year. See Charlevoix Courier on Aug. 19 for the full story.

Board action: none required

Item: Secretary/treasurer nomination

In brief: The board discussed nominating a new

secretary/treasurer as their former, Judith Ivan, recently resigned from the board. The discussion was tabled until new board member Larry Levensgood takes office next month.

Board action: Unanimously tabled

Item: Calendar approval

In brief: Set the school's 2009-2010 calendar dates. The first day of school will be Sept. 9 and the last day will be June 10, 2010.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Bus driver pay

In brief: Discussion to increase bus driver pay by 2 percent across the board.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Refuse removal

In brief: Discussion to approve Waste Management to continue removing trash from the school.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Volleyball coach

In brief: Discussion over whether to appoint Laura Nitchman as the seventh grade volleyball coach for Charlevoix Middle School.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Item: Food service software

In brief: Discussion to purchase new food service tracking software. The old software is unreliable and even skipped recording at least one day's transactions.

The software is needed to track the number of free and reduced lunches so the school may receive the

maximum amount of federal funding through their free and reduced lunch program. The software will also allow parents to apply for free and reduced lunches online and track what their children are eating.

Board action: Unanimously approved

Thank You... On behalf of Charlevoix County Senior Citizens and the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging, I would like to thank the following volunteers, individuals and businesses for their generous contributions of support, gifts of door prizes and volunteerism for our 30th Annual Picnic. This celebration of our seniors was held on July 8, 2009 at East Jordan Harvest Barn Word of Life Church. It was a tremendous community effort to put on such a special event and celebrate our Charlevoix County Senior Citizens. With sincere appreciation, Susan Bergmann, Executive Director.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The Richard W. Wolf Revocable Trust.

Date of Trust Created: 10/29/1993

To All Creditors: The Grantor, Richard W. Wolf, who lived at 02105 M-66 South, East Jordan, Michigan, died 07/27/2009.

There is no personal representative of the grantor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Richard W. Wolf Revocable Trust dated 10/29/1993 will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustee or the attorney for the Trust at the address noted below, within four months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: August 12, 2009

Jane Gootee Nelson (313420) Stroup, Ehart & Lyons, P.C. P.O. Box 805

Petoskey, MI 49770-0809

(231)347-3907

Huntington National Bank, Trustee

Ralph Munch, A/P & Senior Trust Officer

P.O. Box 1350

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy J. Welch and Ruth R. Welch, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 19, 2002, and recorded on November 22, 2002 in Liber 500 on Page 747, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on March 29, 2007 in Liber 797 on Page 010, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$237,905.86), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on September 11, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in Township of St. James, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 2, Lot 18, Lookout Point, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats, page 50, Charlevoix County Records, except right of way over Private Road now in place to owners of Lots 16 and 17 of same plat, the said Road as set forth in the Warranty Deed recorded in Liber 183, page 233, Charlevoix County Records.

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Parcel 2: Beginning at a concrete monument at the Southwest corner of lot 18 of the plat of Lookout Point, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, page 50, Charlevoix County Records; thence along the West line of said plat (East line of Government Lot 3, Section 23, Township 39 North, Range 10 West) North 00 degrees 13 minutes East 272.35 feet to the platted shore meander of Lake Michigan; thence along said shore North 75 degrees 21 minutes West 25.00 feet; thence South 04 degrees 45 minutes East 279.63 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of Government Lot 3, section 23, Township 39 North, Range 10 West. The above described property includes all land to the ordinary high water mark of Lake Michigan westerly of course described as along said shore.

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Dated: August 12, 2009

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For more information, please call: FCX (248) 593-1307

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy J. Welch and Ruth R. Welch, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 19, 2002, and recorded on November 22, 2002 in Liber 500 on Page 747, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on March 29, 2007 in Liber 797 on Page 010, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$237,905.86), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on September 11, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in Township of St. James, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 2, Lot 18, Lookout Point, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats, page 50, Charlevoix County Records, except right of way over Private Road now in place to owners of Lots 16 and 17 of same plat, the said Road as set forth in the Warranty Deed recorded in Liber 183, page 233, Charlevoix County Records.

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your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Brian Pinney and Anne Pinney, husband and wife, reserving a life estate in favor of Keith Pinney and Pamela J. Pinney, husband and wife, ("Debtors") to Charlevoix State Bank, dated January 30, 2006, and recorded in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on February 3, 2006, in Liber 729, Page(s) 302, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$18,694.10, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Charlevoix State Bank together with interest at 7.75 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale, and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on August 21, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILSON, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION AND CENTER LINE OF HEALEY ROAD SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" WEST, 1638.51 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" WEST, 33 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID ROAD, THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" WEST, 365 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" WEST, 330 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" EAST, 385 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID ROAD, THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" EAST, 33 FEET TO THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE, THENCE ALONG SAID 1/4 LINE AND CENTER LINE OF SAID ROAD, NORTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" EAST, 330 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING BEING A PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

Dated: July 14, 2009

Charlevoix State Bank
By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD
(P64560)
BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.
Attorneys for Charlevoix State Bank
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bryan Jung and Amy Jung, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2003, and recorded on September 12, 2003 in Liber 570 on Page 976, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Huntington National Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy And 87/100 Dollars (\$96,870.87), including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 4, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as Lot 310, Block 19, Nicholls and Morgan's Third Addition to The Boyne, according to the recorded plat in Liber 1 of plats, page 68, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 5, 2009

For more information, please call:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Service
31440 Northwestern Highway
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #276887F01
(L-8/5,8/12,8/19,8/26)

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ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, mBank, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Cinkei, Inc., a Michigan corporation, ("Debtors") to mBank, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan ("mBank"), dated March 1, 2006, and recorded in the

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Office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on March 3, 2006, in Liber 733, Page(s) 570, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$340,437.84, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to mBank together with interest at 8.00 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on August 21, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
PARCEL A:
BEGINNING AT A CHISELED "X" IN A CONCRETE SIDEWALK AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF SECOND STREET WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST, 120.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00' 00" WEST, 234.30 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 26' 13" EAST, 135.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD ON THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG SAID STREET LINE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST, 113.03 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; BEING PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 3, SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST.

EXCEPT:

IN THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF SECOND STREET WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF MILL STREET SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 44" EAST (RECORDED AS SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST), 55.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID STREET LINE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 44" EAST (RECORDED AS SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST), 65.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 06' 56" EAST (RECORDED AS SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00' 00" EAST), 135.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 57' 44" WEST, 65.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH ROD; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 06' 56" WEST, 135.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 3, SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

Dated: July 14, 2009

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der the laws of the State of Michigan. **THOMAS A. PEZZETTI, JR.** (P45200)
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Susan Stemen and Michael Stemen, wife and husband original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Mortgagee, dated November 1, 2007, and recorded on November 15, 2007 in Liber 823 on Page 80, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Eighty-Two And 06/100 Dollars (\$324,082.06), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point in the centerline of Spring Valley Road which is south 00 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East, 807.02 feet from the corner common to said Sections 18 and 19, Town 33 North, Range 4 West, and Sections 13 and 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West, for the Point of Beginning; thence South 20 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East along the town line, 200.00 feet; thence North 69 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East along the centerline of Spring Valley Road to the Point of Beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 12, 2009

For more information, please call:
FCF (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Service
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
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File #271940F01
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point in the centerline of Spring Valley Road which is south 00 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East, 807.02 feet from the corner common to said Sections 18 and 19, Town 33 North, Range 4 West, and Sections 13 and 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West, for the Point of Beginning; thence South 20 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East along the town line, 200.00 feet; thence North 69 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East along the centerline of Spring Valley Road to the Point of Beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West.

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Dated: August 12, 2009

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PUBLICATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF DECEDENT'S TRUST

State of Michigan, County of Charlevoix, In the Matter of: Michael A. Pocobello, Jr., Revocable Trust, u/a dated 3/31/1999, as amended

Notice to All Creditors: Your interest may be forever barred or affected by this Notice.
Michael A. Pocobello, Jr., DoB December 24, 1941, formerly residing at 5776 Six Mile Lake Road, Ellsworth, Michigan 49729, Charlevoix County, South Arm Township, died on July 16, 2009. There is no probate estate, and no personal representative of the decedent's estate to whom letters of administration have been issued, and this Notice is given by the Trustee of the Michael A. Pocobello, Jr., Revocable Trust pursuant to MCL 700.7504.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the decedent and the trust will be forever barred unless presented to KENNETH G. FRANTZ, trustee of the named trust, at the address listed below, or by commencing a proceeding in the Charlevoix County Probate Court, 301 State St., Suite 9, County Building, Charlevoix, MI 49720, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this Notice. Notice is further given that the trust estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Dated: August 12, 2009

KENNETH G. FRANTZ (P29249)
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Joint City Council/Historic District Study Committee Public Hearing
Monday, August 17, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council will hold a joint public hearing with the Historic District Study Committee on Monday, August 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall to receive public input on a proposed ordinance to amend article VI of Title I of the City Code by adding Section 1.356 establishing the Earl Young Buildings Historic District. The proposed ordinance, if adopted, will establish the Earl Young Buildings Historic District.

A complete copy of the proposed ordinance can be obtained from the City Clerk during normal business hours.

Interested citizens can make comments at the public hearing or written comments may be sent to the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720.

Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk
11:00 AM

The City of Charlevoix will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon one week's notice to the City of Charlevoix. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Charlevoix Clerk's Office in writing or by calling the following: City Clerk, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231) 547-3250.
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE
This firm is a debt collector at attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Vernon T. Brown, a Single Man to

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for American Home Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2007 and recorded March 27, 2007 in Liber 790 Page 648 Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: American Home Mortgage Servicing, Inc., by assignment dated July 16, 2009 and recorded July 23, 2009 in Liber 894, Page 388 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$13,685.51) including interest 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court of Charlevoix County at 11:00AM on September 4, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit Number 10 The Atrium Inn Condominium, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 316, Pages 72 through 106 Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Subdivision Plan Number 47; together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: 8/05/2009

American Home Mortgage Servicing, Inc.
Assignee of Mortgage
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
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Our File No.: 09-11671
(L-8/05,8/12,8/19,8/26)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by WAYNE E. BOSS and SANDRA L. BOSS, Mortgagors, to CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK, Mortgagee, dated June 8, 2004, (recorded in Liber 619, Page 282, Charlevoix County Records) and modified by Agreement dated July 8, 2004 (recorded on July 29, 2004 at Liber 628, Page 835), on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof, the sum of \$99,797.09, including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under Power of Sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in

2100 LEGAL NOTICES

such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan, at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 4, 2009.

Said premises are located in Norwood Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 9 West; thence South 89°31'36" East along the North line of said section 1364.16 feet to the centerline of Norwood Road; thence South 00°28'23" East along said centerline 660.78 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing along said centerline South 00°28'23" East 226.65 feet, thence North 88°46'48" West 233.08 feet, thence South 00°28'23" East 345.00 feet to the North right-of-way of Center Street, thence along said right-of-way North 88°46'48" West 600.81 feet, thence North 03°43'47" East 1018.71 feet; thence South 89°19'48" East 310.00 feet; thence South 00°48'38" East 330.04 feet; thence South 89°34'13" East 157.08 feet; thence South 00°28'23" East 125.00 feet; thence South 89°35'34" East 240.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The redemption period shall be twelve (12) months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Date: July 24, 2009

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Circuit Court-Family Division

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 09-011395-MC

In the matter of Lee Erron Erickson; Debtor, vs. CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK, Plaintiff; TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including whose addresses are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009 at 1:45 p.m. at Charlevoix Probate Court, 301 State St., Charlevoix, MI before Judge Frederick R. Mulhauser (P28895) for the following purpose: To hear the Petition to Change name filed by Lee Erron Erickson, Debra Sue Slocum requesting the name of Lee Erron Erickson; Debra Sue Slocum be changed to Lee Erron Chapaw; Debra Sue Chapaw. Date: August 10, 2009
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**CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, August 3, 2009 -
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers,
City Hall, 210 State Street,
Charlevoix, MI**

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

Council discussed possible relocation of power lines along three blocks of East Dixon to Berdan Place. Council referred the matter back to staff to obtain additional information regarding resident participation in the project.

Motion passed accepting the resignation of Pat Miller from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Motion passed appointing Richard Clem to the ZBA.

Motion passed approving the power purchase through MFR for up to \$5,454,446 from 2011 through 2014.

Motion passed approving the recommendations of the City Attorney in the Anderson-Johnson litigation.

Motion passed appointing Rick Brandt as officer delegate and Paul Ivan as alternate to the MERS annual meeting.

Motion passed setting a public hearing on August 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall on a proposed ordinance to establish and Earl Young Buildings Historic District.

Motion passed setting a public hearing on August 10, 2009 at 12:00 noon in Council Chambers of City Hall on a proposed ordinance to require reporting FAA enlargement data.

Motion passed to enter closed session to discuss a written opinion from the City Attorney regarding Alster Street. Council met in closed session from 8:48-8:55 p.m.

Council adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.

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(L-8/12)

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Elements considered top retailer

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
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Elements Gallery, located at 107 Bridge Street in Charlevoix, has been nominated for Niche magazine's 2009 Top Retailer Awards. The magazine has named Elements for consideration in two categories: Top Retailer and Best Visual Merchandising.

"That was really exciting,"

said owner Nancy Suzor. "Having visited so many retail stores all over the country, it's an honor to be nominated."

Niche magazine is a trade publication connecting art galleries and craft retailers with artist studios throughout the United States and Canada.

These artists, recognizing retailers whom they feel to be exemplary, cast the annual Niche Awards nominations.

Since opening the shop in

1999 with her daughter-in-law, Janine, Suzor has developed personal relationships with many of the more than 250 artists represented in Elements.

"I deal directly with the artists. I find them by attending shows in Arizona, Maryland, Vermont, New York," she said. "We usually go to the Buyer's Market of American Craft every year in Philadelphia."

Elements offers an eclectic mix of art, crafts and decorative items.

The owners' predilection for stone, metal and other organic materials in the items that they represent, inspired the name of the store.

Michigan-based artists and crafters work is prominent among Elements' offerings. Many of Kathleen C. Fritz's prints and paintings reflect scenes of northern Michigan.

A Petoskey artist who is renowned for more serious

work, contributes a collection of bucket-headed tin men sculptures called Potheadz.

"We carry Wachler Life-Links," Suzor said. "The charms are named and represent different things like 'Live Outside the Box,' 'Serenity' or 'Family.' Two brothers started the business. One lives here in Charlevoix."

Niche magazine polled thousands of professional craft artists throughout the U.S. and

Canada who nominated nearly 600 galleries, retail stores, art nonprofits, museum stores and guilds for the 2009 Top Retailer Awards.

Criteria for the nomination is based upon Niche magazine's Retailers' Guide to Best Practices, which details the characteristics of craft retailers who are committed to fair business practices and to growing and strengthening the North American craft community.

Sidewalk sales boasts big bargains

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Rain or shine, the sales must go on.

Nearly two dozen merchants offering items from adult and kid clothing to shoes, toys and books will assemble along Bridge Street and beyond for three days of sales.

"I would say maybe 90 percent of merchants (participate) downtown," said co-chair of the Charlevoix Area Retail Committee Jacqueline Dipert. "It's not meant to be a downtown-only event, but that seems to be how it turns out."

Dipert, who owns the Clothing Company at 339 Bridge St., said she will offer discounts as

deep as 70 percent off.

"We cut everything to get it out and make room for our fall merchandise," she said. "It's our busiest week of the year."

Dipert added, "There will be deals up and down the street—it's definitely worth the trip into town."

However, said Barb Kluczynski, owner of Barb's Hallmark, the deals won't only be found on Bridge Street.

Barb's Hallmark is located in the Captain's Corners Plaza near Glen's Markets at the corner of US-31 and M-66 North. "I'm very optimistic," Kluczynski said. "I hope we get a lot of people. Things are 50 to 75 percent off and some things are discounted even more."

Kluczynski will have deals on items including figurines, gift wrap, party plates and napkins.

She added, "I hope the weather's good, but I'll do it if it's rain or shine."

Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority Executive Director Keith Carey said the event is a definite boon to the local economy.

"I think it has a noticeable impact," he said. "Merchants have their own goals and, generally, they know what to expect."

The sales will be on from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday Aug. 13, Friday Aug. 14 and Saturday Aug. 15.

Call 547-2101 for more information.



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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bridge

Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays August through Sept. 5, at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in August. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape, no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fire Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome. do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.
• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club

Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

AUG. 13 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visions and Visions."

Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

Aug. 13 - Fred Vemeersch' Orchard View, 1344 Vemeersch Rd., Central Lake.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.

Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

AUG. 15 THROUGH AUG. 24

East Jordan Area Women's

Aug. 15 - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Morning Nature Hike: Bennett Creek Preserve on M-66 just N. of Kidder Road.

Aug. 22 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday pig roast Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser. Cedar Bend Farms 1021 Doerr Road, Mancelona, MI 49659. Call (231) 587-8126. Food, music, silent auction for all ages. Adults \$15, kids 3 to 10 \$7.50.

Under 3 free. Call 536-4977 to purchase advance tickets.

Aug. 24 - 6 p.m. Monday, spaghetti dinner at Caruso's Family Dining, U.S. 131 Alba. \$6 per person. Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser.

AUG. 13

Musical/comedy luncheon
The Ragamuffin Theatre & Company presents "So You Think You're A Princess?" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.
Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699.

Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in classroom A.

The next one is scheduled for Wednesday Aug. 15. Health Screens include: cholesterol (total cholesterol, HDL, the healthy cholesterol which protects the heart, and a ratio, which ideally should be under 4.5 to help prevent stroke and heart attack), blood sugar level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a blood pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all of the test results (including the blood results) at the time of the screen.

Blood will be obtained by a Registered Nurse by a painless finger-stick method with no fasting required. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes and could end up saving your life.

Post honored

Charlevoix's Poet Laureate Rosalyn Goldstick will be saluted on the occasion of her 90th birthday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15 at the Charlevoix Senior Center located at 06906 Norwood Road near the west end of Carpenter Street.

Light refreshments will be served. No gifts, please, but cards are welcome. Donations in Rosalyn's name can be made to either the Senior Center or to Temple B'nai Israel, 420 Waukazoo Ave., Petoskey, MI 49770. Call 547-0749 for questions or information.

Donations can also be made directly to the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County by visiting www.relayforlife.org and clicking on Find Relay Events.

For information more on how you can join the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County, contact Lindsey Malpass-Skop at (231) 536-7959.

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Book signings

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the photographer, Michael Barton, author of The Mushroom Houses of Charlevoix.

• 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Aug. 15 meet the author, Marcy Fisher, and have her sign your copy of Fried Magic. Marcy will be a guest speaker at the Charlevoix Public Library Aug. 18.

Events are at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Charlevoix—547-2699.

Health Screen

The East Jordan Family Health Center will be presenting their Community Health Champion Award to Joe Schodde, of Charlevoix Area Hospital, during their 11th Annual Patient Appreciation Day from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13, at the health center on 601 Bridge St. in East Jordan.

This event is held in conjunction with National Health Center Week.

AUG. 14

Book signing

At 3 p.m. on Aug. 14 at Up North Books in Charlevoix author Bob Butz will discuss and sign copies of An Uncrowded Place: The delights and dilemmas of life Up North and a young man's search for home.

AUG. 15

Relay For Life

At 4:30 p.m. on Aug. 15, local cancer survivors will be honored during the Survivor Celebration at the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County. Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event that raises funds and awareness of cancer research and patient programs. For 24 hours, teams of family, friends and co-workers camp out and take turns walking a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times as a reminder that cancer never sleeps.

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Wednesday, August 12, 2009

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From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 22, you can help the Char-Em United Way help needy students by stuffing the bus with school supplies.

Buses will be located in both K-Mart Plazas in Charlevoix and Petoskey.

Needed items include folders, pencils, hand sanitizer, crayons and any other school supplies. A list of suggested school supplies is available at www.charemunitedway.org.

Drop-boxes are located during Aug. 14 through 22 at Family Dollar, Petoskey; K Mart, Wal-Mart, Dollar Tree and Bed Bath & Beyond, Petoskey; K-Mart and Dollar Tree, Charlevoix.

Volunteers are needed to staff the buses from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Aug. 22 and help sort supplies.

To volunteer, contact Julie at 487-1006 or at info@charemunitedway.org.

A work bee to sort, count and prepare the school supplies for delivery will take place at the Red Cross Building on Sept. 1, contact us if you have time to help.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

arships and ESTARL scholarships (ESTARL scholarships are for those students seeking a degree in theological related studies.) Other organizations helped through Grand Chapter include the Dyslexia Foundation, Diabetes Foundation, Heart Association, and other charities. Youth groups supported include Demolay for Boys, Rainbow Girls, and Job's Daughters.

Call Colleen Wilcenski at 547-1305 for more information.

Payment is due on the date of pick up Aug. 15.

Singles for Christ

Singles for Christ invites all singles 40 and older to the monthly dinner at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15, at The Side Door, 1200 US-31 North, Petoskey in the outdoor covered patio.

R.S.V.P. is required. Call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

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Big Grin Competition

The annual event where bikes, boards and blades compete. The registration is from noon until 2:30 p.m. on Sunday Aug. 16 at the Charlevoix Community Skatepark, 401 West Carpenter St. The event begins at 3 p.m., weather permitting. Helmet is required. Call (231) 675-43505 for more information.

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SEPT. 7

People are encouraged to gather at the Townhouse Bar in Charlevoix at noon on Sept. 7 for the annual Little But Mighty Bridge Walk. The walk, which will originate from the north side of the bridge, occurs at 1 p.m. People are encouraged to purchase a 2009 Bridge Walk T-shirt, the proceeds of which will benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Bank. Shirts cost \$13 up to extra-large. Shirts which are extra-extra-large and extra-extra-extra-large cost \$16.

SEPT. 18

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzie@charlevoixcounty.org.

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City likely to raise EMS, fire costs

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Townships served by Charlevoix City fire and emergency medical services (EMS) will likely see an increase in next year's fees.

Following an investigation into the apparent disparity among local municipalities who contract with City of Charlevoix for fire and emergency medical services, Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel and Charlevoix City Fire Chief Paul Ivan devised a plan that involves a

levy of .65 mils on Marion, Norwood and Eveline Townships.

"We've talked to all the townships that are involved ... and, on the EMS side we are looking at proportioning the fees charged to those townships based on the call volumes or frequency in which EMS services go out to that township," Straebel said. "I believe most townships agree that's an accurate and equitable manner in which to charge."

The .65 proposed millage

would be used to help offset the cost of fire services.

Straebel said the proposed increases are not arbitrary figures.

"We could safely assume the City of Charlevoix is paying disproportionately more than the call volumes merit for both fire and EMS, so we looked at costs in neighboring cities and townships," he said.

The change in fees was initiated, Straebel said, by the need to cut waste in all departments.

While the millage causes the townships to pay more annually than in the past, Ivan said it would be much more costly to pay for each fire separately.

"The average house fire, let's say we're there for three hours with one fire pumper and two tankers: the pumper would cost, to rent, \$900 and \$175 for each tanker—that's \$1,425 just in equipment. Then throw in the consideration of manpower," Ivan said. "You've got 12 to 15 people at an av-

erage rate of \$15 an hour, so \$675 for manpower—that's about \$2,100 for one house fire."

"Any increase is a hardship, but ... what's the alternative?" said Norwood Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton. "Everyone is in the same boat give or take a few hundred dollars one way or another."

Hamilton said the matter was researched and continuing to contract with Charlevoix fire and EMS was the most equitable solu-

tion for Norwood residents.

"We looked into alternatives ... (like) possibly splitting the township and going north to Charlevoix and south to Banks Township, but we got into this rating game with the insurance companies ... with tons of little variables."

Built into the millage, Ivan said, is a \$25,000 capital plan to replace fire and EMS equipment as needed.

"The tanker we just bought

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No historic district for Charlevoix

BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Dying for lack of a "second," the Charlevoix City Council killed a proposal to designate 17 Earl Young stone structures as a historic district in Charlevoix.

While a couple council members felt the measure could be a good thing, all were unanimous in saying the move would place undue burden on property owners.

"I just have a hard time forming a Nantucket, if you will. If you buy a house on Nantucket, you know what to expect: you must have your house one of seven colors, it must be made up of certain materials. That's just the way it is, but you know that in buying it," said Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. "For the most

part ... the homeowners are very passionate about the earl young property and I doubt very highly it would ever come down to that (demolition or exterior remodel)."

He added, "Especially when it comes down to the commercial side, that's where I have a problem with it. Especially in today's economy."

City councilman Greg Stevens (Ward 2) said it's wrong to pass an ordinance after people have already bought their house.

"You're asking us to come in through the backdoor and change somebody's home," he said. "It's wrong to say we're going to change the rules on you."

The district, if passed

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Would it have passed, this Earl Young-built stone house would have been one of 17 structures in the Charlevoix Historic District. The measure, brought before city council on Monday, Aug. 17, failed for lack of support by councilmembers.

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Auction a roaring success

Charlie Drayton, Leah Olson and Deb Strawbridge (pictured from left) show off their flapper style during the recent Charlevoix Area Community Pool's largest fundraiser of the year. The event, held at Castle Farms, was themed the Roaring '20s.

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BIRTHS

Shayla Ann Childress weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces was born Aug. 12, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Shaquita L. Adams and Larry D. Childress of Detroit. Her sibling is Shakyra - Makiya. Her grandparents are Jennifer Adams, Charles Johnson, Sheryl Childress and Larry Childress, Sr. all from Detroit.

Brooklyn Isabel Fischer weighing 8 pounds, 9 ounces was born Aug. 6, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Bryan and Jamie Fischer of Bellaire. Her siblings are Keely and Paylen Fischer. Her grandparents are Joni and the late Daniel Wieland of Ellsworth, Deborah Fisher and David Fisher both of Bellaire. Her great-grandparents are Isabel Peterson of Ellsworth, Keith and Joan Fischer of Bellaire and Dick and Doris Wieland of Englewood, Fla.

Arianna Maldonado weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces was born Aug. 11, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jay and Allie Maldonado of Petoskey. Her sibling is Riley M.

Carl Allen Murray weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces was born Aug. 7, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Justine

Thayer and Carl Murray of East Jordan. His sibling is Winter Murray. His grandparents are Glinda Thayer and Gregg Dixon both of Charlevoix and the late Gene Murray. His great-grandmother is Margry Murray.

AUTO CRASH

Sheriff Don Schneider reports that on Sunday, Aug. 9, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a two vehicle personal injury accident.

Deloris Maule, 60 of Boyne City was driving a 1998 Ford Explorer northbound on Lakeshore Road when she attempted to make a left-hand turn onto Advance Road striking an oncoming southbound 1999 Ford Taurus driven by Kaitlyn Mack, 20 of Hudsonville.

Deloris Maule along with her two passengers, Walter Bryant, 15 of Boyne City and Austin Bryant, 11 of Boyne City were all transported to Northern Michigan Hospital with minor injuries.

Kaitlyn Mack along with her passenger John Mooney, 19, of Northville, were transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital with minor injuries.

This accident remains under investigation.

WATERCRAFT CRASH

Sheriff Don Schneider reports that on Saturday Aug. 8, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a watercraft accident with

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injuries on Lake Charlevoix near Ferry Beach.

Carly Schaefer, 14 of Okemos, was driving a jet ski when she struck a wave causing her to hit her chin on the handlebars of the watercraft.

The accident caused minor injuries to Schaefer's chin and skin on her bottom jaw. Schaefer was treated and released from Charlevoix Area Hospital for her injuries.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Steven Lee Klein, 37, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Emma Elizabeth Adams, 20, Beaver Island. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 days community service work; \$250 in fines and costs.

Joshua Michael Peck, 17, Boyne Falls. Minor in pos-

session of tobacco. Pay \$135 in fines and costs.

Rory Patrick Connaghan, 33, Beaver Island. Open intoxicant, motor vehicle driver. Pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Russel Wade Cadwell, 27, Boyne City. Disturbing the peace. Pay \$310.02 in fines and costs.

Caleb Michael McCary, 21, Charlevoix. Open intoxicant, motor vehicle passenger. Credit for three days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Willard Sylvester Rhymes, 42, Petoskey. Disorderly

person/drunken. Serve 15 days in jail; \$300 in fines and costs.

Sandra Kay Stapp, 28, East Jordan. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Scott Andrew Johnston, 22, Livonia. Disturbing the peace. Pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Julie Ann Steffen, 37, Mancelona. Larceny, more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for one day in jail; 344 days held in

abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation, to write a letter of apology, \$6,600 in fines and costs.

Brian Todd Snyder, 37, Boyne City. Use of marijuana. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; serve 15 days of community service work; 44 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$950 in fines and costs.

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Sue Bergmann moving on

Board hires consultant for commission on aging as its director heads for Alaska

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

CHARLEVOIX — The county board of commissioners has hired a consultant to help streamline the county's commission on aging shortly after receiving word that the agency's director will be moving to Alaska.

Charlevoix County Commission on Aging Executive

Director Sue Bergmann announced last week that she will be resigning from the position she has held for more than 10 years so she can take a job as a public health nurse in Keetchikan, Alaska.

Bergmann said she lived in Alaska for about 10 years before returning to Northern Michigan in 1991. She said she now has family in that area which is one of the motivations behind her career change.

Bergmann's announcement may be coming at a good time for the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners.

During their regular semi-monthly meeting Wednesday, the board approved hiring a consultant at a cost of \$10,000 per month to help the commission on aging streamline its

organizational structure and operations.

Under the terms of the contract, David Emmel of Abbott & Emmel Consulting will be working with the commission to review and revise its organizational structure, policies and procedures. In light of Bergmann's announcement, he will now also function as the organization's interim director and help the county board of commissioners create a job posting description as it seeks to replace Bergmann.

Emmel told the board he could start work on Monday. He said he expects the process of his work, including hiring a new executive director will take between two and six months.

The consensus among the

board Monday was that, given the fact that it could take some time to find a new director it is important to start the search as soon as possible. However, the board wanted Emmel to have some time to start his work at the commission on aging so he can be better informed when he makes recommendations for the director's position job posting.

The commission on aging oversees a host of services for senior citizens in the county, including senior centers in Charlevoix, East Jordan, Boyne City and Beaver Island. The agency is overseen by its own appointed board and the county commission. It is funded through several sources including the Charlevoix County senior millage.

Bergmann told the News-Review Wednesday that the commission on aging has grown dramatically in her 10-year tenure as its director. She said when she took over, the agency had a staff of eight people and a \$200,000 budget. Today it has 36 people on staff and a budget of \$1.8 million.

She said she's pleased that the county commission is taking steps to help streamline the agency, noting that its quick growth has created a fairly "flat" organizational structure. Bergmann said she's also pleased with the county commission's efforts to find a new office space for the commission on aging. She said the agency long ago outgrew its current office space in a house at 207 Antrim St. in

Charlevoix.

She added she enjoyed her time working for the commission and will miss her friends and co-workers, but also said she is looking forward to new adventures in Alaska.

Bergmann's last day as director will be Aug. 21.

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You gonna eat that?

Lucian is leaning halfway across the table, ogling my plate of cheese enchiladas, refried beans and rice. He's holding his fork like a plumb bob, describing circles over my entire



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwidi

Lucian drops back against the padded booth, sighs, and scans the room for our waiter. He spears the only bit of sustenance left on his own plate: a wilted sprig of parsley, and considers it with a burlesque sadness before shaking it off the tines of his fork.

He licks an index finger and blots up the crumbs from the bottom of the basket of chips.

I load my own fork with a chunk of enchilada and hoist it into my mouth.

"Mmmm," I say and roll my eyes toward heaven. "Mmmm-mmm-mm."

I'm punishing Lucian for making me hold up the entire conversation for the six minutes that it took him to finish his meal.

My recitation of anecdotes and observations passed without reciprocal comment while Lucian mowed through a burrito grande and two bowls of chips and salsa.

Hanging forward over his food while I stared at the top of his head, he queued

up spicy bites on his fork and jiggled them impatiently while he rolled his jaw around the current mouthful.

"Have you ever," I asked him, "entered an eating contest? You know, like pie, hot dogs or hard-boiled eggs? I think you'd probably win."

"I'm hungry. I'm hungry all the time since I quit smoking," Lucian catches the waiter's eye and waves him over. "I'd like another one of these," he says.

"Another margarita?" our waiter asks, reaching for Lucian's nearly empty glass.

"Okay, but another one of these, too," Lucian drains his salt-rimmed cocktail before handing over the glass and points to his empty plate.

"Another burrito?"

"And more chips, please. And salsa."

The waiter shrugs "Okay," he says, and walks toward the bar.

"You quit smoking three years ago," I say.

Well, yeah, off and on. Mostly on."

I don't say anything, but I've known Lucian long enough to be able to call him on this. I've known him since my freshman year in college, and he's always eaten like it's his last day on earth. He approaches food with the same ruttin' brio that infuses everything else he does. His appetites are huge.

Years ago, when we lived in Marquette, Lucian's girlfriend made dinner for a small group of friends. She flattened discs of cornmeal dough to the size of a hockey puck and dropped them into a frying pan in three inches of tepid oil. While they absorbed the fat and eventually began to sizzle, she boiled split peas and mashed them into the consistency of peanut butter. After heating a can of organic refried beans in a saucepan, she assembled the plates: A greasy, leaden corn pucker under a layer of beans, topped with a dollop of split peas that I guessed represented guacamole. The waiter delivered the check, along with two wrapped mints — the

glassy benevolence. The rest of us prodded our tower of carbs with trepidation while Lucian had seconds and then thirds. After that evening, no one saw him for a week, and we assumed that he was hibernating.

Squashing errant grains of rice with his fork, Lucian cleans the plate of his core entrée. The waiter delivers the check, along with two wrapped mints — the

yummy kind, sandwiched in chocolate. We divvy up the damage and pile money on the tip tray.

Lucian peels his mint and pops it into his mouth, eyeballing the one that I'm holding between my thumb and forefinger.

"Yes, I am," I tell him, and drop it into my purse.

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WEEKLY POLL

Did this summer's unreasonable weather have much impact on tourism and business?

Positive (3 Votes, 9%)
Negative (19 Votes, 58%)
Not much at all (11 Votes, 33%)

This week's poll question:
What will Obama's health care plan mean for Charlevoix citizens and business owners?

Undue burden • Positive move • Not sure

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Flowers and Fauna, and the big picture



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

This past week I was looking for a few more flowers to add to my already vast collection.

The weather and slugs hadn't been kind and the garden was not looking as happy as it did earlier this summer.

When I visited various merchants to purchase plants left behind after the quick spring/summer flurry of planting, I actually felt bad seeing so many of them sitting in the hot afternoon sun or hiding in the shade of a tent. It was a similar feeling I experienced when visiting the Humane Society.

My pace quickened as I sensed a few marigolds may have actually whimpored when I passed them by.

My eyes darted from their soulful glaze. I felt I couldn't leave without looking for the plants that needed attention and found myself talking to them. "Don't worry I'll give you a home, you have outgrown the black plastic container that holds your remains, I'll take care of you."

I've been known to exaggerate a bit, but if in your adventures today, you are so moved, why not stop by a local shop and rescue a plant that needs your love.

Speaking of rescuing, on various occasions this summer the topic of adoption was brought up.

Surprisingly there are more adopted persons out there than I imagined.

During a typical day the conversation often turned to families and eventually the word adoption would come up.

I met fellow adoptives who shared their feelings on what their journey has taught them. Fortunately, my journey has been one of the good ones.

My brother and sister have both mentioned on separate occasions that they are happy to have me as part of the family, but then again maybe mom and dad told them to tell me this.

Even so, my life has been blessed with a wonderful family complete with the dynamics that each member takes on. We all follow specific tasks and I am the one who likes to fix things in an emotional sense and keep the family on an even keel—the peacemaker.

Maybe it's genetic or maybe I just finished the pyramid in Mazlow's hierarchy of needs without realizing it.

Anyone who has completed a degree in Counseling or Social Work will eventually come face to face with the work of Mazlow and his theories.

His pyramid design of what we all need reminds me of the pyramid for healthy living and eating. Mazlow's hierarchy starts at the top with the biological need for oxygen, food and water.

Makes perfect sense and is easy to understand. This is followed by the need for safety and feeling secure in your environment.

If you listen and watch the news you may not feel secure so once in awhile turn the tube off.

The need for love and a sense of belonging is the third item on his pyramid.

Feeling cared for is important both on the giving as well as receiving end.

Proof of this is the number of hospice patients that leave a facility for a time being because they have improved so much due to the wonderful care.

Next step is the need for self esteem. When we feel satisfied and self confident we are less apt

to feel helpless and will offer more to our fellow man by being a valuable asset.

The pyramid ends with the need for self actualization.

This is best described as knowing what you are born to do.

Musicians make music, an artist paints, poets and writers express themselves on paper and flowers, well, they are born

to be appreciated because of the beauty they provide.

I'll be returning soon to the nursery to rescue a few more plants that may otherwise be tossed.

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LETTERS to the editor

Trombones Plus salutes Charlevoix

Editor:

The members of Trombones Plus would like to extend our thanks, appreciation and congratulations to Mayor Norman Carlson Jr., the Citizens of Charlevoix and the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority.

We had the pleasure of performing a concert in your East Park Performance Pavilion on Sunday August 2nd and again on Aug. 4 when we joined the Charlevoix Community Band. Now the Charlevoix Band is absolutely fantastic! And the surrounding East Park and Manna provide the most idyllic setting for a concert we have ever had the privilege to perform.

In addition to thanking you for the opportunity to be part of your Charlevoix Concert Series, I want to bring to your attention three extraordinary individuals from your community we met and worked with prior to and during our performance visit to Charlevoix.

As leader of Trombones Plus, I have more than a decade of experience working with community representatives, none better, more gracious or more welcoming than Charlevoix' Gary Stutzman, Director of the Charlevoix Community Band and member of the Charlevoix Concert Series.

Sea Ports Great Lakes organization, Keith Carey of the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority and Dave Smith, Sea Ports Great Lakes member and vocalist with the Charlevoix

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Auction a success

Editor:

On behalf of the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild, I wish to thank everyone that helped to make our third annual silent auction a success.

Special thanks to the donors, purchasers, committees, and media.

We, in Charlevoix are very fortunate to have a beautiful hospital and a community that cares.

The money will help pay for the neo-natal apnea unit and blanket warmers.

Thank-you all for the support. Lorene Sakamoto, Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild silent auction chairperson.

More letters on page 5.

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LETTERS to the editor

Concerns over health insurance

Editor:

From our perspective, as people who have always paid and chosen their health plans, this bill is very frightening.

Loss of control of one's own decision making is not easy. Last year I paid \$396 a month for insurance and prescription coverage with a \$2,000 deductible.

I was OK with that. Also my prescription generics for three months was \$20 and others were \$80 for three months.

OK also. Now that I am on Medicare, I will pay \$161.25 a month for my supplement coverage to cover what Medicare does not cover—I also have to have deducted from my Medicare check, \$96 for the Medicare portion of the insurance.

I also have to pay \$56.70 for my prescription coverage.

Once my total prescription costs—what I pay and what the drug costs—totals \$2,500, I will have no prescription insurance until it gets to around \$4,500.

Our prescription insurance was never interrupted prior to Medicare.

For those people who have always gotten what their employer provided—even if they had to pay for a portion—the Federal health care bill may sound like a

Summer reading club successful

Editor:

I would like to thank the children and families of the Charlevoix community for their support, talent and enthusiasm.

The Charlevoix Public Library just completed our six-week summer reading club titled "Be Creative @ your Library," which ended Aug. 4 with our first Youth Craft Show.

We had 30 booths and a constant flow of shoppers for the full two-hour time slot.

First, let me commend the participants for the creativity and time spent on each of their products, which were unique and well crafted.

Second, this was a large commitment on their part and I saw the pride and understanding of responsibility.

And third, I know there are quite a few proud children walking around today with a jingle in their pockets.

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Sports Boosters tackle tasks for teams

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Charlevoix Sports Boosters are in transition.

With funding for student athletics cut from the general budget, sports boosters have picked up the slack and stepped into the role of primary sponsors for these programs.

"Boosters have always been there to support the kids," said sports boosters member Bret Erskine. "Sometimes I think they do too much."

Prior to the budget cuts, The Charlevoix Sports Boosters acted as secondary support for Charlevoix high school athletics.

But, with funding evaporat-

ing, the boosters have become the main source of revenue for middle school athletics as well as for high school sports.

"I think they should be involved more with the bigger stuff," said Erskine, who has coached girls' basketball for 12 years. "Like if you have to replace the bus, or the engine for the bus. (Boosters) spent over \$30,000 last year. Members and volunteers built the concession stand. I think everybody in the community does a great job supporting the teams. The parents step up and do a great job. I know the kids thank them. I don't think you can have Charlevoix athletics without the sports boosters."

Recent needs addressed and

"In the early '80s, when (the sports boosters) started, there was a \$1,500 yearly budget," said the group's president, Chris LaCroix. "That was used primarily for meals and rooms if the teams went to playoffs or state finals!"

financed by Charlevoix Sports Boosters include the purchase of uniforms for the cheerleaders and girls' basketball team and construction of the baseball concession stand.

A few of the nearly 30 other projects that they have recently

provided, or assisted in providing, funds for include baseball and girls' soccer equipment, football, track, volleyball and baseball uniforms, providing a wrestling mat cage and sponsoring the Senior Sports Banquet.

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Now, due to the budget cuts, the athletic department receives only the gate receipts from games. However, the sports boosters are playing a much larger role to maintain school athletic programs.

Fundraising events scheduled for the coming year include the boosters' second annual Rayder Rally held at Castle Farms on Nov. 7.

Tickets are \$100 for two admissions and the event offers a buffet and a grand prize of \$5,000.

A total of \$10,000 in cash prizes will be given away during the evening. Tickets are available from any sports booster member.

A euchre tournament is planned for February, with the date to be announced.

Proceeds from the events will be used to support Charlevoix football, baseball, basketball, track, tennis, cross-country, softball, volleyball, golf, soccer, cheerleading, wrestling and ski teams.

"Even with all of the success we've had, we can still use all the help we can get," LaCroix said. "Either financial, or bodies showing up to help out."

To join the sports boosters or to make a donation, contact any member or call Chris LaCroix at (231) 675-7030.



COURTESY PHOTO

Garden Award

The First Place Municipal Award was given to the Charlevoix Police and Fire Department by the Charlevoix Garden Club. Accepting the award from Susan Flanders was Janeen Warner who designed the planters that face State Street outside the Fire Department.

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Biking for the mountain

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Sтивен Бусе, 54-летний художник, ветеран и житель Traverse City, занимается на велосипеде.

Бусе делает solo bicycle trip across Northern Michigan this summer to promote awareness and support for Challenge Mountain's Adaptive Recreation Facility near Boyne Falls.

"I wanted to do this as a sort of thank-you back to Challenge Mountain," Бусе said. "I grew up skiing in Alpena; I raced since the seventh grade. I grew up skiing in the winter and sailing in the summer."

He added, "At Challenge Mountain, I started skiing again."

In 1975, while he was stationed in Korea, Бусе had four wisdom teeth pulled and the surgeon left a piece of gauze inside an incision. Staph and strep infections led to more serious problems, causing debilitating pain.

"The first time Steve skied out here, he made one run and he was exhausted," said Sue Moody, Executive Director of Challenge Mountain. "Now he's just so good. He used to be a world-class skier before he was in the service."

Leaving Traverse City on Aug. 21, Бусе will stop in Charlevoix before heading east on Aug. 23. The ride will take him across the tip-of-the-mitt, from Lake Michigan to Lake Huron and will in-

clude passage through the Jordan Valley and Pigeon River Valley State Forest.

Allowing for stops along the way, Бусе plans to complete the 150-mile ride within two weeks.

Aside from Бусе's affinity for sports, he is a prolific artist, recognized for his work in several mediums.

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Amanda Perry Donalds: Nov. 18, 1925 - Feb. 8, 2009

Amanda Perry Donalds, 83, passed away peacefully in her home at Cypress Village, Jacksonville, Fla., on Feb. 8, 2009.



Amanda Donalds

She was born Nov. 18, 1925 in Columbus, Ohio to Dr. C.L. Perry and Bethana T. Perry. Amanda attended St. Catherine's School in Richmond, VA, as a boarder until 1943.

Her freshman and sophomore years were at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass. Amanda transferred to the University of Wisconsin her junior year. There she met John E. Donalds, her future husband.

In 1948, they lived in Boston where John attended Harvard Business School.

In 1950, John accepted a position in at Dow Chemical Company in Midland, MI where they lived, between transfers until 1985. At which time they moved to Concord, Mass. until

1994 where John and Amanda moved to Florida for the winters and spent their summers in Charlevoix.

Amanda was a homemaker, an avid reader, a championship golfer, a needle pointer and an inquiring cook.

She was a past member of the Junior League.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, John E. Donalds II; daughter, Katherine (Kate) Stone; son, John (Jack)

Donalds III and her sister, Linda Check.

She is preceded in death by her daughters, Linda Voll and Elizabeth Donalds.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Christ Episcopal Church, 200 State St., Charlevoix, MI.

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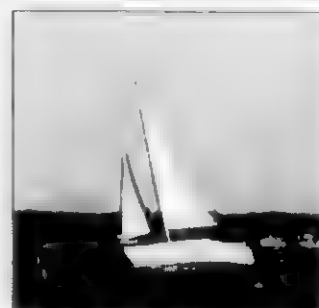
What began with the donation of a 31-foot sailboat to a local school has turned into a full-fledged sailing program.

Now with a fleet of three boats, Northwest Academy will be offering a sailing program to all sixth-through 12th-grade kids in the Charlevoix area.

"Depending on weather and interest, we'd like to offer the program three days a week," said Gary Stutzman, Northwest's music and marketing director. "Everyone is welcome regardless of ability."

The 31-foot sailboat which got it all started was given to the school by Charlevoix resident Dave Lawrence.

"Sure, sailing's fun, but that's not the real motivating factor (of the donation)," Lawrence said. "I put my kids in sailing programs when they were younger, and I wanted



it to be fun, but it's what they learn: the life lessons, the teamwork, the camaraderie and just the skill and self-confidence that comes with it."

Stutzman said the program will benefit students because the things the kids learn will fall in line with the State of Michigan's new more stringent curriculum standards.

"Some math and science will be involved," he said. "And, they'll be learning hands-on what they're being asked to learn in the classroom."

Stutzman donates the use

of his 33-foot Columbia and a friend's 32-foot Hunter sailboats to round out the fleet.

"We have experienced people to run the boats and we follow the guidelines of the Coast Guard safety regulations," he said.

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Lawrence said he would like to see the program eventually include a chance for students to study the water quality of the local lakes.

"My youngest son went out on a research sailboat ... from Miami to Nova Scotia doing marine research," Lawrence said. "It was very good for him."

He added, "You learn about navigation. You learn about wind. You learn you can't sail a boat by yourself—you have to rely on other people to do their job."



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Work of art

Corinne Warmbold (left) and April Raycraft work in clay during a hands-on learning experience taught by world-renowned sculptor, artist Todd Warner on Aug. 12 at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

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Scholarship recipients

Tammy Potter (front, from left) who works at Belvedere Beach as a lifeguard, will go to Alma College in the fall to obtain a degree in elementary education while playing for the women's basketball and volleyball teams; Jesse Bille, who is a Gang Leader in the Gang day camp program at the Belvedere Club. Jesse will be going to Grand Valley State University in the fall to go into the nursing program; and Courtney Chamberlain, who works in the Belvedere Club office as an office assistant and is a student at Central Michigan University. She plans to pursue a career in school psychology. Pictured are (back, from left) John Prescott, Charlevoix Schools and Belvedere summer manager; Robbie Rundblad, who works at the Belvedere Golf Club for head professional Marty Joy and will be going to Central Michigan University in the fall for a yet undecided field of study; Justin Friske, who works at the Belvedere Golf Club with the grounds crew and will be going to Ferris State University for nuclear medicine; and Thomas Conlan, general manager of the Belvedere Club and Belvedere Golf Club. Recipients not pictured include Rachael Nuttall, a member of the Belvedere dining staff.

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flow may fall short of the amount needed to meet your monthly bills during retirement.

But as you think about the college vs. retirement issue, keep one overriding fact in mind: You have less time to save for retirement than your children have to pay for college. If your children do take out some loans, they will likely have decades in which to repay them.

Ultimately, the amount of financial assistance you provide for your children's college education is a personal and emotional decision, as well as a financial one. Still, you can take steps to help out your children without shortchanging yourself.

One possible strategy is to contribute to your 401(k) and your IRA, and then use whatever money you still have available to fund a college savings plan. If your employer offers a match for your 401(k) or other retirement plan — such as a 403(b) or 457(b) — you should, at the very least, contribute enough to earn the match. And if at all possible, you'll want to "max out" your IRA, which offers significant tax benefits. Your

contributions to a traditional IRA may be tax-deductible, and your earnings grow on a tax-deferred basis. Depending on your income level, you may be able to contribute to a Roth IRA, which provides tax-free earnings, provided you meet certain conditions. In 2009, you can contribute up to \$5,000 to your IRA, or \$6,000 if you're 50 or older.

Once you've earned your employer's 401(k) match and then, if possible, contributed the maximum amount to your IRA, you can begin looking more closely at college savings vehicles, such as a Section 529 plan or a Coverdell Education Savings Account, both of which offer tax-free earnings and withdrawals as long as the money is used for qualified education expenses. (Withdrawals for other types of expenses may be subject to federal and state taxes plus a 10 percent penalty.) Also, Section 529 plan contributions may be tax-deductible in certain states for residents who participate in their own state's plan. To make sure you understand the tax ramifications of a Section 529 plan, you'll want to consult with your tax advisor.

By committing yourself to regular investing, and by taking advantage of the various investment accounts available, you can make progress toward your retirement goals while still tackling the high costs of higher education. That's a "win-win" situation.

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New city cop

He's come all the way from Texas to brave the great white north.

Wesley Roberts, recently hired by the Charlevoix City Police Department as a full-time officer, began working at the end of July.

"I like Michigan and I like this area," Roberts said. "I'm looking forward to long years (here) just like I had in Texas."

Roberts is a former military policeman for the Navy.

"Wesley comes to us ... with about 10 years of experience as both a deputy sheriff and as a fire Marshal, so he brings a great deal of training and expertise in those areas," said Deputy-Chief of Charlevoix City Police Scott Hankins. "We are fortunate to have a good

candidate for this full-time position."

Roberts grew up in Talco, Texas, in the northeast portion of the state before joining the Navy straight from high school.

"I got out and had a family and police work was kind of a continuation of my military, so I decided to pursue something I enjoyed doing," he said.

Roberts attended the North-East Texas Regional Police Academy in Arlington, Texas.

He came to Michigan earlier this June after certifying as a Michigan policeman through the Roscommon University and the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards.

"I passed the test and I was able to apply for the job in

Charlevoix," Roberts said. "My wife's family is from Boyne City. Her mom and dad were getting up in years and needing a little bit of help, so we moved up here to help them out."

Roberts said he enjoys police work because, "It's always a challenge. There is always something new—nothing's ever the same."

The 39-year-old said he is looking forward to his first winter with snow.

Roberts' hiring fills the vacancy left when officer Erin Evans resigned.

The Charlevoix City Police Department has seven full-time officers and three seasonal officers.

Evans joined the city police department on Oct. 30, 2008.



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Orange Sox

The Charlevoix Recreation Department t-ball league Blue Sox are pictured (front, from left) Avery Zipp; Paige Carson; Allison Sape; Audrey Thompson; Lily Woodgate; (back, from left) Elliott Tillotson; William Glass; John Sauer; Brandon Schwenke; Cameron Roloff; Sam Dixon and coaches Mabel Carson and Paul Schwenke. Not pictured is coach Brian Carson.

No historic district for Charlevoix

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would have placed restrictions upon what property owners could do with the exterior of their structure. It would also have prevented—barring proof of financial hardship—the demolition of the structures.

"If you pass this, it's just another erosion of property owner rights," said city councilman Dennis Kusina (Ward 1).

If the district would have passed, the business owners would have had to go through the local historic district committee to alter or

demolish their property.

If the committee were to turn the property owner down, then the property owner would have to appeal before a board in Lansing.

"The committee was asked to study the possibility of making a theme district out of the Earl Young Structures," said Charlevoix Historic District Commission chair Mary Adams. "The state feels as if the district would be a desirable district for preserving history of the structures that are so very unique to Charlevoix and to Michigan."

She added, "We have property owners who are pretty

adamantly for the district; we have property owners who are pretty adamantly against having their properties in the district."

Dan Barron, legal representation for The Lodge and the Weatherlane and Terrace Inn and Suites said his clients opposed the creation of a historic district.

"We feel this proposed ordinance is terribly ill-suited for commercial properties," Barron said. "We have commercial properties that are proposed to be singled out and have the rules changed on them in the middle of the game ... and in the middle of a recession."

He added, "They bought this as a business investment. They've worked hard ... and this proposed package will create a whole new level of government regulation."

Historic District Commission member Bob Heath said the buildings have to be protected from destruction.

"I want you to think, for a moment, what this town would look like in a hundred years," he told council. "We have a resource here in these buildings ... that are at risk. We have lost some and we will lose more in the future if you do not act tonight."

Property owners, even ones who opposed the mea-

sure, would not have had the right or ability to exempt themselves from the ordinance.

The stonework houses and three businesses were built by Young, a nationally-known architect who began building his unique structures and mushroom houses in the early 20th century.

Of the 17 property owners involved, six homeowners were in favor of the proposal; four property owners were against it and two had no opinion.

Several of the properties are foreclosures and the new owners could not be reached for comment.

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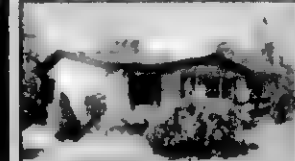
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County seeks energy savings

Board hires firm to find ways to cut energy usage in county buildings

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

CHARLEVOIX — The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners has hired a consultant to help it develop an energy savings plan for its two most-used buildings.

At its regular semi-monthly meeting Wednesday, the board voted 4-2 to hire Energy Systems Group to develop the plan for the Charlevoix County Sheriff's office building and the Charlevoix County building.

After a preliminary tour of the building, company representative Lonnie Bullion told the

board he believes he can save the county about \$36,000 per year in energy costs — \$15,000 at the county building and \$21,000 at the sheriff's office.

But those savings will come with costs of their own.

First there's the company's fee: \$15,000 for an estimated two to three month's work to develop the plan. Then there's the cost of any programs or projects the consultants might recommend.

Before Wednesday's vote, much of the commissioner's discussion centered around at what point, under the contract, would

the county be "on the hook" for the company's \$15,000 fee.

Bullion explained he would not expect to be paid if he does not deliver a viable energy savings plan as promised. He said he would expect to be paid in the event that he brought a viable plan to the board, and it then decided — because of budget constraints or other reason — to delay or not implement the plan at all.

At Wednesday's meeting county undersheriff Chuck Vondra spoke up saying the sheriff's department has already implemented many energy savings

program since the first of the year.

Vondra wanted the board to be aware that Bullion's figures for the sheriff's office were based on previous years' usage figures. He also thought the board should press Bullion for some kind of estimate on what implementation costs might be before entering into the contract.

Vondra told the News-Review that since the change in sheriff's administration on Jan. 1, he has been working very diligently on cutting costs — including utilities — at the sheriff's office.

He said so far this year the

sheriff's office has saved 20 percent on its utility bills.

Vondra said he's been on a mission to eliminate wasteful usage wherever possible. Some of it has come from re-evaluating thermostat settings, replacing inefficient lighting, monitoring water usage, weather sealing, insulation and in one case, installing switches for lights inside five utility closets that had previously been on 24-hours a day.

Vondra said he anticipates the sheriff's office will save \$20,000 to \$30,000 this year on utilities alone.

Vondra said he commends the

county board for its efforts to cut energy costs, and agrees more can be done. He said his main concerns were that the board be aware of the efforts that have already been made and the absence of an implementation estimate before entering into the contract.

Commissioners Chris Christensen and Joel Evans cast the two dissenting votes on hiring the firm after voicing similar concerns. Commissioners voting in favor of the contract included Shirley Roloff, Robert Drebenstedt, Shirlene Trapp and Ron Reinhardt.

Camp Charlevoix alumni reunite

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Camp Charlevoix, one of the country's premier boy's camps from 1927 until the final year of operation in 1971, is holding a reunion from Aug. 21 to 23 in Charlevoix.

Nearly 40 former campers and counselors from 16 states will gather together with friends and others to celebrate and share memories of those halcyon summers.

"I have never forgotten my experiences as a camper in the great outdoors of northern Michigan," said reunion organizer Gary Murfin of Seattle. "Camp Charlevoix was a magical time, the best

growing-up experience ever."

The camp's founder, Lewis C. Reimann, opened the camp in 1927 on Lake Charlevoix, near Ironton.

This was a temporary location. And, in 1930, the camp was moved to a 170-acre site with three-quarters of a mile of lake frontage on Oyster Pointe.

With 17 camper's cabins, a large clubhouse/recreation center, stables, dining room, kitchen, infirmary and handicraft shop, Camp Charlevoix operated at this location for 41 years.

Known as "a character camp for boys," the camp's motto was "I Would Be True. For There Are Those Who

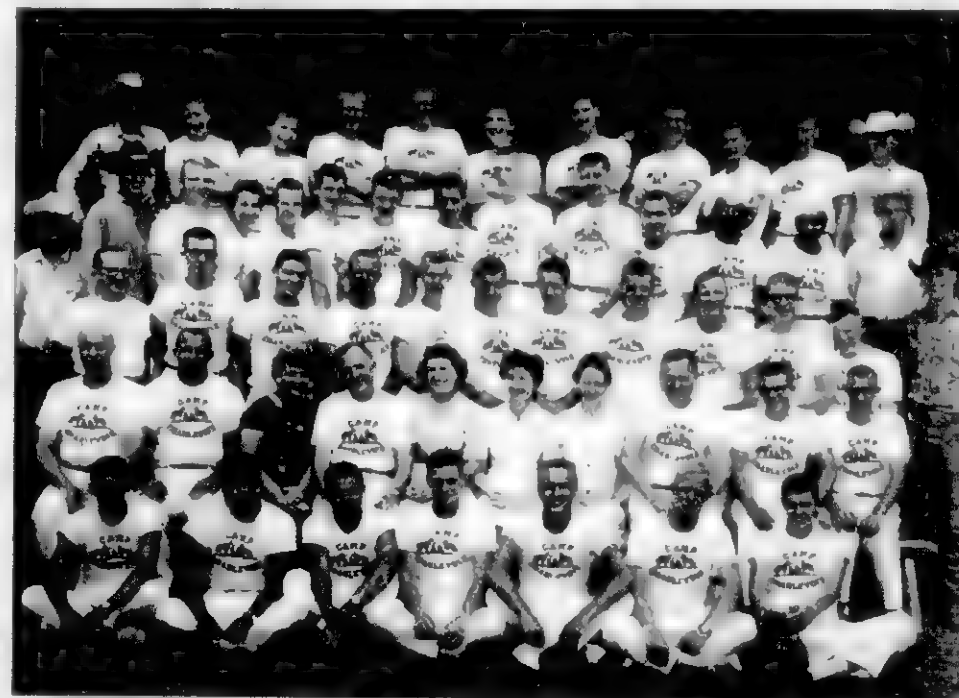
Trust Me."

Reimann, known to campers and staff as, "Chief," believed that the objective of the camp should be to prepare those who attended to meet the problems and experiences of later life with confidence and to inspire integrity in their future relationships in business and with friends and family.

Ken Smith of Grosse Pointe Woods was a counselor at Camp Charlevoix in 1934 and later served as Director of Activities, Associate Director and Program Director.

In 1948, he and his wife, Ruby, took over ownership

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COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured is the 1961 staff of Camp Charlevoix, the former boys' camp of more than 40 years which helped youth learn responsibility, respect and helped prepare many of them for adult life.

CHARLEVOIX SIDEWALK SALES



PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON

Malissa Mayer (left) is checked out at the Clothing Company by cashier Bonnie Trojanek during the Friday Aug. 14 portion of Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales.



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Helen Becker of Traverse City peruses the aisles of Carey's Shoes during Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales. Becker was passing through on her way to Mackinaw City when she decided to stop.



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Jan Carmichael of Des Moines, Iowa, searches for the sale of the century at J. Phillips in downtown Charlevoix during sidewalk sales.



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Brandy Okerblom, district manager of Up North Kids, sets up a table of books on Friday Aug. 14 for the Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales.

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RELAY FOR LIFE



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Brittney Haster, Brien Iverson and Kim Hejka all of East Jordan set up for the silent auction portion of the 4th annual Relay for Life cancer fundraiser.



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Brad and Sue Sweet of East Jordan walked for Sue's father who died of cancer one year from the date of the Saturday Aug. 15 Relay for Life cancer awareness and fundraiser.



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The chairman of the 4th Annual Relay for Life cancer fundraiser Owen Welsh (right) is pictured during the Saturday Aug. 15 event with co-chair Geoff Britt.



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Members of Beer Bottle Blues Band serenade walkers during the 4th annual Relay for Life cancer fundraiser on Saturday Aug. 15 south of Charlevoix.



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Joice Burns of Petoskey (right) walks with Laurie Cornett of Charlevoix during the 4th Relay for Life cancer walk. This year's walk was held across from Castle Farms off M-66 just outside of Charlevoix.



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Lynne Harvey (middle) and her daughters Sarah (far left) and Samantha walked during the 4th annual Relay for Life cancer fundraiser on Saturday Aug. 15 for their grandfather William Harper who died of cancer. The family is from Boyne Falls.

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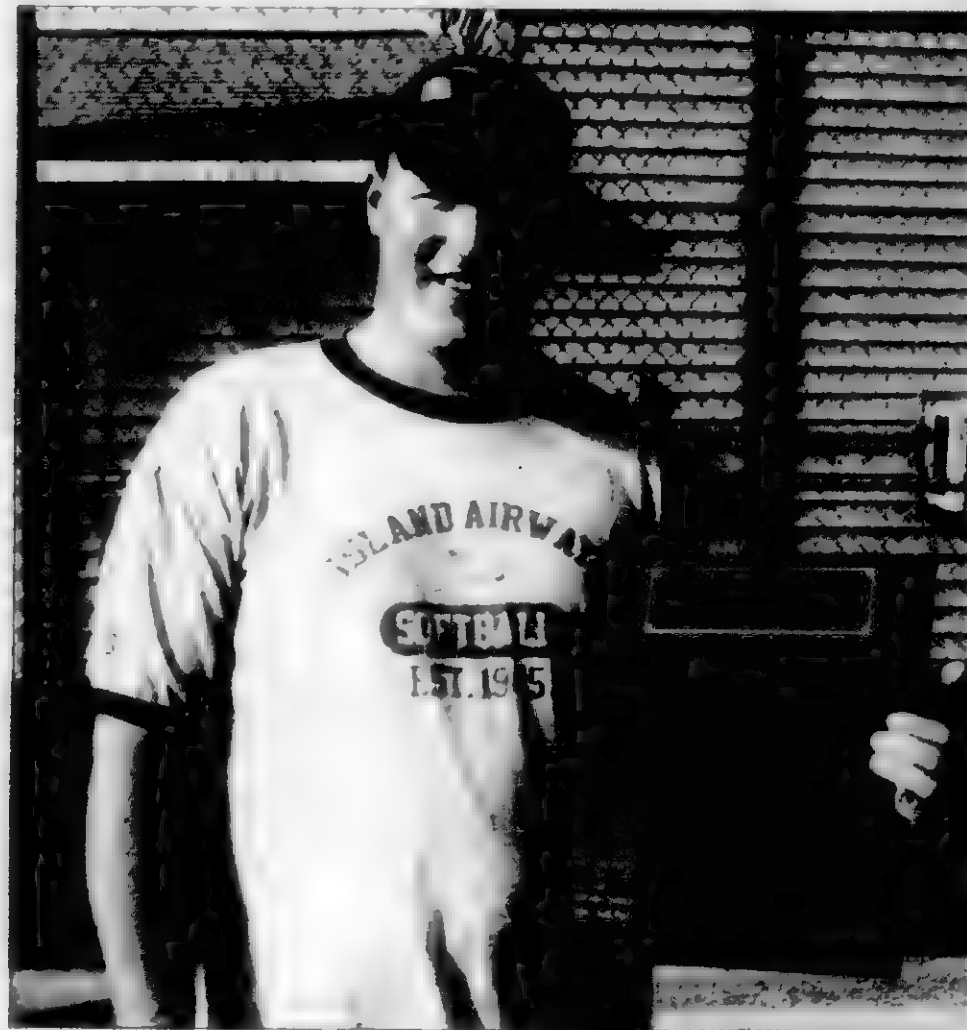
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Good sport

Chuck Pop a player for the men's slo-pitch Island Airways & McDonough's Market team, was awarded the 2009 Larry McBride Sportsmanship Award recently.



COURTESY PHOTO

Revving up for 4H soccer

Three hundred Charlevoix children are preparing to start the soccer season III Shanahan fields. The first game is Aug. 25. Rosters and schedules are available on line at charlevoix4hsoccer.com.



COURTESY PHOTO

Red Sox

The Charlevoix Recreation Department t-ball league Red Sox are pictured (front, from left) Richard Cunningham, Wyatt Kolk, Maxwell Ostrum, Elijah Sirmone, (back, from left) coach Corey Ostrum, Ian Clapp, Ben Sutton, Emma Deyoung, Lillian Murray and Philip Sterrett. The Charlevoix T-ballers had a eventful season this year. Teams came out on Monday and Wednesday nights rain or shine to play four innings and get an idea of what being a ballplayer is all about.

Softball Scores

AUG. 6

Carlson's Home Improvement 12 vs. Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 3

For Carlson's Home Improvement Chris Havens and Brandon Webb had a Triple.

Carlson's Home Improvement 16 vs. Island Airways & McDonough's Market 8

For Carlson's Home Improvement, Brett Erskine and Chris Waha had a Homerun and Jeff Novotny had a Triple.

Carlson's Home Improvement 12 vs. Island Airways & McDonough's Market 10

For Carlson's Home Improvement, Bret Erskine had a Homerun and Chris Havens had 2 Homeruns.

For Island Airways & McDonough's Market, Chuck Pop had a Homerun

AUG. 4

RGM Services 9 vs. Ace Hardware & Market Tech 1

For RGM Services, Danny Waldron and Eddie Waldron had a Triple.

For Ace Hardware & Market Tech, Butch Potter had a Triple. Island Airways & McDonough's Market 13 vs. Carlson's Home Improvement 12

For Island Airways & McDonough's Market, Cliff Jones had a Triple.

For Carlson's Home Improvement, Brett Erskine had a Homerun.

Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 12 vs. RGM Services 8

For Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire, Bob Williams had a Triple.

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Island Airways & McDonough's Market 13 vs. Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 5

For Island Airways & McDonough's Market, James Thomas had 2 Triples.

Carlson's Home Improvement 14 vs. RGM Services 8

For RGM Services, Mike Cross had a Triple and a Homerun

Flight Deck & Lakeshore Tire 11 vs. Wojan Window & Door 9

For Wojan Window & Door, Adam Wood had 2 Triples.

SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix baseball finish second

North Coast Imagewear 12U travel team finished second in the Frankenmuth Baseball Invitational this past weekend.

North Coast won their pool by defeating the Michigan Young Guns of Lapeer, 5-4, and the Essexville Hammers, 4-3.

They lost 9-4 in the tournament finals to the ANCA

Nationals of Commerce.

Against Young Guns, North Coast took a 3-0 lead keyed by a Will Telgenhof triple. Ethan Campbell squeeze bunt and Nate Moon single.

The Young Guns rallied to take a 4-3 lead headed in the 5th and final inning.

After two North Coast batters were retired to start the bottom of the 5th, Young Gun

pitchers walked four straight batters with Adam Michaud drawing a bases loaded walk to tie the game.

Minutes later, Devin Largent scored the winning run on a wild pitch.

Shane Sutherland threw three shutout innings, giving up only one hit and striking out five.

Against Essexville, North

Coast scored all four of their runs in the first inning on a Campbell walk, Moon single, walks to Kenny Gray and Austin Putman and a Telgenhof RBI fielders choice.

Kenny Gray was the winning pitcher, giving up two runs on only one hit and striking out six in three innings of work.

Sutherland pitched up the

save striking out three in two shutout innings.

Against ANCA, North Coast took a 4-1 lead in the bottom of the third on five walks and a two-run double by Largent.

Largent's hit was the only North Coast hit in the game.

Sutherland again was great on the mound, leaving with the 4-1 lead, having given up

only one run and one hit and striking out four in three innings pitched.

North coast couldn't hold on, though, as they scored five in the 4th and three in the 5th to take control.

This was North Coast's final tournament of the year. They finished with a record of 3-8 in their inaugural season.



COURTESY PHOTO

Slo-pitch tournament champions

The 2009 slo-pitch tournament champions are (front, from left) Jeff Novotny, Robert Russell, Dave Olach, John Kiernan, Mike Thompson, Brandon Webb, Christopher Bartling and (back, from left) Chris Havens, Chris Waha, Doug Waha, Kris Bartling, Brett Erskine, Boogie Carlson, Judy Putman, Tom Sandison. Not pictured is Dave McKenzie.

Lake Charlevoix Regatta results

The 4th Annual Charlevoix Yacht Club Lake Charlevoix Sunfish Regatta took place on Aug. 2 with nine boats registered to race in sunny and breezy conditions.

At least five others would have sailed but the previous day's Douglas Lake Regatta left several of the racers exhausted or with broken equipment.

The first race had gusts well over 20 knots and that was enough to claim three victims, leaving six boats to finish.

Derrick Fries of Clarkston had the win and was followed at regular intervals by Dan Norton, Tom Barnes, Dave

Travis, Tom Kattenheinrich and Austin Thom.

Thom put up a good fight but didn't have the weight to start the second race.

Despite moving the racecourse in closer to shore the second and third races resulted in at least one capsize and several knock-downs.

Fries won all three races. Norton and Barnes were consistently second and third, respectively.

Travis and Kattenheinrich had the best battle of the day which Travis won with two fourths and a fifth.

For the first time, the Lake Charlevoix Regatta and Douglas Lake Regatta were combined for overall with Fries taking first place honors by winning both events.

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Movement to another Zone within Michigan

Cattle two months of age and older must comply with one of the following prior to movement:

- Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or
- Originate from a herd that has received a negative whole herd bovine tuberculosis test within 12 months prior to movement, and receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Steers or spayed heifers are required to only have a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Cattle less than two months of age may be moved if they originate from a herd that has completed a whole herd test within 12 months prior to movement.

Cattle may be moved to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, or through one Michigan licensed livestock auction market to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, without meeting tuberculosis movement testing requirements.

Movement Certificate Requirements

A person transporting cattle is responsible for having the movement certificate(s) accompany the load of cattle and shall produce the movement certificate(s) upon request of a law enforcement officer or the director.

An official movement certificate is required to be obtained prior to movement of any cattle from any premises unless specifically exempted by the director. Cattle moved to a USDA approved livestock market may receive an official movement certificate upon arrival if they are delivered within designated arrival times, as designated by the director. All cattle with a destination of a Michigan licensed livestock auction market must receive a new official movement certificate that identifies the final destination of movement.

Modified Accredited Advanced Zone (Surveillance Zone) - This zone includes the remainder of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan.

Subzone 1 - This subzone includes the entirety of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, and Oshtemo counties.

Cattle Identification

Initial identification of cattle, including cattle identified for TB testing or issuance of movement certificates, must utilize an RFID electronic identification ear-tag. Official identification tags are premises specific and may not be transferred to another premises or used on cattle not included in the herd on the premises to which the tags were issued. All cattle must be identified with official RFID electronic identification ear-tags prior to movement from a premises within the Modified Accredited Advanced zone, unless being moved directly to a Michigan licensed livestock auction market, within the Modified Accredited Advanced zone, provided that the cattle are identified with an RFID electronic identification ear tag upon their arrival at the Michigan licensed livestock auction market, or unless specifically exempted by the director.

Surveillance Testing Requirements

All cattle herds which sell or move to another premises one or more cattle on a movement certificate for the reason of BREEDING must complete an annual whole herd bovine

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tuberculosis test of all cattle 12 months of age and older, and all goats, bison, or privately owned cervids six months of age or older in contact with the herd, unless specifically exempted by the director. Retesting of herds must be done within 9-15 months of the anniversary date of the initial whole herd test.

Any cattle herds which do not sell or move to another premises animals other than directly to a federally inspected slaughter plant or through a Michigan licensed livestock auction market directly to a federally inspected slaughter plant must have been tested on a 3 year interval as determined by the director.

All other cattle herds which move cattle that enter another livestock premises must complete a whole herd bovine tuberculosis test of all cattle 12 months of age and older, and all goats, bison, or privately owned cervids six months of age or older in contact with the herd every other year, unless specifically exempted by the director. Retesting of herds must be done within 21-27 months of the anniversary date of the initial whole herd test. The director will determine the date at which each herd must complete the first whole herd bovine tuberculosis test following the effective date of this order.

Any cattle herds which meet the requirements to be designated as freer beef herds are exempt from tuberculosis testing.

Movement within the Modified Accredited Advanced Zone

Cattle originating from herds that have been determined to have a Verified Wildlife Risk Mitigation Plan

No TB testing required

Cattle originating from herds that have been determined to NOT have a Verified Wildlife Risk Mitigation Plan

- Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or
- Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Calves less than two months of age may be moved if they originate from a herd that is determined to not be overdue on tuberculosis surveillance testing.

Cattle may be moved to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, or through one Michigan licensed livestock auction market to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, without meeting tuberculosis movement testing requirements.

Movement to another Zone within Michigan

Cattle originating from herds that have been determined to have a Verified Wildlife Risk Mitigation Plan

Sexually intact cattle six months of age or older must meet one of the following prior to movement:

- Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or
- Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Cattle less than six months of age, or steers and spayed heifers of any age, or cattle moving to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant or through one Michigan licensed livestock

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auction market prior to movement to an United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, do not need to meet tuberculosis movement testing requirements prior to movement.

Sexually intact heifers that are moving to an approved feedlot as defined in *Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, Effective January 1, 2005* do not need to meet tuberculosis movement testing requirements prior to movement.

Cattle originating from herds that have been determined to NOT have a Verified Wildlife Risk Mitigation Plan

Cattle two months of age and older must comply with one of the following prior to movement:

- Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or
- Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Cattle may be moved to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, or through one Michigan licensed livestock auction market to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, without meeting tuberculosis movement testing requirements.

Movement Certificate Requirements

A person transporting cattle is responsible for having the movement certificate(s) accompany the load of cattle and shall produce the movement certificate(s) upon request of a law enforcement officer or the director.

An official movement certificate is required to be obtained prior to movement of any cattle from any premises unless specifically exempted by the director. Cattle moved to a USDA approved livestock market may receive an official movement certificate upon arrival if they are delivered within designated arrival times. All cattle with a destination of a Michigan licensed livestock auction market must receive a new official movement certificate that identifies the final destination of movement.

Subzones 2 and 3 - Subzone 2 consists of the entirety of Arenac, Clare, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Kalamazoo, Missaukee, Oshtemo, Roscommon, and Wexford counties, and those portions of Ogemaw and Isabella counties not included in the Modified Accredited zone and Modified Accredited Advanced zone Subzones 1 and 2.

Cattle Identification

All cattle must be identified with official RFID electronic identification ear-tags prior to movement from a premises within Michigan, unless being moved directly to a Michigan licensed livestock auction market within the Modified Accredited Advanced zone provided that the cattle are identified with an RFID electronic identification ear-tag upon their arrival at the Michigan licensed livestock auction market, or unless specifically exempted by the director. Official identification tags are premises specific and may not be transferred to another premises or used on cattle not included in the herd on the premises to which the tags were issued.

Surveillance Testing Requirements

All cattle herds shall obtain a prem-

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ises identification number, and be placed into a database from which herds will be selected for whole herd testing in a bovine TB surveillance program approved by the director. Selected cattle herds, or herds selected as a replacement for herds determined ineligible for testing, shall be subject to whole herd testing of all cattle in the herd 12 months of age and older, and all bison, goats, and privately owned cervids six months of age or older in contact with the herd. This testing shall occur within 90 days after the person responsible for herd management receives notification that a whole herd test under this surveillance program is due and necessary.

Movement Testing Requirements

Movement to another Zone within Michigan

Sexually intact cattle six months of age or older must meet one of the following prior to movement:

- Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or
- Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.

Cattle less than six months of age, steers and spayed heifers of any age, or cattle moving to a United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, or through one Michigan licensed livestock auction market prior to movement to an United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service approved slaughter plant, do not need to meet tuberculosis movement testing requirements prior to movement.

This order supercedes and replaces the order that established zones effective May 1, 2008. (L 8/19)

Sexually intact heifers that are moving to an approved feedlot as defined in *Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, Effective January 1, 2005* do not need to meet tuberculosis movement testing requirements prior to movement.

Movement within the Modified Accredited Advanced Zone

No tuberculosis testing is required for movement of cattle within the zone, or through a Michigan licensed livestock auction market to a final destination within the zone.

Movement Certificate Requirements

A person transporting cattle is responsible for having the movement certificate(s) accompany the load of cattle and shall produce the movement certificate(s) upon request of a law enforcement officer or the director.

Movement to another Zone within Michigan

An official movement certificate is required to be obtained prior to movement of any cattle to another zone within Michigan, unless specifically exempted by the director. Cattle moved to a USDA approved livestock market may receive an official movement certificate upon arrival if they are delivered within designated arrival times.

Bovine Tuberculosis Free Zone (Disease Free Zone) - This zone includes the entirety of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Cattle Identification

All cattle must be identified with official RFID electronic identification ear-tags prior to movement from a premises within Michigan, unless being moved to a Michigan licensed livestock auction market

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Bike and blade competition

Tanner Geer, 14, of Charlevoix, approaches the step up at the Charlevoix Community Skate Park during the annual Big Grin skate, bike and blade competition.

Costs likely to go up

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was a little over \$176,000," he said. "When you look at the

number we're proposing for our capital plan it really isn't much." As townships will not set their next budgets until next summer, the city has no plans to levy the

millage—pending townships' approval—until as late as next summer.

"If a township says 'no' we have a couple options," Ivan said. "We will respond fight the fires and save the lives. And then, when it's all done, we will show up and present a bill of what it cost."

He added, "All we are looking to do is level the playing field as city council has directed us to do."

Since so many calls generated from Charlevoix Township due to Boulder Park Terrace nursing home and Charlevoix Area Hospital, those calls were left out of the cost averaging the city completed.

"That way Charlevoix Township is not stuck footing the bill for all calls from the hospital," Ivan said. "Those (hospital and boulder park) are assets to the area and the costs of those should be shared."

The City of Charlevoix had the highest call volume with an average of 94.5 fire/rescue runs with a contribution of \$283,594 each year.

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complete words or sentences but consistently leaves out letters or sounds from words. For instance, a child may substitute a sound or letter for one that is more difficult to say, such as substituting a "w" sound for an "r."

P.S. By age 6 to 7 months, a child should be trying to make consonant sounds, especially "b," "d," "m" and "n."

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Camp Charlevoix

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and management of the camp, until it closed in 1971.

Smith's son and daughter are expected to attend the reunion, as are "Chief" Reimann's grandson and his family.

Dan and Alice Ross, of East Jordan and Cincinnati, both have a history with Camp Charlevoix.

Dan was a camper from 1950 through 1954, and later, he came back as a counselor and taught riflery.

Alice worked in the camp's office and tutored campers. Ross recalls his time at

Camp Charlevoix as "among the best 12 years of my life." "When I came up here for the first time, I just loved this area," Ross said. "I learned how to shoot, camp, swim, sail and ride horses. Working (at the camp) was like a paid vacation. Those years were a very formative part of my life. We couldn't send our kids here because the camp had closed. That's why we bought a place up here."

Reunion attendees will gather from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 21 at The Charlevoix Historical Society's train depot, followed by a cookout from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

A walking tour of the old campsite at Oyster Pointe is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22, and will include a visit to one of the last cabins left standing.

Following, there will be a formal welcome at the train depot.

A special program and dinner are planned at 7 p.m., on the grounds of the Belvedere Club, at the casino.

Anyone with a connection to Camp Charlevoix is encouraged to attend the reunion.

Information is available at www.campcharlevoix.com, or by contacting Dan Ross at 547-2007.

Joy carries on '100' tradition, with a twist

Carrying on the tradition, but with a little twist.

For years, Belvedere Golf Club professional Steve Braun, displayed his talent and perseverance in his annual 100 Holes in a Day fund-raiser for the Charlevoix County Junior Golf Association.

Braun retired from the club last year after his final '100', and has passed the torch to Marty Joy, who is now the head professional at the Belvedere after working under Braun for years as an assistant.

Joy has targeted Monday, Aug. 24, for his first '100', but with an added twist: He will play with hickory clubs and golf attire from the 1920s and '30s.

Joy, a member of the Society of Hickory Golfers, regularly plays in the events that utilize equipment and apparel from the days of Walter Hagen and Gene

Sarazan. While utilizing period equipment and garb is nothing new to Joy — he is one of the top players on the Hickory Circuit — playing 100 holes under these conditions is unusual.

"I'm sure I can do it," Joy said, "although the most holes I've played in a day as a Hickory golfer is 54 holes. I have the motivation of helping area golfers learn about golf when enrolled in our outstanding program."

"When you compare our current clubs and all the technology to the clubs Marty will be using, you wonder how he could agree to play 100 holes with them," said Dean Davenport, executive director of the junior golf association. "He has worked as a volunteer teaching pro in our program since its beginning and is highly motivated to continue Steve's fund-raising tradition."

Braun's and now Joy's '100' fund-raising effort directly benefit the much-acclaimed junior program. Each year, up to eight members for the junior program are selected to attend a week-long golf camp at Ferris State University. In addition, each year, two former members of the junior program who are headed to college are selected to receive book scholarships from the association.

The public is encouraged to participate in Joy's 100 Holes in a Day. Spectators can view the event as early as 6:30 a.m. He is expected to complete 18 holes at approximately 2 1/2-hour intervals. He should finish his final holes at about 6:30 p.m.

Those wishing to make a pledge or contribute to the junior golf program may do so by calling Joy at the Belvedere Golf Club, 547-2611; or Davenport, 547-6433.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

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Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays August through Sept. 5, at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is 1 p.m. through 4 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays in August. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurlbut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the

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Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support

Meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

Local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Circle of Strength

In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains

open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

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• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers. • Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesdays through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

NEW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League
Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

AUG. 20 THROUGH AUG. 27

The Jordan River Arts Council is announcing the schedule for the summer 2009 Artists Gathering, with the theme of "Visions and Visions." Each site has been chosen for its open vista as well as features of interest for those who like a more confined focus.

There is no fee, and artist can choose any media to create.

Aug. 20 - Bellaire Bed and Breakfast, 2112 Park St., Bellaire.

Aug. 27 - Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St., East Jordan.
Call (231) 582-6399 for more information or go to www.jordanriverarts.com.

AUG. 22 THROUGH AUG. 24

East Jordan area events
Aug. 22 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday pig roast Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser. Cedar Bend Farms 1021 Doerr Road, Mancelona, MI 49659. Call (231) 587-8126. Food, music, silent auction for all ages. Adults \$15, kids

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Aug. 24 - 6 p.m. Monday, spaghetti dinner at Caruso's Family Dining, U.S. 131 Alba. \$6 per person. Alba Legal Action Fund Fundraiser

AUG. 22

Stuff the Buses

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 22, you can help the Char-Em United Way help needy students by stuffing the bus with school supplies.

Buses will be located in both Kmart Plazas in Charlevoix and Petoskey.

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Drop-boxes are located at Family Dollar, Pellston; Kmart, Walmart, Dollar Tree and Bed Bath & Beyond, Petoskey; Kmart and Dollar Tree, Charlevoix.

Volunteers are needed to staff the buses from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Aug. 22 and help sort supplies.

To volunteer, contact Julie at 487-1006 or at info@charunitedway.org.

A work bee to sort, count and prepare the school supplies for delivery will take place at the Red Cross Building on Sept. 1, contact us if you have time to help.

Char-Em United Way is also accepting monetary donations to purchase school supplies for students in need. Donations should be mailed to Char-Em United Way, PO Box 1701, Petoskey, MI 49770, with Stuff the Bus noted, or use one of the donation boxes available at the buses.

AUG. 29

ORV training

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider offers an ORV training class for those citizens who need to comply with the new Michigan State law and Charlevoix County ordinance on ORV operation on our county road system. Training will take place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office training room.

Registration required at www.charlevoixcounty.org and go to the "Sheriff's" link to fill out the application and forward the typewritten application to the Sheriff's Office, 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, with attention Deputy Genna Gauthier. You may

also e-mail your application to gauthier@charlevoixcounty.org. Call 547-4461 for more.

Picture ID is required by all students.

SEPT. 7

People are encouraged to gather at the Townhouse Bar in Charlevoix at noon on Sept. 7 for the annual Little But Mighty Bridge Walk. The walk, which will originate from the north side of the bridge, occurs at 1 p.m. People are encouraged to purchase a 2009 Bridge Walk T-shirt, the proceeds of which will benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Bank. Shirts cost \$13 up to extra-large. Shirts which are extra-extra-large and extra-extra-extra-large cost \$16.

SEPT. 18

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieb@charlevoixcounty.org

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II
Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III
The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Breast cancer benefit
The fifth annual Trail for Triumph for the benefit of Breast Cancer Research at Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

A new saddle will be awarded to the rider raising the most pledges.

Riders must raise a minimum of \$200 in sponsor pledges to qualify.

For more information, go to www.trailfortriumph.org or contact Lisa McFarlan

at (231) 582-6165.

Lions collect glasses
The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979

COMMODITY PICK-UP

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

SEPT. 18 THROUGH 20

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Don't miss these featured community events coming up

AUG. 19

• At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday Aug. 19, the Norwood Area Historical Society will host Chris Miller, author of a book that details the history of the mental hospital of Traverse City.

He will talk about the secrets of this institution. All are welcome and the meeting will be held at the Norwood Schoolhouse.

AUG. 22

• The Friends of the Jordan / POWER (Protect our Water and Environmental Resources) invite the public to attend a Pig Roast Fundraiser from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Aug. 22.

Baked beans, sweet corn, watermelon and strawberry shortcake are also on the menu.

The Pig Roast will take place at Cedar Bend Farms, 1021 Doerr Road, near Mancelona.

There will be live music and a silent auction.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children 3 to 10.

Tickets available at the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic and at the door.

Proceeds will benefit the Defeat the Alba Injection Well fund.

For additional information, call 547-4820 or go to www.friendsofthejordan.org.

AUG. 24

• The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society

will host "10,000 Years of Northern Michigan Cultures" at 7 p.m. Monday Aug. 24, at the historic Greensky Indian Mission United Methodist Church's Susan Hall, located at 08484 Greensky Hill Road.

Guest speaker Petoskey native Frank Stead, whose family arrived in Northern Michigan in the 1840s, will talk about the people who lived here before the Europeans.

Many cultures have called northern Michigan home. Native Americans settled this area nearly 10,000 years ago.

Even before the Anishnabe called this land theirs, others traveled through and lived here.

Their long-forgotten history is found in the stories and in the land they shaped to their needs.

Their handiwork is part of the modern world and Charlevoix County.

Frank will share with us the history behind many of the artifacts he has collected that were used for utilitarian purposes throughout the lifetime of those who inhabited Northern Michigan thousands of years ago.

Frank spent 20 years in public education teaching classes in 19th-century geography and geology and has a master's degree from Central Michigan University.

This program is free and open to the public.

For more information go to

www.cchps.info or call (231) 883-9867.

SEPT. 10

• The Rotary Club of Charlevoix will host its annual "Porker" golf tournament, with the shotgun start at 4 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m., is Thursday, Sept. 10 at the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course.

The Rotary outing prides itself as being "The Affordable Golf Tournament," and in recognition of the difficult economic times has kept the entry fee at \$40 per person.

"In addition to a fun round of golf and a great meal, every participant in the tournament goes home with a prize that is donated by our generous local merchants," said tournament director Tim Petrosky.

The event is a four-person scramble.

The entry fee includes golf, a dinner buffet at Giuseppe's, and the traditional tournament trademark: prizes galore.

Prizes will be awarded based on skill, luck, random draw, and to teams that finish first, last and right in the middle.

Registration forms are only available at the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course pro shop.

The event is limited to the first 20 teams that register.

An optional skins game and "mulligans" will also be available to teams.

For more information contact Tim Petrosky at 547-0183.

AUG. 25

The launch of Patti Aikin's new book is 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 25 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

The book is the story of a boy traveling north on a train who is whisked away by a native American spirit guide, then taken back into our northern Michigan history.

Written by Aikin, the book has been illustrated by 14 area artists and costs \$35.

Readers can discover clues to the whereabouts of a real-life \$5,000 treasure, then enter to win with the right answer.

This project supports Charlevoix Area Hospital and the Crooked Tree Arts Center.

Call 547-8502 for more information.

East Park is Open... Visit Soon!

For several years, environmental work has been underway at Resort Township's East Park to address problems left behind from the old cement plant that used to operate along the Lake Michigan shore. That work has been successful and one of America's most beautiful public parks is again open. Thanks to all who helped make it happen!

To obtain more information about the work done at East Park as part of the Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit: protectingourbay.com.

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Blue Sox

The Charlevoix Recreation Department t-ball league Blue Sox are pictured (front, from left) Avery Zipp; Paige Carson; Allison Sape; Audrey Thompson; Lily Woodgate, (back, from left) Elliott Tiltonson; William Glass; John Sauer; Brandon Schwenke; Cameron Roloff; Sam Dixon and coaches Mabel Carson and Paul Schwenke. Not pictured is coach Brian Carson.

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Living history
rebuilt in CharlevoixBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

From the road it may look like an abandoned farm, but 140 acres off Ferry Road in Charlevoix is now home to living history.

Tillers International, a group dedicated to farming using animal power, blacksmithing and other traditional skills is now working to restore the Inwood Farm to a real working farm and visitor center.

"Much of the land is going to be returned to its natural state with some of it to be used for turn of the century (20th) buildings," said Tillers International member Mark Maier. "We're going to rebuild the slaughterhouse—it's going to be used to house oxen."

Maier, a former carpenter of 20 years in the Grand Rapids area, became interested in the Tillers' historical living farm concept nearly 15 years ago.

"I started going down to help with raising days and took their timber framing class," he said. "Their goal is to preserve our rural technologies and skills and share that with the rest of the world."

Tillers use hand tool techniques and giant wooden beams to create old-fashioned timber frames for barns and similar farm structures. Then, they call volunteers in to help erect the structures using simple machines and technology from days gone by on their raising days.

"They teach blacksmithing, coopering, which is making buckets and barrels; cheese mak-

ing; fiber work, broom making and all kinds of hand wood working," Maier said. "I like the hand woodworking aspect of timber framing and the back to basics nature of the skills that are involved."

"I guess I'm a bit counterculture-ish," he added.

The plan for Inwood Farm of Charlevoix is to grow vegetables and fruit, raise animals for meat, milk and cheese, chickens for eggs and run the farm off simple machinery powered by man and animals.

Eventually, Maier said, the farm will host classes similar to the ones taught at the Tillers International headquarters in Scotts which is nearly 70 miles southeast of Lansing.

"I live there by myself working as an employee of Tillers," Maier said. "I'm the caretaker of this property, but eventually it's going to be used as an educational institution for a lot of the skills they teach (in Scotts) and getting school kids field trips out here, too."

Maier spent the last winter and spring making the cottage on the property livable and said people are welcome to come by and have a tour of the place.

In addition to teaching classes in Michigan, Tillers International members also take their skills to third-world countries.

"In Uganda, where they've had civil war for 20 years, a whole generation of people who knew how to farm with oxen power is gone," Maier said. "Tillers go over and teach the new

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Helen Dillon, an Ironton Ferry operator of more than 20 years, sounds the vessel's horn for six seconds as she departs from the east side of Ferry Road south of Charlevoix. The decision to blow the horn, which can sound more than 100 times on a busy day, was made in order to abide by United States Coast Guard rules and regulations.

Disturbing the peace: Ferry
horn has residents seethingBENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Aside from a diesel engine chug and murmur of boats at wake-zone speed, the Ironton Ferry area used to be relatively quiet—not any more.

Thanks to the United States Coast Guard's Inland Lakes Navigational Rule #34, the air is now filled with six-second blasts of a 120-decibel air horn up to 160 times each day.

"It's just awful," said Ironton resident Paul Witting. "We live about 500 feet south of the ferry on the east side of the narrows (of Lake Charlevoix) and we hear it every time."

Witting, a long-time resident of the area, said the horn has been blowing routinely for nearly a week now.

The horn must be sounded, according to coast guard rules and regulations #34, to alert

approaching or passing boats that the ferry is about to depart.

"We got complaints that the horn wasn't being blown regularly so we looked into it and it's the law," said Chairman of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners Chris Christensen. "We're just trying to adhere to the coast guard's rules."

The horn blast is nearly 120

decibels and, according to Ironton Ferry deck hand Leslie Herriman, it could be blown up to 19 minutes a day collectively.

Prolonged exposure to noises 85 decibels and above can cause hearing damage. A lawnmower scores nearly 90 decibels; and a jet on take-off scores nearly 140 decibels.

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BIRTHS

Conner Edward Baker weighing 9 pounds, 1 ounce was born Aug. 18, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Christine Poirot and Edward Baker Jr. of Boyne City. His siblings are Dylan Anderson and Collin and Daylan Baker. His grandparents are Kathy and Richard Poirot and Tracy and Quentin Musgrave all of Boyne City and Edward and Jen Baker of East Jordan. His great-grandparents are Sharon and Ken Willson and Naomi and Ed Baker all of Boyne City.

Macy Rae McConnell weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces was born Aug. 12, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jeanne Haberes and Ryan McConnell of Charlevoix.

CAR CRASH

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider reports Deputies responded to a head-on crash on Zink road in Wilson Township at about 3 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 16.

Deputies report Seth McCleese, age 19, of Charlevoix, was southbound on Zink road when he lost control driving a 1992 GMC Jimmy and crossed the center line col-

liding with a 2001 Oldsmobile driven by Timothy Shulick, age 27 of Boyne City.

Both drivers were wearing their seatbelts. The airbag deployed in the Shulick vehicle.

The McCleese vehicle was not equipped with airbags. Both drivers were transported to Northern Michigan Hospital by Boyne City EMS.

McCleese was cited for speed.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Joshua Leonard Cano, 20, East Jordan. Weapon-fires, receiving and concealing; home invasion, second degree. Sentenced to a minimum of 34 months to a maximum of 15 year sin a Michigan correctional facility with credit for 71 days in jail; \$28,614 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

John Napier Carpentry, 526 North Lake St., Boyne City by John Napier

Brush Creek Ranch, 04545 Boyne City Road, Boyne City, by Gerri J. Schurman

Serenity Gardens, 06115 Townsend Road, East Jordan, by Marcia Gibbard

Berlage Administrative Services, 1009 St. James, Charlevoix, by Jim Berlage

Vicki's Cleaning Services, 5613 Webster Bridge Road, East Jordan, by Vicki Berlage

The following people were recently granted judgments of Divorce in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County:

Rebecca Lynn Bergmann vs. Donald Richard Bergmann

Clintworth Farms, 7635 Pincherry Road, Charlevoix, by Joseph Klintworth

From the Beach, 13795 Forest Drive, Charlevoix, by Carol L. Torres and Richard E. Torres

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Charlevoix Area Hospital welcomes new surgeon

COURTESY PHOTO

A busy medical group in Charlevoix has gained a new physician. Brian M. Dishinger, MD, recently joined Craig Wendt, MD, and Marc Lame, MD, in their general surgery practice. Dr. Dishinger, a graduate of Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, comes to Charlevoix from Ann Arbor, where he completed his surgical residency at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. There, in a large medical center, he participated in a wide variety of cases—from highly complex surgeries to routine structural repairs. But it was the small, personal character of Charlevoix's community hospital that drew him here. "There's more opportunity for direct, specialized care," he explains. "Patients and physicians have time to develop a good relationship." Dishinger and his wife Katie have four daughters and are making their home in Charlevoix. "I always wanted to be in an area with an excellent quality of life and a great family atmosphere," he says. "It's important to me that I be a good doctor and a good parent. Here, I believe I can achieve that balance." Dr. Dishinger's office is at 14700 Park Avenue in Charlevoix. The phone number is 547-2812.

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Witting said the ferry wakes him and his wife each morning at 6:30.

"It sounds about 10 times an hour in the morning," he said. "It's just so annoying—it's sort of an invasion of privacy."

Witting added, "You get agitated every time you hear it."

Since the board of commissioners oversees the ferry and its transportation authority,

Christensen said the matter has been turned over to the board's civil counsel John Jarema.

"Vance Wood (Ironon Ferry manager) tried to get a variance from the coast guard... I'm trying to figure out where that is," Jarema said. "Until we get something in writing saying we don't have to comply or they're not going to make us comply or we get a variance, my advice to them is they have to follow the law."

Due to the number of complaints to the county on this is-

sue, Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider is asking people with concerns to write letters and send them to his office.

"From a safety standpoint I truly believe the ferry can be operated without the routine application of the horn and to use the horn only in emergencies or other situations that may require,"

Schneider wrote in a letter to Eveline Township residents.

"However, the ferry operators have to follow the law as it presently stands."

Officials at the Ninth District Coast Guard headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio did not return calls by press time.

While none of the officials could say why rule 34 has not been followed for the last several decades, they were sympathetic to property owners within earshot of the air horn.

Letters of concern should be sent to 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, care of Sheriff Don Schneider, Ironon Ferry.

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She returned to Charlevoix to practice because it was a

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No good deed...

She wanted a Jacuzzi—bad; like a 10-year-old wants a BB gun.

Don't get me wrong. She not only deserves, but needs the Jacuzzi as 10 years of lifting the elderly as nurses' aide have left her lower back in a nearly constant state of excruciating throb.

Being a good sport, I agreed to shop around.

She fell in love with the six-seater model. It had a green marble pattern, dozens of jets, super heater, lights, music and more.

"A mere \$5,000," the salesman said.

Once I recovered from my mini stroke I reminded the wife that, while we are like the Clametts in so many ways, we do not possess their fundage.

Hopes dashed, the idea quickly disappeared from our lives. Then, one day on my way home from work I spotted a sheet of plywood with the words "Hot Tub, \$2000" spray painted at the end of a driveway.

The tub was missing a few parts which may or may not still be in production and it wasn't marble green, but Hot Tub Guy knocked a hundred bucks off the tag and trailed it to Gohs' Manner—the wife was thrilled.

Five movers and a hermitated disc later the tub was in the backyard. This wasn't one of your frail fiberglass jobbies, neither The shell on this baby was made out of solid pine 2x6s wrapped in

steel re-rod. I imagine they could have bathed Teddy Roosevelt in it: it was old enough and big enough.

It needed a paint job, power cord and some new PVC pipe, but all in all it had potential.

And then, as it so often does, fate caught a whiff of Gohs' happiness and began to sneeze uncontrollably. Apparently, you must park a Buick on a hot tub cover to prevent it from flying away during a thunderstorm—I did not know this.

The wife and daughter spent last Sunday bailing gallons of rainwater from the tub.

I, foolishly attempting to work on said Buick in my garage sanctuary, was beckoned to the tub by said wife and daughter—they got into the tub all right, but now their feet were wet and the step slippery and apparently I make a dandy railing.

And while you're back here, why don't you and your brother Jacob move the 400-pound tub closer to the house—it was only 90 degrees in the shade.

From her swing, Pharaoh graciously guided us, verbally, along the 20-foot move.

I ignored the twinge in my lower back as we rolled the monstrosity into place.

"Perfect."

Hunched, I waddled to the picnic table to nurse on lemonade.

I think I was seated nearly a minute before the bee landed on my shoulder.

I have a tendency to exaggerate for effect, but I have been known to jump from a slow-moving car to escape a honey bee in the backseat.

So, when the 13x11-sized bumble bee with what looked like an ice pick on his butt crawled up my neck, I be-

came a little unhinged.

Still hunched, and looking slightly like a frog on steroids, I sprang from the picnic table, flailing my arms and skipping in herky-jerky half-circles.

I battered my neck repeatedly but the buzzing death machine held tight. I charged the wife, still on her swing, my high-pitched screams drowned out only by my nonsensical swears—oh the swears.

"Is it gone? Is there anything on my back?" I screamed at the wife, who just sat there on the swing, eyes closed, head down.

"Look at me! God's sake, why won't you look at me?" She was laughing. Laughing so hard, in fact, that she couldn't breathe or move or look at me.

"It's still there," Jacob shrieked as he swatted it from my back just as it stung me.

The bee, possessed by Satan or possibly Ozzy Osbourne, flew around Jacob's hand and into his mouth—for god's sake, his mouth!

Unconvinced the bee was gone, I continued jumping and screaming and shaking the wife.

Suddenly Jacob ran by, spitting. He did a lap around the house before throwing himself down and rolling on the ground.

"I thought bumble bees could only sting you 'wunth," Jacob said through an engorged tongue.

"Stop it!" the wife yelled through snorts and cackles—apparently our suffering was dangerously hilarious.

The hot tub will remain disassembled until further notice.

Anyone with a 3X beehkeeper's suit can contact me at 492-9340.

WEEKLY POLL

What will Obama's health care plan mean for Charlevoix citizens and business owners?

Undue burden (162 Votes, 79%)

Positive move (32 Votes, 16%)

Not sure (10 Votes, 5%)

This week's poll question:

Should the Ironston Ferry follow the law and blow its horn upon departure?

No, it hasn't in the past • Yes, rules are rules

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Visitors

When we first moved permanently to Charlevoix about 15 years ago, a neighbor informed me that there are only two seasons in Charlevoix.

One, he said, was winter and the other was visitors. With visitor season winding down, it would appear that we have only winter to look forward to.

It's time to examine the visitor season, clean the carpets, buy new sheets and mail back all the odds and ends left in some out of the way corner of the house.

We have a small house, and can really only accommodate about four extras at one time.

When the crowd gets too large, as with some family gatherings, Sharon and I are likely to leave the house to them, and check into a motel for the duration.

This was for us, a prime visitor season. Not too many,

and very little overlap.

Please understand, we love to have the opportunity to show Charlevoix and its wonders to anyone who happens by.

But we enjoy even more those who have been coming here for years and already know the place pretty well.

Our favorite visitors come from Iowa, and some have spent time with us annually for almost 20 years; sometimes camping in the back yard in earlier years and of late more comfortable indoors with us.

Much like watching a two year old screaming with pleasure in the Park Play Fountain, it is renewing to see someone still eager to buy fudge or stroll along the marina walk.

It is easy to forget, living in this place, that in much of the world, if you want fudge, you have to make it yourself.

And not every small town has a beautiful central park, three or four fine beaches, and sunsets over Lake Michigan.

Our guests are renewed

as well and sometimes remind us that they live on the stored images of Charlevoix in whatever dreary part of the world they usually occupy.

Well, dreary compared to Charlevoix in the summer.

Children and grandchildren are a different sort of visitor.

I'm pretty sure that among our children, at least a few of the visits are beginning to fall into the category of checking up on us, making sure that we do not yet get lost on our way to the grocery store.

We are pleased that they care enough to do that and wish that they lived somewhere closer to us.

While I recognize that having parts of families scattered around the country or the world is interesting in its own way, a significant part of me longs for the times when parents, grandparents, children and grand children seldom moved far from their original home.

Being in a place like Charlevoix that people want to visit whenever they can, family or not, is as close to that old-time ideal as we are likely to come.

So, here's to Visitor season.

We raise a glass to both their arrival and their departure and look forward to their next departure.

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How to talk to your teen

My mother's pragmatic advice horrified me. I know that she meant well. She was undoubtedly attempting to guide me in a direction that would secure my future and hedge against the possibility that I would wind up at her door in a babushka, clutching my raggedy children and pleading for sanctuary.

"It's just as easy to fall in love with a rich man," she said, "as a poor man."

At 16, my reaction was predictable: I looked at her like her hair was on fire, curled my upper

lip above the gum line and said, "Eewew."

I saw myself at a fork in the road with one arrow pointing toward Mrs. Thurston "Lovey" Howell and the other to Wilma Flintstone, and I took off into the woods.

I had studied "Romeo and Juliet" in English class, and I knew about love.

It was cerebral, serendipitous and sacred—it had nothing at all to do with trust funds or stock portfolios.

In fact, Shakespeare's doomed pair hailed from the castle district of Verona, and look where it got them.

Our family didn't live in a cardboard box underneath a bridge, but we weren't the jet set.

Where did my mom think that I would have occasion to hobnob with the elite?

Any plausible plan to infiltrate their ranks would likely involve a uniform or a name tag. And rich

boys seemed so dull.

My boyfriends were interesting and had many talents, none of them financially viable.

They could play the guitar and write poetry. They could've opened a locked door with a credit card, if they'd had had one.

Sensing my predilection for fringe types, I can only assume that my mother panicked.

I knew everything when I was 16, but I've forgotten most of it. What I do remember was that my mom's statement about wedding the wealthy made quite an impression.

It stuck with me like a burr: I pricked at privilege. I shunned the slumming socialite. I was only sort-of kidding when I wore a tee shirt with a skull and cross-boned knife and fork that said "Eat The Rich." I was a reverse snob.

Throughout the years, I've quizzed my friends and found that this bizarre recommenda-

tion is actually a parental platitude.

"Yep," my friend Susan told me. "Only my mom said, 'You might as well marry a prince as a pauper.' I was so insulted."

Shary had a similar story: "My mom opened my bedroom door when I was 13 and threw a copy of 'Twist Twelve and Twenty' on my bed. With tears in her eyes, she told me that I could learn to love anyone if I didn't have to struggle to pay the bills. That was it. That was my birds and bees talk. Neither one of us ever mentioned it again."

Bobbie Gentry wrote a song about it: "Here's your one chance Fancy, don't let me down," the mythical mom laments to her teenager. Explaining the tit for tat arrangement, Mrs. Fancy's Mom tarts up her teen and says, "Just be nice to the gentlemen, Fancy, and they'll be nice to you."

Twenty-five verses later,

Fancy strikes pay dirt in a red dress with a slit clean up her leg.

Her mother dies, the well-fire people take the baby and Fancy never looks back, which I think is just awful. But I suppose going through life with the name Fancy would be punishment enough.

It seems to be an old story, but I think it's old enough. I look forward to the day when we evolve beyond admonishing our girls to bitch their wagon to a Mercedes, merely for the sake of that satiny leather interior and superb German engineering.

And it doesn't work, anyway. Telling a teenager something so blatantly materialistic during the most dramatic and self-righteous period of their lives will almost certainly backfire. It may create a backlash so profound that the child will be compelled to retaliate.

A piercing bravado could

consume her dewy, marketable years, and also pretty much ruin family photos for how-ever long it takes her to snap out of it.

But if steering your daughter into a lucrative lifestyle is still a priority, I suggest a Br'er-Rabbit-in-the-briar-patch approach.

Forget the prince/pauper ultimatum and use reverse psychology. Try frequent diatribes against truffles and Louis Vuitton luggage and watch her eyebrows arch in interest.

Tell her that a woman's worth is not defined by the caliber of man that she can coerce down the aisle, and you'll be up to your eyeballs in cashmere-clad grand-babies in no time.

If your teenager actually listens to you and values your opinion, you're on your own.

Contact Christine Gwidt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

Anger can be unhealthy or useful

In an earlier column I spoke to the problem of anger, which has been a common theme among people passing through the counseling office lately.

In that column I tried to make a case for anger being a God-given emotion closely related to fear, an emotion people typically experience eight to ten times daily.

The Bible, that practical handbook for life, recognizes anger as part of our emotional tool kit, but cautions that it needs to be used as a force for good and not evil.

The Bible's most fundamental guidance is wrapped up in Ephesians 4:26 where Paul instructs us that it is fine to go ahead and experience anger, just don't let it get out of hand to cause you to sin.

So how does one be angry without it leading to sin?

The answer lies in the distinction between healthy, quality anger and the unhealthy, destructive variety of anger.

Healthy anger is guided and tempered by the Holy Spirit in a way that allows us to invest our emotional energy so something good comes out of it. Quality anger motivates us to confront evil and combat injustice in our lives and the lives of others.

Healthy anger can lead to the righting of wrongs and can act as a cohesive force in society and in relationships. It can inspire us to change our life situation for the better, and it is essential to a healthy self-esteem.

For the Christian, healthy anger can aid in presenting and defending their faith.

Unhealthy anger expresses itself in destructive behavior that damages relationships and upsets social stability. This sort of anger typically involves rage and violence, and often leads to emotional, verbal, or physical abuse. This aggressive, hostile form of anger destroys love. It interferes with clear thinking and problem solving, and makes it all but impossible to have a conversation that might calm the situation. Unhealthy anger divides families and communities.

The story of Cain and Abel in Genesis 4 is the first recorded murder in history, and offers a case study in how to mismanage anger.

Cain had an anger issue. It was not that he got angry, but that he stayed angry.

The incident that led to Abel's

murder began during a worship service in which each brother brought their sacrifice before the Lord. Abel brought his best, while Cain just did his duty. Abel gave from the heart, while Cain seemed to comply only grudgingly.

God liked Abel's sacrifice but told Cain his didn't measure up, which angered Cain.

The Lord confronted Cain on his anger and offered him another chance to get it right. Then He cautioned Cain to keep a grip on his emotions, for sin was ready to overtake him in his anger.

Cain did not take the advice to heart. He murdered Abel while they were together in the fields, falling victim to the jealousy, resentment, and anger that even today moves people to murder.

Cain lost control of his anger until it led to sin, and God punished him for it.

The story of Cain and Abel offers many lessons on anger. It teaches that we have to rule over anger or it will rule us. It teaches that there is a point of no return where anger gives way to sin, and after that the damage is great and the consequences dire.

And it teaches that when we involve God to help us understand our anger and gain mastery over it, anger becomes quality anger, not destructive anger.

So what are we to do with

this natural, normal anger to avoid knowing it turn to sin?

We know it is destructive to vent it, and unhealthy to stuff it.

We know that if we don't promptly work it out anger can turn to resentment, jealousy, and bitterness that poisons us from the inside out.

Again, the Bible offers practical advice.

God speaks to us there on the topic of anger just like He tried to instruct Cain.

Proverbs 15 tells us to use gentle words to turn away wrath, because harsh words stir things up.

Hebrews 10 tells us to leave revenge to God, and Psalm 37 tells us to forsake wrath because it leads to evil doing.

Throughout Scripture we are told to exercise control, to simply put anger aside, and be kind to one another. Many people don't believe they have any control over their emotions, but they are mistaken. You can exercise your intellect to impose your will over your emotions.

And the final, lasting solution to anger that threatens to boil over into sin: forgive. Take authority over your emotions, and exercise your will to choose forgiveness.

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A Hard Lesson in East Park

Concert series season ends national act

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Detroit area indie band "The Hard Lessons" will finish the summer concert series in East Park.

Recently featured in Vanity Fair Magazine, they have finished their seventh recording, an album titled "Arms Forest," produced by Zack Shipp and released in partnership with Quack! Media.

"I just like the metaphor of an Arms Forest," said band member Augie Visocchi. "The forest, in literature, is the forbidden place. It's dark, but there is also freedom there. An ability to do whatever you want."

He added, "That is the freedom we seek in our band. There were absolutely no rules during the making of this record."

Fronted by newlyweds Augie

and Korin Louise Visocchi. The Hard Lessons are known for their high-energy live performances and innovative sound.

The album's name is a play on the Forest Arms, a now-defunct apartment building in Detroit, and an image that has also been likened to a sea of reaching, waving hands.

Five years ago in Augie Visocchi's dorm room at Michigan State University, the idea for the band took shape. "We recorded six songs on my four-track," he recalled, "recruited a drummer, won some cash in a battle of the bands, self-released a 45, and went on tour - all in the first six months."

Their song "Wedding Ring" was featured in an episode of "Grey's Anatomy," and "Wicked Man" in an episode of "Friday Night Lights."

The Hard Lessons have toured extensively in the United States and Europe and have recently released videos from the "Arms Forest" album.

The band's original material showcases the understated vocal harmonies of the Visochis.

DDA Executive Director Keith Carey worked with an Ann Arbor talent agency to bring an eclectic mix of talent to the summer concert series.

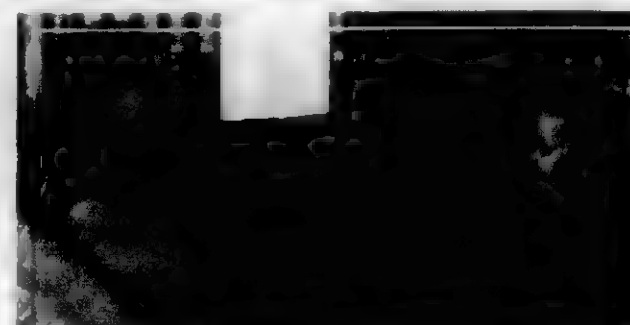
"What I try to do when I book our series is to have something for everyone," Kerry said. "The Hard Lessons is an example of trying to bring in a group that's not something you'd find in a traditional lineup."

Carey added that attracting the most talented performers is what the summer concert series is all about, and often artists are interested in trav-

eling to the area. "I have no problem trading on Charlevoix's beauty and it's place as a vacation destination in the hearts of many when we book our program," he said.

The this last in a series of free summer concerts presented by the Downtown Development Authority will take place at 6 p.m. on Aug. 30 at the Clarence Odmark Pavilion in East Park.

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Front Porch turns 1

The Front Porch Cafe celebrates its first anniversary with a picnic dinner and concert featuring national recording artist, Jill Jack.

From 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. a picnic dinner will be served featuring brats, hot dogs, roast corn and beverage on Friday evening, September 4, under the pavilion in the new Ellsworth Community Park.

At 7 p.m. Jill Jack performs. The Picnic dinner and concert are by free-will offering. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to be comfortable.

In case of rain, the dinner and concert will be moved indoors to the Banks Township Hall.

For more information, please call (231) 588-2000. The Front Porch Cafe is a 501C3 non-profit organization.

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OBITUARIES

Lyle Maxim Gennett: May 4, 1930 - Aug. 18, 2009

Lyle Maxim "Max" Gennett, 79, of Charlevoix passed away August 18, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital. He was cared for during the last six weeks of his life by the caring staff of the Charlevoix Area Hospital, his family members and his many angels. He was born in Norwood on May 4, 1930, the son of Clifford and Margaret (Gornell) Gennett, and grew up there, later moving to Charlevoix and attending Loeb School. He met his wife Margaret Martha Hunt and they married October 22, 1949. After living in Detroit for a brief period, they returned to Charlevoix where Max worked for Jess Penn Great Lakes Fab-

rication.

From humble roots, born in a log cabin and raised in Northern Michigan "Max" was recognized for his many years of service as head groundskeeper for the Belvedere Golf Course. His beauty and challenging course were something he was very proud of. In retirement, he took up small engine repair and tool sharpening — a lost art that he took pleasure in because he enjoyed working with his hands. On a daily basis, individuals would show up at his small shop with anything from lawn mowers to steak knives that were in need of some tender loving care. The door to Gennett Sharpening will close, but a new

one to heaven has just opened.

Max is survived by his children, Judy (Tom) Sumner, Lyle (Gayle) Gennett, Dawn Gray, and his beloved dog Morgan all of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Jennifer and Paul (Erin) Sumner, Melinda (Matt) Spalding of Eagle, Michigan, Christie (Heath) Meir of Boyne City, Michigan; great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Alexis and Brianna Spalding, and Kaden and Koleton Meir; brother, Steve (Suzanne) Gennett; sisters Genevieve Brodin all of Charlevoix, and Mary (Ed) Stahulek of Joliet, Illinois.

"Max" was predeceased by his parents; his loving wife of 50 years,

Margaret (Hunt); his brothers Henry, Melvin and Richard, and sister Barb Russell. Max will be missed by his family, his customers and many friends including Vi Dinwiddie, Stella Pearl and Les Hurlbut.

A funeral service will take place Friday, August 21, at 11:00 A.M. at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, where visitation will take place Thursday, August 20, from 6-8 P.M. Burial will take place at the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Millard Logan Hand: May 31, 1940 - Aug. 19, 2009

Millard Logan Hand, 69, of Charlevoix, joined his Lord and Savior on August 19, 2009 at Northern Michigan Hospital after living with cancer for many years.

Millard was born in Petoskey to the late Millard and Alta (Bailey) Hand on May 31, 1940. He married Marian L. Croff on August 20th 1960. They had five

children; Deborah (Raymond) Johnson of Rock, MI, Daniel (Peggy) Hand of Angier, NC, Michael (Jennifer) Hand of Charlevoix, MI, Marcia (John) Shue of Pueblo, CO., and Russell (Tracie) Hand of New Port Ritchey, FL. They also have nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Millard is survived by his wife and children plus seven brothers; Gail (Paulene), Merle (Jane), Clifford (Suzanne), Robert (Myra), Louis (Elizabeth), Jerome (Margaret), and John (Becky) Hand and three sisters; Kate (Fran-

cis) Schantz, Edith (Don) Kellogg, and Carmen (Earl) Waite plus over 50 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one brother, Garthe (Joan) and three sisters: Betty (Al) Barber, Jean (Ernest) Archer, and Vera (Charles) Himebaugh.

Millard grew up on a farm in Bay Shore, Michigan. After marriage, he worked for US Plywood for a few years, and then Millard and his family dairy farmed for 30 years. When he became too ill to farm, he enjoyed remodeling and taking care of their home. Millard loved the Lord and was active in many ways at

the Community Church of God in Charlevoix, serving on the church board for many years, and was also active in the Michigan Farm Bureau for many years.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday, August 21st, at 2:00pm at the Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey. Visitation will be held at the funeral home today from 12:00pm (Noon) until the time of service. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Petoskey.

Memorial contributions in Millard's name may be given to the Community Church of God of Charlevoix.

Arthur E. Emmons: Aug. 30, 1918 - Aug. 20, 2009

Arthur E. Emmons, 90, of Charlevoix, passed away at his home on August 20, 2009. He was born August 30, 1918, in Muskegon, to C. Lewis and Maud (Wagley) Emmons. Art graduated from Pellston High School, and served in the US Army 75th Infantry in Europe during WWII. He married Helen J. Light in Norwood, and they made their home in Charlevoix where Art worked

for Kroger, having also worked for Kroger in Benton Harbor. Most of his life, he worked for Charlevoix Abstract and Engineering; retiring at age 65, he continued to work part-time until he was 80. Art loved to travel and had visited over 43 countries. He solved crossword puzzles and enjoyed music. Art loved all of his cats, especially Sister, who was always by his side

and wild flowers. Art is survived by his wife, Helen of Charlevoix; daughter, Deborah Emmons of Central Lake; son Mark (Susan) Emmons of Virginia Beach, Va.; brother-in-law, George (Marian) Light of Norwood; many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, the Charlevoix Humane

Society, Northern Michigan Regional Hospital Dialysis Center, Charlevoix Area Hospital, the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging, or the Charlevoix Senior Center. Visitation will be from 2-4 PM, and 6-8 PM on Monday, August 24, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. A private burial service will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Larry Lee Roth: July 24, 1940 - Aug. 18, 2009

Larry Lee Roth passed away suddenly on Aug. 18, 2009.

He was born July 24, 1940, in Clio, Michigan, to Harland and Hattie (Fischer) Roth. He was raised in Clio and graduated from Clio High School in 1958.

He worked briefly for General Motors, then joined the Army Reserve and served six months active duty.

He later attended Central Michigan University, graduating in 1966.

He married Elaine Crennel on August 12, 1967.

She predeceased him on Aug. 30, 2007.

Larry spent 30 years in the educational field as a teacher, coach, counselor and summer job coordinator, working for Flint Beecher and Saginaw Public Schools, where many students will remember him for his wit and humor.

He retired from Saginaw Public Schools in 1996. He and Elaine enjoyed their retirement years living on Lake Michigan in Charlevoix. Larry enjoyed photography

and wild flowers.

Surviving are brothers: Gordon (Virginia) Roth and Ronald (JoAnne) Roth, all of Otisville; Burton (Sharon) Roth of Clio.

Also surviving are his mother-in-law, Esther (Starr) Crennel, Saginaw; sister-in-law, Annette (John) Boyer and Carolyn (Marvin) Turner, all of Saginaw; Loreta (Harry) Meersma, Lansing; and brother-in-law Randy (Anne Marie) Crennel of Antioch, Tenn. Larry also leaves numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. A memorial service will take

place at 1 p.m. on Sept. 2, 2009, at the Horizon Center, 6200 State St., Saginaw, MI, 48603.

An additional memorial service will be held in Charlevoix at a time to be announced later.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or the American Heart Association.

Arrangements by the Winchester Funeral Home, Charlevoix, Michigan, (231) 547-2881.

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OBITUARIES

Graham George Barton: Died Aug. 23, 2009

Graham George Barton passed away on Aug. 23 in Charlevoix, Michigan.

He was 80 years old. Born in Detroit, he graduated from Mackenzie High School in 1946.

Mr. Barton resided in Livonia, Michigan for more than four decades before retiring to spend his winters in Tucson, Ariz. and summers in Charlevoix.

Graham is survived by his wife, Betty, whom he married in 1952, and his sons Gregory G. Barton of Lafayette, Calif. and Michael B. Barton of Boulder, Colo. He leaves behind daughter-in-law Suzanne and two grandchildren, Samuel and Joseph Barton, also of Lafayette.

He is also survived by his twin brother Bruce of Charlevoix and Singer Island, Fla. and his family and brother-in-law Peter Perona of Tucson, Ariz. and his family.

Mr. Barton enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps on Sept. 13, 1946 and, after completing basic training, he was sent to the Army/Navy school to be trained in combat intelligence where he became a specialist in topographic mapping and aerial photographic interpretation.

He was then assigned to the S-2 Intelligence section of the 8th Marines, 2nd Division. Upon discharge from the Marines Graham took advantage of the G.I. Bill and entered Lawrence Institute

of Technology where he received a degree in mechanical engineering. Graham began his career as a young man at Michigan Oven Company in Detroit, a major manufacturer of industrial heating equipment with facilities throughout the Midwest, Canada and the United Kingdom.

He retired in 1989 as Senior Vice President of Engineering and Manufacturing. Known as a leader and innovator in his profession, Mr. Barton's guidance was also sought by his family and many friends who valued his energy, ideas and can-do spirit.

Mr. Barton had many pastimes and hobbies including hunting, fishing and restoring military vehicles.

He was an active member of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, the Tucson British Car Register, the Biwanna Hunt Club, the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and the United States Marine Corps League.

Patriotic Marine, successful businessman, loving husband and father, loyal friend; Graham G. Barton will be missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Graham's memory can be made to the Northern Michigan Detachment of the Marine Corps League c/o 6398 Lightfoot Road Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or Focus on the Family, Colorado Springs, CO 80995.

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Pearl G. Rowe: Died November 2008

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etables and flower arrangements to generations of local residents, restaurants, and vacationers.

We often hear from generations of customers who reminisce of her famous \$5 bouquets or the succulent raspberries they had when their parents brought them to "Rowe's Garden."

Even after the passing of her husband, Grandma continued to sell fresh cut flowers well into her 90s.

Grandma Pearl was a truly special lady and was loved and admired by all who came to know her.

Her love of life reflected in the beautiful gardens that she kept. She was the beloved wife of the late John E. Rowe. Loving mother of Violet "Dee Dee" (the late Norbert) Dittmar and the late John Tomaszewski.

Proud grandmother of Wendi era company. He had a significant career in voice as a leading bass at Lake George Opera in New York and St. Louis Opera Theater.

Joseph was a lifelong supporter of the arts, antique collector and animal lover.

He is survived by his sister Dr. Ann Robbins Poindeux and longtime friend Andre Aeme, at whose home he spent many summers in Charlevoix. In retirement he was a resident of Brunswick, Ga.

There will be a service at Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix at 3 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 28.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Muskegon Museum of Art, 296 West Webster Avenue, Muskegon, MI 49440.

Joseph Clemmer Robbins

Joseph Clemmer Robbins was born Jan. 15, 1936, in Conway, Ark.

He died in Petoskey, Michigan at Hiland Cottage, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

His parents were Joseph G. Robbins and Iva Mae Clemmer.

He graduated with a bachelor of art from Hendrix College and attended Chicago Art Institute.

He graduated with master's degree from Indiana University. School of Music in the New Opera Program.

He taught voice at Shenandoah Conservatory of Music in Virginia and at Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri.

For more than 25 years he was a professor of voice and opera at Georgia Southern University eventually creating his own op-

(Gary) Stull, Perri (Garry) Frost, Dani-Sue Dittmar and John (Julie) Dittmar.

Great-grandmother of Andrew, Steve, Michael, Jessica, Lauren, Jeffrey, Riley, Carsen

and Katelyn and great great-grandmother of Tanner. Memorials may be made to Seedlings Braille Books For Children, P.O. Box 51924 Livonia, MI 48151

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Registration of bidders will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009, at the Michigan Constitution Hall, 525 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan.

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There will be a service at Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix at 3 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 28.

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American Red Cross blood drives

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BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE
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Designed by Earl Young in the 1940s, the fluid lines fool the eye like a funhouse mirror.

Stone erupts from the earth and fans out into a fence on

Park Avenue near Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Beyond that, organic and fluxing, is the mushroom.

Charlevoix residents, Lisa and Andre Radandt own one of the several distinc-

tive structures sometimes referred to as "mushroom

houses."

The subtle facelift performed on their guest cottage prompted "Martha Stewart Living" to feature the results in their August issue.

"It's quirky but it's perfect," Andre Radandt told the magazine. "People walk

by and think all we did was change the windows."

All but one of approximately 30 houses and other buildings designed by Young were built in Charlevoix.

They have been described as whimsical and unconventional, or as an undulating take on a 1920s bungalow.

Respecting the cottage's eccentricities, the Radandts worked with New York architect/designers Daniel Heighes Wismer and Gregory Dufner to lower the floors by about six inches.

This was done to preserve the sunburst-beamed ceilings—only seven and a half feet tall in some places.

The geometric stonework of the floor to ceiling fireplace was untouched, while the original concrete floor was replaced with a radiant heating system and slate from a quarry in On-

away.

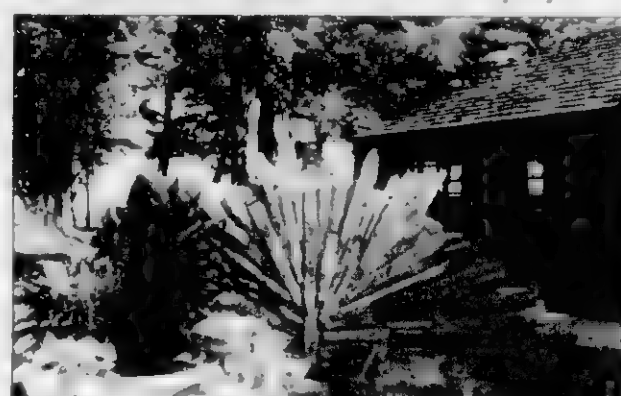
A desire to be green with the renovation required few changes to the façade, aside from new sconces and windows.

Six geothermal wells beneath the lawn eliminate any visible mechanics.

Repairs were made to the rippling stone wall.

The photos of the finished project reveal a house that is both cozy and glamorous.

A harmonious blend of masonry and Marilyn, this mid-century mushroom has returned to its roots.



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Charlevoix County CROP Walk

At 9 a.m. on Saturday Sept. 26—rain or shine—you can join in the Charlevoix County CROP Walk, a six-mile walk that will begin at three Charlevoix County locations, including Elm Point in East Jordan, Whiting Park in Boyne City and Charlevoix Middle

School in Charlevoix. Each location will conclude the walk at the Congregational Church in front of where David Phillips will provide lunch for all walkers.

This year, we are walking in memory of Dorothy Steel of Charlevoix. Both Doro-

thy Steel and David Phillips were responsible for founding CROP Walk in Charlevoix.

Organized locally, the Charlevoix County CROP Walk has set a goal of recruiting 100 walkers to raise \$20,000, which will work to combat hunger here in our

community as well as around the world.

Twenty-five percent of all monies raised here in Charlevoix County will come back locally to The Good Samaritan of Ellsworth, Care 'n Share of East Jordan, the Charlevoix Food Pantry, Sev-

enth Day Adventist and Trinity Pentecostal Church of God of Boyne City.

Last year, 87 walkers raised more than \$15,500 for the Charlevoix County CROP Walk.

Four local food pantries each received \$1,400.

The remaining funds helped to combat hunger and poor sanitation around the world, including the United States.

For more information about CROP Walk contact Marge Teske at (231) 536-3128, John Young at 547-2042 or Mary Richwine at 582-6035.

New directoress at Children's House

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE
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After two years as the assistant to recently retired director, Barbara Godwin-Chulick, Molly Arnold has been named the new director of Charlevoix Children's House.

Arnold took the position at the end of the school year in June.

"I'm very excited," Arnold said. "We just finished our summer camp program and it was a great success."

Arnold grew up in Charlevoix, returning with a degree in Language Arts Elementary Education from Grand Valley State University.

"I thought it would be really great to come back to the community when I got my teaching degree," said Arnold. "I fell in love with the whole Montessori system and the school helped to sponsor my Montessori Primary age certification."

Charlevoix Children's House has offered area families a Montessori-based alternative to daycare for 30 years.

The program is for children 2-and-a-half to 6 years old, and provides the opportunity for each child to explore their environment and develop interests at their own pace.

"Kids at that age really want the chance to make their



Molly Arnold

own decisions," Arnold said. "And, there are consequences—good or bad—for every decision. It teaches them a responsibility for the decisions they make."

Charlevoix Children's House is located at 08700 Mercer Boulevard in Charlevoix.

Arnold describes the "little red schoolhouse," the fenced play area and adjacent nature trail as an ideal setting for kids to learn and play.

"We call it a prepared environment," she said, explaining that the students also learn about community and independence. "The children can explore at their own pace."

Sept. 9 is the first day of the fall session, and Charlevoix Children's House is still accepting enrollment in all age groups.

For more information, call 547-5599.

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From 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sept. 4, the USCG Auxiliary will hold an open house at the Charlevoix Coast Guard Station. Anyone interested in the Coast Guard or Boating is welcome. You can find out what the Auxiliary is all about, what they do to help keep boating safe and to meet local Auxiliarists.

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sel. Some of the things Auxiliary members do is camera derie with fellow members, vessel safety checks, assist Coast Guard with patrols, assist local boaters in dis-

stress, Patrol watching for pollution, unsafe activity, floating debris and boating hazards, qualify local buoys and navigation lights, help staff the Coast Guard communications, train to gain and advance boating and rescue skills and much more.

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PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS

Oscar Fernandez (standing on the ladder) and Phillip Granforce from the construction firm of Mihm Enterprises out of Hamilton, work at restoring the historical light house in Charlevoix. This picture was captured by photographer and Courier reader Scott Richards.



PHOTO BY GARY FOSTER

Dr. Gary Foster of Charlevoix snapped this picture of two young bucks earlier this summer out at the C & O Club.



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Dr. Gary Foster was able to capture this vintage aircraft as it flew overhead during a July 4 airshow.



PHOTO BY GARY FOSTER

Tom Turkey was spotted in the grass at the Wingates' home out at the Charlevoix Golf & Country Club by photog Dr. Gary Foster.



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Sarah Boeckman (far left) Steve Boeckman and Dave Hickman are seen walking for the annual American Cancer Society's Relay For Life fundraiser on Saturday Aug. 15 near Castle Farms.

Relay a success

235+ area residents raised over \$36,000 to fight cancer

This past weekend, over 235 residents and friends from around Charlevoix County rallied together in their fight against cancer by participating in the Relay For Life of Charlevoix County the American Cancer Society's signature event.

The 4th annual Relay was a tremendous success, raising over \$36,000 to aid in the American Cancer Society's on-going programs of research, education, advocacy and service.

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life, a team-based fundraising event, is a unique, empowering and fun way to make a difference in the fight against cancer.

This past weekend, participants spent 24 hours at Castle Farms in Charlevoix, celebrating the lives of cancer survivors, remembering loved ones lost to cancer and fighting back against a disease that has taken too much from too many.

"Relay was an inspiring event. The sheer number of people that came to support survivors as they took their victory lap and the families there to remember loved ones lost to the disease by lighting a luminaria truly offered hope that one day cancer will not be a major health problem," said Lindsey Malpass-Skop, PR/Media Chair for Charlevoix County "Overnight, lives were changed forever."

At the heart of Relay For Life were two opportunities to pay tribute to those who have

battled cancer.

During the Victory Lap, 30 cancer survivors from the surrounding community walked a celebratory lap around the track together, signifying their victory over a disease which claims the lives of one in four Americans each year.

At sundown, 603 luminaria were lit in honor and in memory of those who have battled cancer. The candles continued to burn throughout the night, lighting a path that will one day lead to a cure.

The 2009 American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County was made possible by numerous community sponsors, committee members, teams, participants and donors.

"Relay For Life is a perfect example of the great results that can be accomplished through teamwork," said Jennifer Wilson, of Great Lakes Energy. "By joining together we built strong teams, raised money and united our community in fighting back against cancer."

Donations can still be made to American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Charlevoix County by visiting www.relayforlife.org and clicking on Find Relay Events.

As the Society's signature event, Relay For Life celebrates 25 years of bringing cancer survivors and anyone touched by the disease together. Held overnight in honor of the fact that cancer never sleeps, Relay For Life

has grown from a single event in Tacoma, Wash., that raised \$27,000 to the largest grassroots movement nationwide. More than 5,000 communities throughout the U.S. now host an American Cancer Society Relay For Life event and have raised more than \$3 billion for the fight against cancer.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information anytime, call toll free 1.800.ACS.2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

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generations how to use draft animal technology."

He added, "They teach solutions which can be maintained in that region, not just bringing an expensive piece of equipment and saying, 'Here, go at it.' They have to be able to maintain and repair in their own economy to build self-sufficiency."

While the Tillers teach hand tool techniques, Maser said he is not a purist.

"I use plenty of electric tools

when it's convenient and necessary," he said. "But, I do believe in self-sustaining. I have solar panels now and hope to get a windmill soon."

Inwood will eventually have a much larger garden, pasture and several more utility buildings.

A raising day and opportunity for people to get a free glimpse of what Tillers can teach is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday Aug. 27, Friday Aug. 28 and Saturday Aug. 29 at Inwood Farm on 17701 Ferry Road, five miles

south of Charlevoix.

The small timber frame barn will be erected by Tillers and anyone who wishes to help over the three day event.

Call (616) 634-9802 for more information.

Tillers exists from class fees and donations. Anyone interested in supporting this program can go to www.tillersinternational.org and send their monetary donations to Tillers International, 10515 East OP Ave., Scotts, MI 49088. Earmark the donation for "Inwood Farm."

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Charlevoix's Voisin to enter Michigan Motor Sports Hall of Fame

BY STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW

Faith is the ability not to panic.

That simple saying is written on the back of a clipboard Don Voisin stumbled upon and used as crew chief for his son and tunnel boat series champion Vince Voisin, a renowned racing champion who is followed in his father's footsteps.

"I use that saying all the time," Don Voisin said, glancing at that white clipboard at his office at Charlevoix Agency Inc. "We won a lot of races by just using our heads and not panicking.

If you're not prepared, you'll lose."

Losing wasn't something Don Voisin had to deal with much his own boat racing career.

A stellar career which ran just over 21 years and saw him win 10 Top O' Michigan Outboard Marathon National titles, Voisin will be inducted into the Michigan Motor Sports Hall of Fame at its annual ceremony Nov. 1 in Mount Pleasant.

Voisin, who'll turn 64 this month, will join the likes of Roger Penske, Jack Rousch, Henry Ford and Louis Chevrolet in the hall, which recognizes and pays tribute to citizens in Michigan who have given of themselves, whatever their roles in racing may have been.

Voisin is also believed to be the northern-most member to be selected into the Hall.

"It means something to me now more so than it did when I was (racing) back then," Voisin said. "It's nice to know that I've done something good and that I could give back to other racers.

"It's really going to be something."

Voisin, who was born in Cheboygan and grew up along the shores of Mullett Lake, is something himself. He's been involved in virtually every aspect of outboard racing including driver, race official, referee, boat builder, owner, mechanic and crew chief.

It started at the tender age of 10 when Voisin's father took him to watch the finish of the Top O' Michigan race.

From there, he was hooked and his career took off.

"I was a junior in high school and a group of people I knew had these crazy race boats," Voisin said. "Maybe it was those people that were my savior."

Voisin's first race victory came in 1968 at the Marathon National Championship in Trenton.

Following that, Voisin won various races across the country including stops in West Virginia, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

In 1972 and 1973, Voisin won 17 straight marathons.

"I had the will to win and I wanted to prove to people that I was good and that I was a winner," Voisin said.

Voisin began his career competing in Class B, and eventually moved to Class C and D. Piloting his famed No. 23 boat, the "Red Sled" won the Belle Isle Marathon for nine consecutive years and won that same marathon twice in 1973, running in Class C and D.

In the Top O' Michigan Outboard Marathon Nationals, Voisin won every race from 1970-78 (although no race was held in 1974 and 1975) and from 1980-82. Voisin had at least one win in every major marathon run in Michigan once he started racing.

"Some people must have noticed right away I was a really good driver and part of that reason is because I grew up right on Mullett Lake," Voisin said. "I learned how to drive really well in the rough water and that was my forte."

"I was never that fast until later in my career."

In 1968, Voisin was awarded the James Holden Memorial Award for scoring the most marathon points. Seven years later, Voisin was selected as charter inductee in the American Power Boat Association Region 6 Hall of Fame.

In 1982, Voisin was awarded the Joe Schwartz Memorial Award for sportsmanship in helping other drivers. Helping other drivers is something Voisin still cherishes.

"I've never charged anybody for my help," Voisin said. "I just like to help people out."

Former Top O' Michigan national champion and current race director Tom Fairbairn credits Voisin for helping him throughout his racing career.



COURTESY PHOTO
Former boat racer Don Voisin shows off his numerous wins from the 70s and 80s.

"Don Voisin passed it down to me and I just want to pass it down onto the next generation of drivers," Fairbairn said. "I owe a lot of credit to him."

Following his career, Voisin built boats, motors and equip-

ment won an additional 12 national championships. Voisin stepped aside from racing in 1982 because of chronic knee problems.

"Once I retired from racing, people would ask me and I'd let

my secrets out," Voisin said. "I loved being prepared. Once I started winning and once Vince started winning, we were never once disqualified from a race."

"He (Vince) and I both had some driver's infractions and some fights on shore, but boats, motors and equipment was all 100 percent legal and I'm darn proud of that."

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"An old friend of mine, Jake McCourtie, called me and let me know I was selected," Voisin said. "He was on the committee

and they said it was the best application they've ever received."

Voisin will be joined by his wife or 40 years, Vicki, and children Vince and Wendy Jensen, at the induction.

As for his speech, Voisin is still

working on it.

"I have some things written down and I've started it three times," he said. "I have a legal pad at home, but I don't know what I'm going to say."

Voisin still is active in the

Top O' Michigan Marathon Association, win which he serves as chair of the Classic Division and can be often seen roaming around the pits area.

Although he hasn't set foot in a race boat since 1992 help-

ing Bryan Lauer to get his boat to turn on Lark's Lake or hasn't watched the finish of the Top O' Michigan Marathon since his driving days, Voisin said boat racing is still a big part of him.

"I just believe that boat racing over the years has helped me and helped a lot of other people," Voisin said. "I've been involved in boat racing for 40 years, but this (induction) really makes me feel good."



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Green Sox

The Charlevoix Recreation Department t-ball Green Sox are (front, from left) Madelyn Sandtson, Emily Olach, Garrett Bemis, Jacob Beaudoin (middle row) Luke Snyder, Jackson Bemis, Jacob Snyder, Jacob Claffin Coaches Jim Bemis and Mark Snyder. Missing is Drew Lowell.

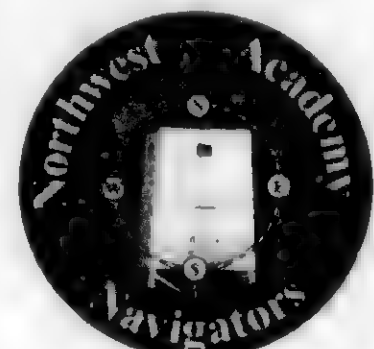
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Custer named northern Michigan sole Steelcase dealer

In addition to remaining the one and only authorized Steelcase dealer in West Michigan since its inception in 1981, Custer Workplace Interiors was recently named the exclusive Authorized Steelcase Dealer for the Northern Michigan and Upper Peninsula territories.

Scott Custer, Senior Account Manager and son of founder, David Custer, explained, "We're one of the most comprehensive workplace furniture and interiors dealers in

Michigan. In addition to our partnership with Steelcase, Custer also represents over 200 additional manufacturers and suppliers of workplace furnishings, as well as a host of products related to workplace design and function."

From home offices and small businesses, to mid-sized companies and expansive environments like medical and educational facilities, Custer creates, enhances and manages workplaces top to bottom, start to finish.

"We take pride in being able to offer optimum solutions for a very broad variety of workplace environments," Custer said. "We not only deliver a complete range of products, including interior architecture, flooring and technology products, we also present a full suite of services like interior design, facility management, build-outs and interior enhancements."

Custer is known for a history of superior customer service - as evidenced by their

recent Steelcase Exemplary Dealer Award recognition.

"It is important to my family that our actions always be guided by fairness and integrity, and that customer satisfaction is always our top priority," Custer said. "We look forward to really impacting Northern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula, giving them the service they expect and deserve."

Learn more about Custer Workplace Solutions and see a complete list of products

and services at custerworkplace.com.

Custer Workplace Interiors provides high-quality workplace furnishings, including architecture and technology products, for a wide range of work settings.

From small-business offices to medical and educational facilities, Custer consistently delivers tailored solutions that fit any budget. Headquartered in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Custer also has sales offices

and representatives based in Kalamazoo, Benton Harbor, Traverse City, Marquette, Petoskey, Harbor Springs, Charlevoix, Sault Ste. Marie, Alpena and Oscoda.

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Tour fall colors with evening cruises New business offers luxury charters

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A new charter boat service is coming to Charlevoix that will offer evening color tour cruises or take you anywhere you want to go.

Keweenaw Excursions offers a 100-foot power boat called the Keweenaw Star which can handle 149 passengers and offers a full bar, catered meals, restrooms, and several viewing decks.

"We've been operating in Houghton for the past 10 years and there is just not enough pas-

senger base, so we want to get some place with more consistent tourist traffic, more consistent business," said Keweenaw manager Jason Funky.

Funky operates the Keweenaw Star with his father Fred and brother Craig, each of whom have their 100-ton master's license.

Tours will begin from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sept. 11 with sightseeing on Lake Michigan and Round Lake at a cost of approximately \$25 per person.

The sightseeing tours will be

Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays with charter service available any time.

The tours will continue through October or when the color change of the leaves has finished.

Funky said he also is planning some music cruises with live bands.

The Keweenaw Star will dock in Charlevoix where the Acacia center once called home.

Funky is formerly a third mate for the American Steamship Company and a graduate of

the Great Lakes Maritime Academy.

For more information, call (906) 482-0884, e-mail krag@pasty.com or go to www.keweenawexcursions.com.

The company employs six people currently.

The company will begin heading toward Charlevoix on a light-house cruise beginning at 8 a.m. on Sept. 6.

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Within the last few weeks, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced that over-the-counter (non prescription) pain medicines such as aspirin and acetaminophen (Tylenol) will be required to carry new and more prominent warnings related to the possible risk of stomach bleeding and liver damage from the use of these drugs. The liver damage relates to long term use of high doses of acetaminophen, or when this drug is taken by persons who also drink three or more alcoholic drinks each day. The FDA feels that it should warn consumers who often unknowingly take multiple products that contain these ingredients.

One report indicates that the new warning, which was first proposed over 2 years ago, will apply to the highly used prescription and nonprescription drugs known as NSAIDs (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs). This group includes ibuprofen and naproxen. While some drug manufacturers have already changed their product labels, an FDA spokesperson indicates that all companies that make and distribute such products must do so within 12 months.

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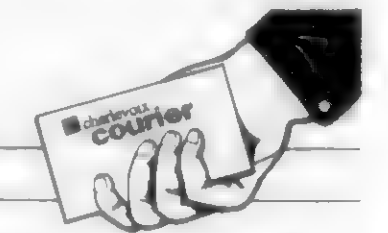
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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 5, 2009

For more information, please call: F.C. (248) 593-1302
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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Lots 24 and 25, P.P. McIntire's Addition to the Village of Boyne (now City), according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 68.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 12, 2009

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on September 23, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: AN UNDIVIDED 1/7 INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING: COMMENCING AT THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST ALONG

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Dated: August 20, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SHELLEY KONDRAT, A MARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 29, 2007, and recorded on May 31, 2007, in Liber 805, on Page 321, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assignee, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Twenty-Seven Cents (\$44,267.27), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on September 23, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point in the centerline of Spring Valley Road which is South 00 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East, 807.02 feet from the corner common to said Sections 18 and 19, Town 33 North, Range 4 West, and Sections 13 and 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West, for the Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East along the town line, 200.00 feet; thence North 69 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds West 375.00 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 33 North, Range 5 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 29, 2009

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
(L-8/05/8/12/8/19/8/26)

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Susan Stemen and Michael Stemen, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 1, 2007, and recorded on November 15, 2007 in Liber 827 on Page 80, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to US Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Eighty-Two And 06/100 Dollars (\$324,082.06), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tamara J. Sutton, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 21, 2004, and recorded on December 30, 2004 in Liber 660 on Page 121, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Five And 86/100 Dollars (\$237,905.86), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 4, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of St. James, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Lot 18, Lookout Point, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats, page 50, Charlevoix County Records, except right of way over Private Road now in place to owners of Lots 18 and 17 of same plat which are in Maintenance of said Road as set forth in the Warranty Deed recorded in Liber 183, page 233, Charlevoix County Records.

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 12, 2009

For more information, please call: F.C. (248) 593-1313
Trot & Trot, P.C.
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48334-2525
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Dated: August 5, 2009

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

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Western of said section North 00 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds East 121.69 feet to a point in the centerline of Call Street, being the point of beginning of this description, thence continuing along said Section line and along the centerline of said street North 00 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds East 320.47 feet; thence South 89 degrees 19 minutes 13 seconds East 33.00 feet to a 1/2-inch rod on the East line of said street; thence continuing South 89 degrees 59 minutes 13 seconds East 403.99 feet to a 1/2-inch rod on the East line of said street; thence continuing South 89 degrees 59 minutes 13 seconds East 33.00 feet to the point of beginning; being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 33 North, Range 6 West.

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Dated: August 12, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne E. Boss and Sandra L. Boss, Mortgagee to CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK, Mortgagee, dated June 8, 2004, (recorded in Liber 619, Page 282, Charlevoix County Records) and modified by agreement dated July 23, 2004 (recorded on July 29, 2004 in Liber 628, Page 835), on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on September 11, 2009.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bridge
Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sizemore at 547-5190 for more information.

Reading

"The Life and Works of Earl Young, Charlevoix's Master Builder in Stone" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays August through Sept. 5, at the Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurlbut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach service

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark

The skatepark is open daily from noon to 9 p.m. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Circle of Arts

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 27

Charlevoix Golf Club Men's Stag Night League

Play begins at 3:30 p.m. and runs until nearly 6 p.m. League lasts 14 weeks. Call 547-3268 for more information.

AUG. 29

ORV training

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider offers an ORV training class for those citizens who need to comply with the new Michigan State law and Charlevoix County ordinance on ORV operation on our county road system. Training will take place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, at the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office training room.

Registration required at www.charlevoixcounty.org and go to the "Sheriff's" link to fill out the application and forward the typewritten application to the Sheriff's Office, 1000 Grant St., Charlevoix, MI 49720, with attention Deputy Genna Gauthier. You may also e-mail your application to gauthier@charlevoixcounty.org. Call 547-4461 for more.

Picture ID is required by all

students.

SEPT. 1

Historical society ice-cream social

The Charlevoix Historical Society is hosting its annual ice-cream social at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at the Depot on Depot Beach. Music will be provided by The Tagalongs. This free event is open to the public. For more information, call 547-0373.

SEPT. 7

People are encouraged to gather at the Townhouse Bar in Charlevoix at noon on Sept. 7 for the annual Little But Mighty Bridge Walk. The walk, which will originate from the north side of the bridge, occurs at 1 p.m. People are encouraged to purchase a 2009 Bridge Walk T-shirt, the proceeds of which will benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Bank. Shirts cost \$13 up to extra-large. Shirts which are extra-extra-large and extra-extra-extra-large cost \$16.

SEPT. 9

Senior trip

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieb@charlevoix-county.org.

Pewabic Pottery

Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, by Marcy Heller Fisher, is the story of a child discovering the beauty of Pewabic tile installations in the metropolitan Detroit area. Fisher will speak from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the Charlevoix Public Library for two very different sessions. Children of all ages will have an opportunity to hear some of the stories from Fired Magic, while creating a Pewabic tile magnet of their own alongside author Marcy.

Call 237-7350 to reserve a spot. At 6:30 p.m., Fisher will present another program no contemporary Pewabic.

SEPT. 14, OCT. 13 AND 21, AND NOV. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St. New members are welcome. Sept. 14, The Shadow of the Wind, by Carlos Ruiz Zafon will be discussed. This coming-of-age tale of a young boy who, through the magic of a single book, finds a purpose greater than himself and a hero in a man he's never

met "spins a web of intrigue so thick that it ensnares the reader from the very first line."

Nov. 9, The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Lies, by Kristina Ruggie. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the 'Great Michigan Read' community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discussion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

SEPT. 18

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Com-

modity.

For more information, go to www.trailingfortriumph.org or contact Lisa McFarlan at (231) 582-6165.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Food pantry II

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

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Elfrieda Lewitt (middle) founder of the Joy 4 A Child organization is pictured with two cancer patients attending Camp Daggett's Camp Quality, a camp for kids suffering from cancer to enjoy the outdoors and numerous activities like fishing, hiking, crafts, swimming, boating and more. Lewitt is accepting puzzles, journals, games, lap and shoulder blankets or monetary donations to help those with cancer during her home visits for patients and elderly shut-ins.

Campers blessed at Camp Daggett

Camp Quality is a summer camp at Camp Daggett, this year hosting children from 4 to 19 who struggle with cancer.

This is the second year that Elfrieda Lewitt, Office Administrator at Zion Lutheran Church, and CEO of Joy 4 A Child, paid a visit to these wonderful children.

All of the campers were blessed with a choice of three items: Journals, kites, coloring books, T-shirts and shorts, also each child gets their choice of a stuffed animal or beanie baby to take back to their bunks to hug and remind them they are loved.

Joy 4 A Child visits chil-

dren in hospitals and senior citizens or shut-ins in nursing homes with a smile, hug and a special gift of their choice.

There is wish list to help provide items to distribute to ill children and shut-in senior citizens.

Joy 4 A Child purchases most items and many from the Wish List, are donated by the caring people of the community.

A plea was made at the camp, for mothers, grandmothers or anyone who knit or crochet, to consider donating lap and shoulder afghans for our seniors.

Call Elfrieda Lewitt at Zion Lutheran Church of

Petoskey at (231) 347-3438 for more information.

If you would like to drop off beanie babies or afghans, or any other items on the wish list, you may do so at Zion Lutheran Church, 500 W. Mitchell in Petoskey from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Get a copy of the wish list by e-mailing frieda@compnor.com.

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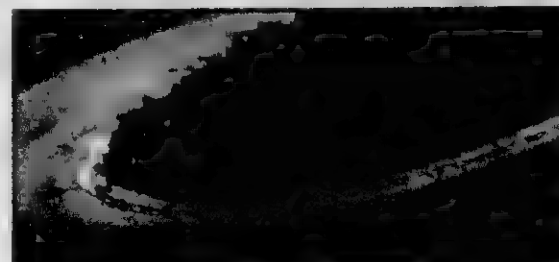


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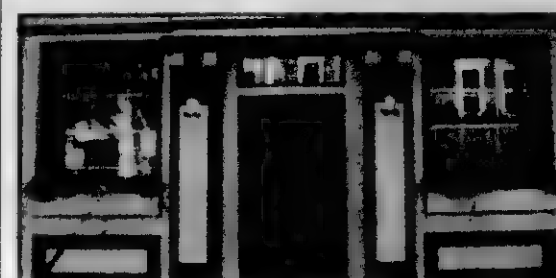
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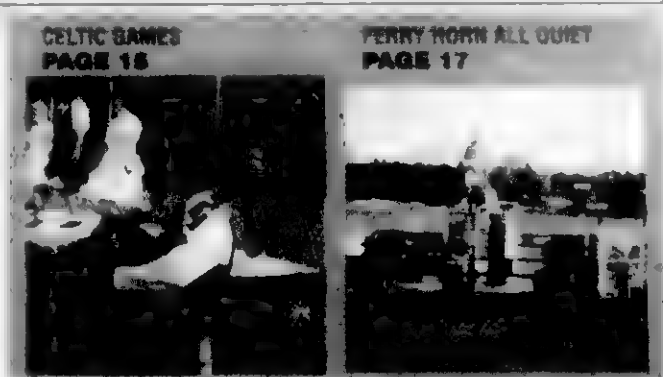
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Robert George Sarasin Jr., 46, Charlevoix. Possession of marijuana. Credit for one day in jail; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not

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William Nathaniel Ritch, 32, Boyne City. Pay \$400 or serve eight days in jail.

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Douglas Alan Higgins, 53, Traverse City. Impaired marine safety. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; boating privileges suspended for one year; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

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Perry Jon Matthew, 27, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$400 in fines and costs.

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Oktoberfest a celebration of family and community

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Costume Contest proved to be one of the most popular features of last year's Oktoberfest.

The canine parade will be held at 3 p.m. in Bridge Park, with the races immediately following.

All proceeds will be donated to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society.

"We hope that people of the community will come down and enjoy a great family day," Kwapisz added. "And, support the local businesses that sponsor and the non-profit organizations that benefit from the event."

The dogs are encouraged to race short distances, usually between two owners, one of whom is holding a treat at the finish line.

Carey commended the organizers for a "unique and novel event."

He added, "The wiener dog races were a huge draw. The crowd stood eight-deep in some places. You could just tell by the look of the dog when (the owners) set

them down that they were going places."

This year there will be a PA system to narrate the races and bleachers will be set up to accommodate the spectators.

A Kid's Tent provides a variety of activities for young attendees from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The \$6 admission covers games, crafts, face painting, tattoos, a bounce house, music and interactive dances with the Edelweiss Dancers.

Shabby Girls local spa will be on hand for Bavarian hair braiding.

Following at 4:30 p.m., kids are invited to attend a free movie at Cinema III with a maximum seating of 175, so get their early.

Donations will be accepted and proceeds from the kid's tent benefit the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

Live music plays from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. Featured acts include Charlevoix Community Band, Edelweiss Volkstanzgruppe with Accompaniment, Northwest Academy Band, Brass Quintet, and da Li! Oompah Band and Siasswasser

Tanzmusik.

Tug-O-War and Brat Eating contests will challenge the intestinal fortitude and strength between the Charlevoix City Police and Charlevoix Sheriff Departments and the Charlevoix Township Fire and Charlevoix City Fire Departments.

Attendees are invited to flex their own muscles in a cast iron pan toss and a keg roll.

Free programs with event itinerary, Bavarian recipes, Oktoberfest history and lyrics to the Schintzelbank sing-along are available from local merchants or on site the day of the festival.

"Oktoberfest was a great success last year," said City Manager Rob Straebel. "I think it's a great way to promote the downtown area during the shoulder season. Another great benefit is that the proceeds go to so many worthy causes in the community."

For more information, visit www.charlevoixoktoberfest.com.

Contact Christine Gwidz by e-mail at moreorless-christine@gmail.com.



FILE PHOTO

Oktoberfest returns

The Charlevoix Oktoberfest returns this year to East Park with numerous activities including the wiener dog race which will be held in Bridge Park.

Recall wording must be approved

RECALL

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Hamilton

He added, "I'm very proud of our record."

Pajtas' recall language is nearly identical to Hamilton's with the additional allegation that she has improperly posted meetings.

"There are no specific facts presented. There is no basis for their allegations," Pajtas stated in an e-mailed response to questions from the Courier. "It is a waste of taxpayer money as the voters have spoken less than a year ago."

Ridenour's proposed recall

petition is similar to the two preceding.

"I don't understand it," Ridenour said. "I don't think it's going to go anywhere. I think this board has done an excellent job. We've done more than has been done in 20 years, especially with the beach clean-up and some other things."

He added, "It has always been my contention to keep the township out of any lawsuits."

Warner, whose proposed recall was similar to the other three, did not return messages by phone or e-mail by press time.

A clarity hearing by the canvassing board which oversees events like recalls is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Sept. 9 in the Charlevoix County

Board's chambers located at 301 State St.

The canvassers will check the language for clarity at this hearing open to the public.

If approved, the petitioners will have 90 days to collect 95 signatures to force the recall.

If petitioners are successful, all four seats will be open for a public election in

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(l to r) Don Wiest, Corrie Deen, Sean Jones, Diane Pajtas, November Amers, Don Jett

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EDITORIAL

Ah the end of summer, a time when that long-forgotten snow shovel in the garage begins eyeing you with the smugness of a Vegas blackjack dealer — it knows you'll be back and it knows you're gonna do the heavy lifting.

The end of our three months of bad shoveling seems to be bittersweet, on one hand the time for barbecues, days at the beach, nights camping and roasting marshmallows and lighting fire works is over; on the other hand, the town will quickly become the serene haven devoid of celebratory crowds that we 12-monthers tend to know and love.

And that's where we find ourselves, on the edge of the Little But Mighty Bridge Walk. A celebration of the end of summer in Charlevoix with a short trip across our little bridge.

Folks are encouraged to gather at the Townhouse Bar, a favorite watering hole for some of us, and eventually meander up to the Weatherlane for the annual walk.

We love that the walk raises funds for good causes like the Charlevoix Community Food Bank — what we do not like are the cries of "Fudge go home" and signs that belittle our summer guests as if a traveler, a vacationer to this region were a negative thing.

We're all for a good time with good-natured fun, but let's please, please keep it civil.

Pied Pipers are needed for driving out snakes, not tourists.

This year's Little But Mighty Bridge Walk begins at approximately 1 p.m. on Sept. 7, on the north side of the bridge in downtown Charlevoix.

To help this year's cause, buy a 2009 Bridge Walk T-shirt for \$13.

Hope you all had a great summer. We'll see you at the bridge.

Simply enjoying life



A LOOK AT LIFE
Gayle Gennett

If life wasn't hard enough with economic concerns, there seems to be something in the air that's taking some of my family and friends away.

Actually it's not only in the air but it may be in the food we eat, our lifestyles or just the luck of the draw.

The Relay for Life in Charlevoix County has raised money to fight it and our family appreciates all the dedicated volunteers and their personal time spent on eliminating it as a major health problem.

Cancer is a disease that doesn't seem to be fussy about whose life it wants to complicate.

Weddings and baptisms brighten my weekends but the number of funerals we've attended this summer is really making me take notice.

I started thinking about things my mom said before she passed as well as my favorite columnist Erma Bombeck, whose own life ended much too soon from cancer.

They both stressed the importance of reducing the clutter in life so you can focus on living life simply and enjoying it more.

They both felt the secret to happiness is not in getting more but in wanting less.

I haven't been listening. My own planner is bursting

with to do lists, meetings and goals.

Life can become complicated just because we let it. To keep my spirits up I only need to re-read Erma Bombeck's, If I Had My Life to Live Over, and re-reading Simplify your Life by Elaine St. James.

I personally should have taken the time to listen to my grandfather ramble about his youth.

I should have gone to bed when I was sick instead of pretending the earth would go into a holding pattern if I wasn't present and active for the day.

I've started using the good linens and napkins for every day use and even brought out the candles I felt should only be lit for holidays.

As a planner I am learning that the planning of our lives is good to a point such as what should I fix for dinner or what things can I do to keep my house up or what can I do to keep my family intact?

Other than that it's in God's hands.

So everyday appreciate the small pleasures in life, give away your hugs freely and be kind to others.

Start each morning with, "Yay I'm alive" like it's your own surprise party.

Have a date night or a night out with friends, see your child's sporting events, visit your parents, take your animals for a walk, look up in the night sky and see how truly beautiful a Northern Michigan panorama is.

Before I forget, remember to be in bed early at least one night a week.

Once you slow down you will realize that life goes on and we create our own chaos.

If you listen to others

rather than trying to fix them when they don't want fixing, your life becomes simplified and gives you more energy to spend on productive pursuits. Sometimes being in a constant rush, meeting demands of others, or completing deadlines seem endless, so spend one day each month away from your distractions.

While I don't necessarily mean getting away from people I definitely mean getting away from people who make the demands.

Trying to follow my own advice, I'm off to Mackinaw Island to spend a day with my husband.

Traveling simplified: a day trip to Mackinac Island complete with biking, visiting the Butterfly House, feeling the wind on my face and not answering a phone.

Of course taking in the smells of fudge wafting through the open doors of fudge shops helps too.

I want to thank everyone for their kind words and cards as we said good-bye to my father-in-law last week.

He felt he was becoming a burden but we assured him he wasn't.

When you have faith and know there is a different life after this one on earth it is easier to let go.

Our neighbors, friends and family members who have passed this summer will be missed but we are keeping them alive by learning to live simply and enjoy what we have instead of worrying about what we don't.

Gayle Gennett's column appears twice a month in the pages of the Charlevoix Courier.

Contact Gayle Gennett by e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com.

WEEKLY POLL

Question
Should the Iron Ore Ferry follow the law and blow its horn upon departure?

No, it hasn't in the past (73 Votes, 53%)
Yes, rules are rules (66 Votes, 47%)

This week's poll question:
Should the four Northern Township officials be recalled?

No online to vote: www.charlevoixcourier.com

Hope in a jar



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwidt

"Where's my man-bag?" My husband is rifling around under the bathroom sink. His voice is muffled, but I'm pretty sure I heard him correctly. Even so, I just have to hear it again.

"What?" I holler. "What did you say?"

"My man-bag. I thought it was in here. Did you move it?"

If I can keep it together, he'll say it at least one more

time.

"I'm sorry, babe. I didn't hear you."

He appears in the doorway, looking exasperated. "My man-bag," he says, and I lose it.

"Whaaaat?" He's laughing at me laughing at him. "Do you know where it is or not?"

"Ha-ha-ha-ha! Phew. HA!" I answer. "What is your man-bag?"

"You know," he says, a tad defensively, "that little black bag with the zipper that I use for, um, stuff, when I travel."

"Stuff?"

"My razor and stuff."

"Your toiletries?" I am gleeful. "Your toiletry man-bag is missing?"

I know it's childish, but I have a really long memory and it's payback time.

Early in our marriage, my baby-faced husband didn't even use after-shave. "What

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The magical man bag

HOPE

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is all this stuff?" he would ask, opening the cabinet to look for dental floss. "Geez, you've got six different jars of goop to wash your face. And what's this cucumber toner stuff? Why don't you just use soap?"

I know that he viewed my collection as frivolous. He probably thought that I had enough money tied up in products to pay for season tickets for the Packers, and he was probably right.

"You don't need all this stuff," he told me. "You are beautiful. You'll always be beautiful to me." (Read: "You don't have any wants. Let's divert these funds into season tickets for the Packers.")

"You only think so because you have astigmatism, and I'm diligent with my routine. If I were to skip a week, I'd be unrecognizable. It's all smoke and mirrors, my friend. Exfoliation and emollients."

"Never mind. Just be grateful that I'm on top of it."

Some anniversaries later, I noticed a change. I'd catch him studying his face in the mirror a little too carefully when he brushed his teeth, zooming in for a close-up and covertly prodding the skin at the corner of his eye. Then the tubes, bottles and jars appeared one day, on mass.

They were packaged in mainly forest-green containers, but they promised to turn back time. Just like mine. They were loaded with papaya and enzymes to fight free radicals. There was a little tub of exfoliating grains in an herbal-smell-

ing jelly, age-defying night cream, an SPF 30 day lotion and a tube of de-puffing eye gel. I tried them all. They were nice.

I can't deny the feeling of vindication - a little wrinkle of satisfaction, if you will, when he capitulated and joined me in the maintenance business. And I empathized with his fledgling hope even as I braced myself for the aftermath. The realization that jars and tubes do not contain the Fountain of Youth would be disappointing. I was there for him.

"Let me give you a facial," I suggested. "You'll like it." Surprisingly, the man who has always balked at even my most rudimentary attempts at domestication agreed.

I lassoed his hair with a stretchy headband and slapped a hot towel over his face before smearing a layer of green mud over his stubble. He lay frozen on the bed, cotton balls moistened with Witch Hazel over his closed eyes.

"Just relax and don't move your face until it dries," I told him. I went downstairs to let the dogs out.

Forty minutes later, when

I remembered what I'd been doing before I started staking the tomato plants, I re-turned.

My husband looked like a turtle on its back - helpless, wizened and reptilian. The green mud had dried and cracked, drawing his features into a pucker. His mouth was open and he was snoring gently.

"Wake up, darling. You're beautiful." I pressed the hot towel over his face to loosen the mask and wiped it away in stages.

"Did it work?" he asked. Silly boy.

"It's a miracle!" I told him. "It took off 30 years. You have chin acne and a mole."

He reached for his glasses, but I intercepted the pass. "Oh no. The most important part of the treatment is to critique the results with the naked eye. The success of the whole experience hinges upon a deliberately feeble examination of the rejuvenated epidermis."

"Huh?"

"Just take off your glasses when you look in the mirror."

PUT OFF BY PETUNIA LAND

Editor:
I would like to share my story with you about my trip through beautiful Charlevoix.

After a surprise engagement on Friday night, my fiancé and I decided to celebrate and drive up north.

After looking at the map we decided to drive up US-31 for a beautiful scenic drive. We first stopped in Honor MI at the Coho Festival.

Everyone in this cute little town was so friendly and inviting.

We decided to continue north and visit Charlevoix because we had both heard that it was a great town to visit.

We were looking forward to shopping and having lunch some where.

We arrived in Charlevoix and decided to park in the first parking lot we saw. There were several shops in this strip mall, amongst these was Oleson's. The moment we stepped out of our car we were approached by a man that simply stated, "you can't park here if you

are going downtown."

This man did not greet us, there was no good afternoon folks, or welcome to Charlevoix. Our first impression of Charlevoix was, "you can't park here."

So I am writing you to offer a few suggestions, because I find it hard to believe this is the first time this has happened to tourists. Now I am not sure if there were any signs posted, but perhaps posting one right in the entrance off of US 31 would be helpful to tourists to know where the appropriate parking is for certain shopping areas. Perhaps giving this scary little man that is trolling around this parking lot some sort of uniform or badge so he could feel more official and powerful. And more importantly teach him some manners and some politeness.

Also it probably would be helpful to give him some maps of optional parking to hand to tourists as he tells them to get out of his parking lot.

We decided that Charlevoix was not the right atmosphere for what we were celebrating. We continued driving north to Mackinaw City. We went to dinner at Audie's Restaurant. Even knowing that we were tourists the staff was one of the most welcoming warm and friendly staffs we have ever met. Perhaps your little parking attendant needs to visit!

Emily Benson and Bill Reppenhagen
Portage

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LETTERS to the editor

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Editor:
An Open Letter to Mayor Carlson, Council Members, and the Good Folks of Charlevoix:

I was raised in Charlevoix some 81+ years ago and resided there for a few years in the late 70s/early 80s, so I am not a stranger to Charlevoix, but I am an overwhelmed visitor having just spent the month of July in your beautiful City.

Why overwhelmed? Let's start with the new park and boat slips. It appears to me that a project started in the late 1930s has now been completed. What a superb park indeed! And the new band shell complete with the Tuesday evening "Gary Stutzman Orchestra."

What a great group of musicians and to listen to live, "real" music.

I wonder what people driving through Charlevoix must be thinking when entering the city limits lined with petunias, the hanging baskets and lighted trees?

My guess is that many of them turn on to a side street and come back for a real look.

And while downtown, what about the new library. What a beautiful building and grounds.

I can't believe it is the same building that I spent a couple of years in the sixth grade back in the 1930s.

And speaking of buildings: Although the renovated City Hall may not be new to y'all, it was to me.

Hats off to Deano and Arlene on the fine job with the mayoral photo display on the Council Chambers wall.

If you have not seen your fire station lately, go have a look. Charlevoix's fire sta-

tion, trucks EMS, would be the envy of hundreds of cities two to three times larger than Charlevoix.

Oh, I realize I am probably forgetting some important folks and projects, but there is one other thing, last, but certainly not least.

You homeowners. I drove throughout the streets of Charlevoix. Not just Boulder Park, Dixon, Michigan Ave., but all streets.

I was impressed with the well maintained homes and yards; the flower gardens were most impressive.

Everywhere I drove, I sensed a feeling of great civic pride.

"Charlevoix the Beautiful" is not just a slogan, it is a fact. Y'all can stand proud.

Gene Bridge
Belton, Texas

BUILD AN ARENA

Editor:
Are you an active sports player and bored in the winter time, just sitting around watching T.V. and playing video games.

If there was a Sports Arena kids or adults could play catch with a baseball or a football indoors where there's lot of room instead of outside in the cold snow. We need a Sports Arena open to the public. A place for all ages who like to stay active in the winter time.

The Sports Arena would bring business to the City of Charlevoix by attracting tourists that are active. You will be charged to get in, but there will still bring lots of active customers.

The reason a Sports Arena would be good in Charlevoix because, there's room for it. A lot of kids and adults are active and

need a public gym to stay active. Since the Charlevoix Public Schools gyms are not open to the public, now there's a gym for the public could go to.

Noah Certa
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

KUDOS, COURIER COLUMNISTS

Editor:
Kudos to writers Knutson, Gwidt, and Gohs for their articles in the Aug. 26 Charlevoix Courier.

Roger Knutson's articles have intrigued me for years, and it is my hope to one day become his neighbor in Charlevoix after I, too, have completed my professional career.

His range of knowledge on interesting subjects, including — in his latest essay — the psyches of Charlevoix's summer visitors and their needs for various Charlevoix "fixes," is impressive, and I am sure that in-person chats with him over a coffee would be as enjoyable as reading his columns. What do you say Professor Knutson? I'll buy Ms. Gwidt has impressed me with her deft turns of phrase, her ability to insert comic timing into her word art, and her skill in piercing the mundane with her sharp and funny observations.

Thanks for your column on giving advice to teens. My wife and I have largely survived our own anxious times with our kids as teens, but you brought them back to life for us.

And you, Mr. Gohs, you have provided us with many episodes of sheer joy with your zany articles, but the "Good Deed" piece brought the most tears of laughter.

Send letters to: Charlevoix Courier, P.O. Box 117, Charlevoix, MI, 49720. fax to (231) 547-4992 or e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com.

Your depiction of Jacob doing a lap around the house and attempting to speak with his "bumblebeed" tongue left us unable to talk.

Keep those articles coming.

There's a Gohs book of collected essays in the making I hope.

Congrats to you all.
Gary Sudano
West Lafayette, Ind.

BUTTS-OUT

Editor:
Have you every placed your towel down on Fairy Beach and seen nothing but cigarette butts? Does it bother you like it bothers me? In my opinion, littering cigarette butts should be illegal.

From my point of view, there are many different hazards of cigarette butts.

When cigarette butts get wet, it makes our town smell bad. Animals can eat them and have a chance of dying. In effect to littering cigarette butts, it can cause bad fires.

Elizabeth Way
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

LETTERS POLICY

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Plant sale

The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club will host its ninth annual Labor Day Plant Sale from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday Sept. 5, at the Ferry Avenue Beach Pavilion.

A variety of shade and sun tolerant perennials and other garden plantings will be offered along with miscellaneous garden items many of which have been donated by area nurseries and businesses.

Master gardeners will be present to answer questions and provide gardening information.

The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club, a member of the Michigan Garden Clubs, Inc., was organized in 1998.

The Club maintains the gardens at the "Welcome to Charlevoix The Beautiful" entrance signs on M-66, and U.S. 31 North and South.

The pondless waterfall feature at the Charlevoix Public Library Children Garden and the xeriscape garden at the Charlevoix Municipal Airport entrance sign were co-sponsored, designed and constructed by the Club.

These two gardens and a portion of the Depot Heritage Garden are also maintained by the members.

Meetings are at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month and membership is open.

Meetings consist of an informational program related to gardening and landscaping topics followed by a business meeting.

For additional information please call Margaret at 547-5199.

COMMUNITY Charlevoix people

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Keep on grinnin'

Despite the heat, the annual Big Grin competition was held on Sunday Aug. 16 at The Charlevoix Community Skatepark with more than 25 participants. Participants came from all over Northern Michigan to compete.

Hi-tech teacher training

Eight area teachers recently completed a four-day institute on technology in the classroom.

Participants included: Shelly Novotny, Charlevoix Middle School; Kris Rasmussen, Charlevoix Northwest Academy.

The institute was held by Top-of-the-Mitt, Michigan State University's satellite of the Red Cedar National Writing Project, hosted by North Central Michigan College. Now in its fourth year, the Petoskey satellite program is part of a \$22 million

federally funded national grant started in 1974.

This special outreach tech institute encourages the use of new digital literacies in area classrooms. Teachers learned how to use specialized educational software ranging from blogs and voice animation to digital and video editing, as well as other social networking programs designed to enhance student classroom learning. They will meet again in October to share successful technology experiences.

"Over 30 years of research supports the belief that 'teachers teaching teachers' is the most powerful and effective professional development that exists in American education," said satellite director Toby Kahn-Lof-

tus of East Jordan and Western Michigan University. Teacher consultants working with polleys in the tech institute were Top-of-the-Mitt co-director Stasha Simon and Suzanne Nayback of the Public Schools of Petoskey, and Ken Winter of North Central

Michigan College. Cernudo, also NCMC Information Systems Manager, assisted technology usage.

Nayback also serves as director of another summer Top-of-the-Mitt program, the Spartan Writing Camp North that was launched three years ago for children ages 8 to 10.

For information on any Red Cedar Top-of-the-Mitt program contact Toby Kahn-Lof-



COURTESY PHOTO

Venture Crew ventures out

The Charlevoix Venture Crew 11 took their exploration on the road as they visited the southernmost point in the continental United States. They even remembered to take some local news along with them in the form of a Petoskey News-Review.

A Sneak Peak

Charlevoix APPLE FEST

Coming soon to Charlevoix, MI is the 31st Annual Apple Festival! Scheduled for October 9-11, it's a fun-filled weekend of apple-themed activities, including a parade, apple bobbing, and more. Don't miss it!

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What's happening at the Library?

The Library will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 7

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OBITUARIES

John Carl Malpeli Jr.: July 17, 1930 - Aug. 26, 2009

John Carl Malpeli Jr.
Born July 17, 1930, in Detroit, passed away



at his home in W. Yellowstone, Mont. Aug. 26. He is survived by his loving wife, Lynne (Ford) Malpeli, Sister Charlotte Stifler, Five children, John C. III (Monica), Faith, Marc (Kay), Camille, Hope; and eight grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held for family and friends at the Big Sky Chapel Friday, Sept. 4. Final interment will be in Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations for a memorial in honor of John C. Malpeli Jr. can be made to The Big Sky Chapel, P.O. Box 160792, Big Sky, MT 59716. Jack will be remembered for the love he shared with everyone.

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DEATH NOTICE

Betty Lanning Drenth, 85, of Manelona, died Tues. Aug. 25, 2009 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. Interment was at Chapman Cemetery, Custer Township.

DEATH NOTICE

A memorial gathering for Larry Lee Roth of Charlevoix will take place at noon Wednesday, Sept. 9, at The Weathervane in Charlevoix. Lunch will be served. Mr. Roth passed away Aug. 18, 2009, at the age of 69.

OBITUARY PLACEMENT

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Auxilliary Coast Guard hosts open house

From 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sept. 4, the USCG Auxiliary will hold an open house at the Charlevoix Coast Guard Station.

Anyone interested in the Coast Guard or Boating is welcome.

You can find out what the Auxiliary is all about, what they do to help keep boating

safe and to meet local Auxiliary members.

You can participate in boating safety and rescue skill drills and see the coast guard base and facilities first-hand.

A limited number of visitors will be able to ride on an Auxiliary Vessel.

Some of the things auxiliary members do is camaraderie with fellow members, vessel safety checks, assist local boaters in distress, patrol watching for pollution, unsafe activity, floating debris and boating hazards, qualify local buoys and navigation lights, help staff the Coast Guard communications, train to gain and advance boating and rescue skills and much much more.

The location of the Coast Guard Station is at the end of Coast Guard Drive to the right of Depot Beach, or, once on the north side of Charlevoix, simply follow signs to the USCG Station

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Stupak to hold call-in town hall meetings

PROGRAMS WILL AIR LIVE ON WNNM-TV AND WCMU-TV

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) announced he will hold two televised call-in town hall meetings across the First District focusing on health care and the economy.

The programs will air live on WNNM-TV on Sept. 2 and on WCMU-TV on Sept. 3.

"These call-in town halls are an opportunity for me to address the questions and concerns of people across Northern Michigan on a number of critical issues, including health care reform and the economy," Stupak said. "No matter how many communities across the First Congressional District I have visited over the past few weeks, I cannot physically reach every one. With the help of our area's public broadcasters, these events will reach the homes of nearly every resident in the First District."

Program information is as follows:

* 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 2 on WNNM-TV

WHAT: Congressman Stupak will respond to questions about health care reform and the economy submitted by telephone and e-mail. WNNM-TV newsman Bill Harter will serve as the moderator for the program, which will be

available to most residents of the Upper Peninsula and Northeastern Wisconsin and will originate from the WNNM-TV studios on the campus of Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

WHERE: This program will air live on WNNM-TV (Channel 13.1) with simulcast on WNNM-FM Public Radio 90 (90.1).

HOW: Individuals will be able to call the program toll-free at a number that will be provided during the program. An e-mail address will also be provided for

those who wish to submit their question by e-mail. The phone bank will be staffed by NMMU political science students.

WEBCAST: The program will also be streamed live on the Internet.

The video stream can be found by visiting www.nmmu.edu/wnnm.

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U.S. CONGRESSMAN BART STUPAK

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moderator for the program, which will be available to most residents of Northern Michigan and will originate from the WCMU-TV studios on the campus of Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

WHERE: This program will air live on WCMU-TV (Channel 24) in Alpena and WCMU-TV (Channel 26) in Mount Pleasant. It will also be simulcast on WCMU-FM 89.5 in Mount Pleasant, WUCW-FM 90.1 in Bay City, WCMU-FM 91.7 in Alpena, WCMU-FM 95.7 in Oscoda, WCMU-FM 96.9 in Standish, WCMU-FM 98.3 in Sault Ste. Marie and WCMU-FM 103.9 in Harbor Springs.

HOW: Individuals will be able to call the program toll-free at a number that will be provided during the program.

An e-mail address will also be provided for those who wish to submit their question by e-mail.

The phone bank will be staffed by individuals chosen by CMU Public Broadcasting.

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Woman's joy is giving

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

On New Year's Day 2007, Elfrieda Lewitt and a friend were sitting around talking.

"We wanted to do something for cancer patients and hospitalized children," Lewitt said. "We came up with the name 'Joy 4 A Child' and that's how it started."

Her friend went on to serve the Charlevoix area with her own group, but Lewitt, the office administrator at Zion Lutheran Church

a "High School Musical" or "Hanna Montana" tee shirt and a pair of shorts to each camper at Camp Quality.

They also received their choice of another toy such as a kite, a journal, puzzles, hobbles or a coloring book. Camp Quality is an annual program for children with cancer.

Joy 4 A Child is funded by Lewitt herself and by contributions from donors.

"When I was buying the tee shirts and shorts for Camp Quality, I knew I'd

Joy 4 A Child also visit its nursing homes, hospitals and residences bringing gifts and visiting with patients and shut-ins.

"I remember when my grandmother was in a nursing home," said Lewitt. "She used to listen for the foot steps of someone coming to visit. That's why I want to expand Joy 4 A Child. Camp Quality is only one week out of the year."

The program has hit a few bumps since its inception, but they were nothing that Lewitt couldn't tackle with faith and perseverance.

Lewitt smiles when she remembers wondering how she would be able to find or fund the small toys and gifts, only to receive 500 Beanie Babies from a generous donor 24 hours later.

She gives them to the people that she visits as reminders that they are loved.

"I'd love to see Joy 4 A Child earn the opportunity to serve more people," Lewitt said. "If someone knows of a way that we could be of help or someone we could visit, I'd like them to think 'Hey, let's call her.' That's the sort of thing I'd like to see happen."

For more information, or to donate items on the Joy 4 A Child wish list, contact Lewitt at 347-3438, or e-mail her at frieda@comp-nor.com.

Items may be dropped off 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Zion Lutheran Church, 500 West Mitchell, Petoskey.

Joy 4 A Child wishlist

WISH LISTS FOR AGES 1 THROUGH 18:

Books and comic books, coloring books and crayons, craft kits, crossword puzzle books, decks of cards, diaries, dolls, dominoes, gloves, handheld games and board games, hats, journals, young children's blankets, pens and pencils, purses, wooden or 25 to 50-piece puzzles, slippers, stationary sets, stuffed animals.

WISH LIST FOR SENIORS:

Books, craft and sewing kit, crossword puzzle books, decks of cards, diaries, dolls, dominoes, fresh flowers/single roses, gloves, handheld games and board games, hats, journals, lap afghans or blankets, pens and pencils, puzzles, scarves, stationary sets, sock slippers and stuffed animals.

in Petoskey, has made it her business to see that Joy 4 A Child plays a part in the lives of all area children battling cancer and others.

This summer, Joy 4 A Child brought a stuffed toy,

have to find them for a good price," she said. "And I did." She laughed, and added, "I was to ever to play and win the Lotto, I'd do much more for the kids and seniors then."

Keep Your Money Working Hard for You

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor



Labor Day is upon us. We honor the contributions of working men and women — in other words, people just like you. Of course, it doesn't have to be Labor Day for you to be aware that you work hard for your money — and you'd like to know that your money is working just as hard for you.

How can you keep your money employed? Consider these suggestions:

• Keep your money working for the future. The financial markets have been through some difficult times over the past two years. As a result, many people pulled money from their investments and stuck it in savings accounts — some of which paid around one percent interest — or Treasury securities — which may have paid even less. While the need to feel "secure" is

understandable, it can also be detrimental to long-term financial goals, such as a comfortable retirement. To help achieve these goals, try to own an array of quality investments that are appropriate for your specific objectives, risk tolerance and time horizon.

• Don't interrupt your money while it's working. You want your investments working to help you achieve your long-term goals. But this work can be interrupted by short-term needs, such as expensive car repairs, large doctor's bills or costly new appliances. To avoid dipping into your investments — and thereby reducing their growth potential — to pay for these needs, you'll want to establish an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid account. Also, if you know you're going to need a large amount of money within the next few years — perhaps for college tuition, a wedding or a long vacation — you may want to remove some of your investments from the ups-and-downs of the financial markets and

place the money in vehicles that can protect your principal.

• Have your money work for you — not your creditors. Too much debt — specifically, too much of the wrong types of debt — is both a cause and a consequence of the economic malaise we've experienced. Try to reduce or consolidate your debts. For example, despite all the talk about a "credit freeze," many reputable lenders are eager to help qualified borrowers refinance their mortgages. And since mortgage rates are still low, a refinance could free up hundreds of dollars per month for you — money that you could put to work investing for your long-term goals.

• Make it easier for your money to work harder. By making these moves, you can help your money work harder for you. For starters, defer enough of your salary into your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan to earn the employer's match, if one is offered. Here's another step to consider: Reinvest any dividends you may receive from your investments back

into those investments. You probably won't miss the money because you never actually had it in your pocket, and by automatically reinvesting dividends, you'll increase the number of shares you own.

Labor Day can be an enjoyable respite for you — but try not to let your money take a day off.

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Elfrieda Lewitt organized Joy 4 A Child so she could better help children with cancer by bringing joy into their life with visits, games, toys and activities. Lewitt runs the program using her own money and donations from the community.

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The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is inviting nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and municipalities who are in need of funding to submit grant requests in support of their projects.

Programs chosen for funding must serve residents of Charlevoix County, meet an urgent need, or enrich life for local residents in some way.

The deadline for grant requests is Oct. 1.

Grant applications are available by calling the community foundation office.

All applicants must call and discuss their proposals in advance.

Foundation staff is available to offer advice and assistance to organizations interested in applying for funds.

The funds are held in permanent endowment, so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come.

For more information about the grant-making process, establishing a fund or making a gift, please contact the Charlevoix County Community Foundation at P.O. Box 718, East Jordan, MI, 49727, by phone at (231) 536-2440, or online at www.c3f.org.

Possible Entergy name change

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Entergy officials say transferring nuclear reactors to a new company will not affect the Hayes Township nuclear waste site.

While on hold until at least early next year, Entergy Corporation of New Orleans is forming Enxus Energy Corporation, a publicly traded stand-alone nuclear energy provider based out of Jackson, Miss.

"The spin-off for Palisades obviously will affect Big Rock Point (but) it will not change anything," said Mark Savage, communications manager at Entergy's Palisades power plant in Coventry.

The New York Public Service Commission is holding the deal up pending Entergy's ability to prove the plan is financially viable since three of the nuclear plants are located in New York. The James A. Fitzpatrick station

in Oswego County and two reactors at Indian Point Energy Center in Westchester County.

The other three power plants include the aforementioned Palisades plant in Michigan, one in Vermont, and one in Massachusetts.

"It basically is a name change only," Savage said. "So, security personnel would stay the same, the ownership of the facility will change and basically the only thing people will see is a change in signage on the site."

Entergy took ownership of the Big Rock site from Consumers Power in spring, 2007.

Consumers sold the Palisades plant to Entergy for \$380 million at the same time Entergy took over. As a part of the Palisades deal, Entergy received \$30 million to oversee the 107-acre Big Rock waste facility.

Savage said the transfer could happen as early as spring, 2010.

Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 2, 2009

Tillers at work

Volunteer Bob Lewis (left) of Charlevoix and Tillers International alum Marvin Riedorff of Grant construct a truss for a shelter being restored Friday on Inwood Farm in Charlevoix. The property was donated about seven years ago to Tillers International.

MAGGIE PETERSON/
COURIER

Old school building

Tillers International intern Alexia DelleCosta (center) of Kalamazoo and New York hands a rafter to Charlevoix resident and volunteer Phil Ohmer, who will set the rafter in place with the help of Bobby Walden, another Tillers International intern. Tillers International's mission is "to preserve, study and exchange low-capital technologies that increase the sustainability and productivity of people in rural communities."

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Nearly \$3 million in EJ water, sewer loans

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) announced the city of East Jordan will receive \$2,375,000 for two projects to make necessary investments in water and wastewater infrastructure.

The loans are being distributed through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development

program.

"This funding will help ensure East Jordan residents have access to safe drinking water while protecting the surrounding environment from untreated wastewater," Stupak said. "These are the types of infrastructure projects that will help create jobs and strengthen rural communities in North-

ern Michigan for years to come." The projects will help to provide safe drinking water, improved wastewater treatment systems, and environmental protections for the city of East Jordan.

The projects are: • \$1,700,000 to make improvements to the municipal water system. This project

will replace about 9,000 feet of water main in various sections of the city.

• \$675,000 to make improvements to the existing sanitary sewer system. This project will extend the sanitary sewer system, including construction of 4,100 feet of gravity sewer with a new lift station.

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"I enjoyed the challenge, and it was exciting when a gallery started following me for the final 19 holes. It was the first time I had played that many holes in a day with my 'hickory clubs' and I was pleased to score that well as the day wore on," Joy said.

He thanked his cart drivers Tom Bickersteth, Bill Baten,

Jim Grant, Bob Heath, Bruce Herbert and Stuart Goldblatt.

He also saluted the many Belvedere Club members that cheered him on and also made monetary pledges.

"Marty's great golf swing makes up for the fact that his clubs lack the technology enjoyed by today's golfers. His scores are amazing considering

how fast he played his 100 holes, averaging just less than 5 minutes a hole. Our scholarship program will reap the good fortune of Marty's effort," said Dean Davenport, Program Director.

Pledges still may be made to the Junior Golf Program by calling Davenport at 547-6433 or Marty Joy at 547-2611.

Kaiser 60th wedding anniversary



ELBERT AND BEVERLY KAISER

Elbert W. and Beverly (Van Patten) Kaiser of Charlevoix recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married Aug. 26, 1949 in the Presbyterian Church of Garden City, Michigan.

They resided in the Charlevoix area from 1972 to 1979 and from 1985 to the present time.

Before retiring, Elbert

was a plant manager for the Medusa Cement Company. Beverly is also retired from a career as a music teacher.

Their children are William (Robin) Kaiser of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; Paul (Annie) Kaiser of Northville, Michigan; and Linda (William) Shannon of Royal Oak, Michigan. They have three grandchildren.



ELBERT AND BEVERLY KAISER

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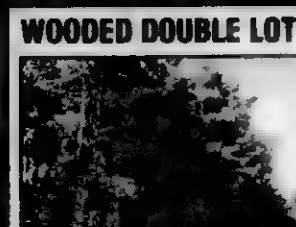
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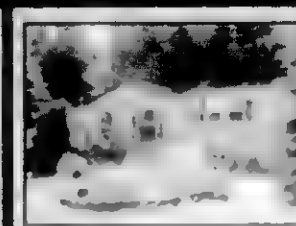
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Alumni hammer alma mater

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
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In high school they called themselves "The Crew."

They worked together on projects in their building trades class and formed friendships based upon their mutual interest in woodworking, and recently, the six friends reunited for a job that took them back to school.

"There were a lot of memories of the fun we had," said former Charlevoix High student Trevor Cole. "Especially in the construction room at the high school. We'd all spent a lot of time there and it was cool to see the changes — like the lumber storage area — made to that room."

2008 grads Corey Gotshall, brothers Cliff and Kyle Jones, Cole and Jake Hunt, along with Josh Wolletz of the class of 2009, worked this summer as carpenters, renovating the elementary, middle school and high school buildings.

Hunt, Cole and Kyle Jones are all entering their sophomore year as construction management majors at Ferris State University.

Gotshall and Cliff Jones are sophomores with the same major at Michigan State University. Wolletz is a freshman this year at Ferris, also majoring in the field.

"It was great for us to come back and have the opportunity to use what we learned," said Kyle Jones. "I took a lot of woodworking and construction classes. It's just something that I've always liked to do. I really key on seeing what I've accomplished at the end of the day."

He added. "There aren't a whole lot of jobs where you can do that."

Carlson's Home Improvements, subcontracted by the project's general contractor, Integrity Construction, hired The Crew.

"I was lucky enough to have Brian Certi (Charlevoix High building trades teacher) involve me in the program by recommending some of his former students," said Norman Carlson, Jr. "Every one of them did a great job. I'd love to have them work for me for however long they'd want to."

Gotshall said, "It was kind of weird going back, especially to the middle school and elementary. We did a lot of demo and put up all of the light boards and smart boards."

Hunt recalled his experience in middle school when he took a cabinet shop class.

"It was my eighth-grade year and I just fell in love with it," he said. "We talked about how cool it was to be able to work this summer on the schools where we got our education."

For most, it's only a fleeting thought. Just an idle fantasy concocted in protest to spending a beautiful day cooped up in a classroom. But Josh was able to live the dream.

"It was really fun to demo the walls in the high school," he said.

The construction projects the former students worked on were part of the \$5-plus million bond approved by voters last year to overhaul buildings, replace buses, upgrade technology and increase energy efficiency.



Former Charlevoix High School building trades class student Corey Gotshall works on a window casing outside Charlevoix Middle School recently. Gotshall is one of several building trades students who now work as carpenters for Carlson's Home Improvements.

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Kiwanis: 75 years of community outreach



BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

"Serving the children of the world" — to them it's more than a mere motto.

Now getting ready to celebrate 75 years of Kiwanis in Charlevoix, Kiwanians reflect on the organization's decades of accomplishments and what Kiwanis means to them.

"I've been a member for five years, and from the beginning I've been so impressed with how will all the members are to participate and volunteer when you ask them," said Charlevoix Kiwanis president Carolyn Navarre.

With their focus on helping children near and far, the Charlevoix Kiwanis continues to support youth outreach services like BASES Teen Center, Camp Quality, Camp Daggett, Charlevoix Area Community Pool, Charlevoix Public Library,

Junior Achievement, Bergmann Center, Special Olympics, Toys for Tots and more.

Kiwanis member Ed Buday said his group's heritage is steeped in community involvement.

"Kiwanis is derivative of an Indian word that means to make noise; to let people know who you are," Buday said. "And that's what we want to do: Let people know who we are and what we do and that we're here to help."

Charlevoix Kiwanis was formed in 1915 by 28 community leaders.

"Kiwanis was founded in Detroit by a group of businessmen who wanted to provide the community with service and enhance business relationships," said member Bill Lovette. "From that beginning we're now in over 80 countries, and what I find particularly interesting and noteworthy is they're all part of Kiwanis."

International. They all have the same mission whether they're in Indonesia or India or Indiana."

Navarre said anyone interested in joining Kiwanis is welcome to attend a meeting.

Kiwanis meets for lunch at noon each Tuesday in the lower level of the Westhervane Restaurant in Charlevoix.

In celebration of their 75 years of service, Kiwanis is hosting an evening of entertainment and dining from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Thursday Sept. 10 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

In addition to a catered dinner there will be music by Churchill Drive.

Early 1900s Kiwanis members give eager school children rides in the big wooden Kiwanis sleds. For nearly 75 years Kiwanians have been reaching out to area youth to help them with everything from Christmas presents to reading.

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Ferry horn policy reverted

By Steve Zucker News-Review Staff Writer

After a group of nearby residents made enough noise of their own, Charlevoix County officials have reversed course on the Ironton Ferry horn-sounding policy.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider said a large group of Ironton-area residents turned out at the Wednesday, Aug. 26, county board of commissioner's meeting to sound-off on the county's recently-instituted policy of requiring ferry operators to sound the vessel's horn each time it departs from shore.

The commotion began a few weeks ago when someone — Schneider says he doesn't think anyone knows who — called U.S. Coast Guard Station Charlevoix complaining that the ferry was not sounding its horn each time it departed, as required under U.S. Coast Guard's Inland Lakes Navigation Rule #34.

After some investigation and discussion with Coast Guard officials about the possibility of

an exemption for the ferry, the board's civil council, county prosecutor John Jarema, recommended that ferry operators follow the law and sound the horn at each departure until such time that the law is changed or a waiver is granted for the county.

Previously, ferry operators only sounded the horn in foggy conditions or in the case of imminent danger.

Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners Chairman Chris Christensen said after hearing the residents' complaints, the board came to a consensus to direct ferry supervisor Vance Wood to "operate the ferry in the safest manner possible" and suggested that he return to the previous horn-blowing policy. The direction was not in the form of a motion.

Jarema said the board reverted to the previous horn-sounding policy against his advice.

Doug Way, who is both the chairman of the Charlevoix County Road Commission and

serves on the county's transportation authority which oversees the ferry's operation, said a call was placed to the on-duty ferry operator after Wednesday's meeting and the every-trip horn-sounding policy was immediately placed on mute.

As justification for its direction, Christensen said board members pointed to the fact that the county has an appeal pending on the matter; that the ferry has operated for decades on the old policy without problems or previous complaints; and concerns that sounding the horn with each crossing (sometimes as often as every few minutes) will desensitize boaters to its sound and decrease its effectiveness as an emergency warning device.

Christensen said the board also put the Ironton residents on notice: If the county's request for a waiver or change in the law is denied, the county will be forced to once again blow the horn for each crossing.



This view of the Ironton Narrows from the rear of the Ironton Ferry shows the nearly 600-foot stretch the ferry traverses up to 60 trips each day. The United States Coast Guard rules and regulations demand the ferry's horn be blown before each trip, to the annoyance of nearby residents.

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Dated: August 20, 2009

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Mortgagee/Assignee

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-Bridge
Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

-Ladies swim
The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

-Exhibit
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-Free lunch
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

-Beach services
Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

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Open noon to dusk, weekends only beginning Saturday, Sept. 12.

Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

-Scrapbooking
Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month

at the Charlevoix Public Library.
- Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

- Four Fires Native Talking Circle meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome. do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

- Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

-BNI
The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

-SAA
Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

-Cancer support
Circle of Strength
In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

-Historical society
Museum Hours
The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

-Sailing club
A 32-foot sailboat was donated

to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

* Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

* Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

SEPT. 4

Boyer Fine Arts Auction
The Boyer Arts Collective's First Fine Arts Auction is 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4 at 210 South Lake St. Boyer City, Michigan.

Advanced registration advised.
On the Auction block will be original works of art in a variety of media, private lessons, and much more. Light hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer tastings, all compliments of next door neighbor Sammie's n Suds.

Auctioneer: Scott MacKenzie.

SEPT. 7

People are encouraged to gather at the Townhouse Bar in Charlevoix at noon on Sept. 7 for the annual Little But Mighty Bridge Walk. The walk, which will originate from the north side of the bridge, occurs at 1 p.m. People are encouraged to purchase a 2009 Bridge Walk T-shirt, the proceeds of which will benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Bank. Shirts cost \$13 up to extra-large. Shirts which are extra-extra-large and extra-extra-extra-large cost \$16.

SEPT. 9

Financial Peace
Get your finances in order by following Dave Ramsey's simple yet effective Financial Peace University program.

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This preview will last an hour and then you can make your decision concerning the course.

For more information call the Community Reformed Church at 547-9482 or go to www.davcransey.com.

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The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m.

Six sessions meet Sept. 9, 16, 23 and Oct. 7, 14 & 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McClorey at 231-582-7689 or e-mail meggots@sbcglobal.net.

SEPT. 9 THROUGH NOV. 11

Computer classes

Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet. Computer Basics is a two session class held 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sept. 9 and 11.

Beginner Boot Camp allows new computer users a chance to learn new techniques and ask questions. E-mail Basics, will be held 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 and Internet Tricks 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21.

Come learn how to use the library's new technology, including a color scanner and a Kindle, at the New Tech Toys class, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 23.

Then in October, Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Register by calling 237-7340. Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

Call (231) 347-1181 extension 109 or by e-mail kevin@watershedcouncil.org to register or for more information.

SEPT. 14

Church Fall Fiesta

Join the women of the community Reformed Church for a "Fall Fiesta of Faith" at 6 p.m. on Sept. 14, at the Community Reformed Church. Enjoy a full potato/salad bar and dessert.

SEPT. 14, OCT. 13 AND 21, AND NOV. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St.

New members are welcome.

Sept. 14, The Shadow of the Wind, by Carlos Ruiz Zafon will be discussed. This coming-of-age tale of a young boy who, through the magic of a single book, finds a purpose greater than himself and a hero in a man he's never met "spins a web of intrigue so thick that it ensnares the reader from the very first line."

Nov. 9, The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Liars, by Kristina Riggle. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the "Great Michigan, Read" community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discussion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

Senior trip
From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieb@charlevoix-county.org

Riders must raise a minimum of \$200 in sponsor pledges to qualify.

For more information, go to www.trailingfortrump.org or contact Lisa McFarlan at (231) 582-6165.

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Then from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 16, the artists will gather together to discuss their group and answer questions about their process.

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Photo detective

The Photo Detective, aka Maureen Taylor, an internationally recognized expert on solving the mysteries of old photographs, will be on hand at the Charlevoix Public Library to help unravel the mysteries behind your old photographs.

During "Tales from the Photo Detective," 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, Taylor will examine several photos and show the clues that brought the pictures to life.

She will also share basic steps of her detective work with the audience. The evening will be capped off by the Michigan Room Committee presenting the Margaret Duerr award to John Frey.

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SEPT. 18 THROUGH 20

Breast cancer benefit

The fifth annual Trailing for Triumph for the benefit of Breast Cancer Research at Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

A new saddle will be awarded to the rider raising the most pledges.

SEPT. 24

American Red Cross blood drives

* Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 24 - Charlevoix at Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

SEPT. 26

Leukemia Walk

Registration for the Children's Leukemia Foundation

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Pewabic Pottery

Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, by Marcy Heller Fisher, is the story of a child discovering the beauty of Pewabic tile installations in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Fisher will speak from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the Charlevoix Public Library for two very different sessions. Children of all ages will have an opportunity to hear some of the stories from Fired Magic, while creating a Pewabic like tile magnet of their own alongside author Marcy.

Call 237-7350 to reserve a spot.

At 6:30 p.m., Fisher will present another program on contemporary Pewabic.

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Hearing on rec' plan

County to look at four-year recreation priorities

is holding "The Walk" is at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26, in the Historic Bayview Resort Community, Petoskey.

The Walk is at 10 a.m. and registration fee is \$20.

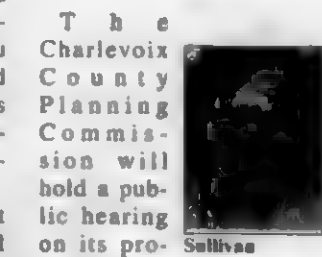
The Walk 2009 is right around the corner. Recruit a team, create a name and register. You can even set up a personalized fundraising page where friends and family members can support you and The Walk by making credit card pledges.

Each registered participant who raises \$100 or more will be eligible for an official 2009 The Walk T-shirt and prizes. Your \$20 registration fee will go toward the \$100.

Register online at www.leukemiainchicago.org, or call (800) 825-2536. On-site registration will also be available. Lunch will be available to all participants immediately following the walk.

Comments will be taken on the plan which commissioners seek to use as a guide for future recreational development.

"Basically what it does is it lines up, for the next four



Sullivan

years, what the priorities are for the county," said Charlevoix County Planner Larry Sullivan. "The main priorities ... are first to acquire lands to increase recreational opportunities across the county with emphasis on large parcels of property adjacent to recreational parks as they become available."

Other priorities in the plan include acquiring easements and outright ownership along areas where the plan is recommending non-motorized trails in the future.

Sullivan said commissioners have no plans to seek additional funding through local taxes or millages, but rather would seek to use existing recreational grants and other funding sources.

The hearing will occur in the Pine Lake Room located in the basement of the Charlevoix County Building at 301 State St.

This meeting is open to the public.

A copy of the proposed recreational plan can be found at www.charlevoix-county.org or by calling

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Good-bye, summer

Colorful characters of all kinds showed up for the annual Little But Mighty Bridge Walk on Sept. 7 in Downtown Charlevoix. Dozens of people participated in the annual good-bye to summer which also raises funds for causes such as this year's target of helping local food pantries.

PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON



Montessori, NWA schools merger approved

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Northwest Academy, a tuition-free public school, and Montessori-based Charlevoix Children's

House have announced a partnership that will offer Charlevoix students another option.

"By becoming a partner with Northwest Academy, Charlevoix Children's House Montessori becomes a pub-

lic school," said Northwest Academy Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Development, Gary Stutzman. "It's a privilege for us. We're in a position to offer outstanding quality education."

No longer will parents have to pay nearly \$6,000 to send their child to Montessori kindergarten class, though the pre-school is still fee based.

"My experience with the Montessori Philosophy be-

gan 31 years ago when my son entered the first Montessori class in the City of Charlevoix," said Diane Dreyer, administrator of Charlevoix Children's House. "My children's confidence and self-worth grew

with each year in Montessori," Dreyer added. "I am thrilled about the partnership of Charlevoix Children's House and Northwest Academy. This will enable

See MERGER, page 3

Coast Guard to county: Ironton Ferry must sound off or else

BY STEVE ZUCKER NEWS-REVIEW STAFF WRITER

After a little more than a week of relative quiet in the Ironton Narrows, Ironton Ferry resumed using the vessel's horn at each crossing under orders of the U.S. Coast Guard.

At Thursday's Charlevoix County Planning Commission meeting, commission chair-

man Denny Jason informed the rest of the board that the ferry resumed sounding its horn on each departure at about 3:30 p.m. Thursday.

Jason said officials with the U.S. Coast Guard in Grand Haven informed the county that the ferry must comply with a navigation rule that requires vessels to sound their horns for six seconds each time they

leave a dock, regardless of the county's pending application for a waiver of the rule.

For many years the operators of the ferry have used the horn only in very poor visibility or to warn other vessels in the event of an emergency situation.

However, a few weeks ago, an anonymous person called the U.S. Coast Guard Station Charlevoix to report that the

ferry was not sounding its horn on each departure as required by the rule.

After some research by county officials, the county board of commissioners initially instructed the ferry operators to use the horn as required by the rule.

At the commission's Aug. 26 meeting a large group of Ironton residents complained to the

board about the disturbance the ferry's horn creates — especially during busy times when it can sound every few minutes. After hearing their complaints, the commission suggested that ferry operators return to the previous emergency-only horn sounding practice, at least until they received an answer on their request for a waiver of the rule.

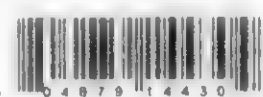
Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners Chairman Chris Christensen said on Monday that the commissioners put the Ironton residents on notice that the county would be forced to return to following the horn-sounding rule if its request for a waiver was denied.

Contact Steve Zucker by e-mail at szucker@petoskeynews.com.

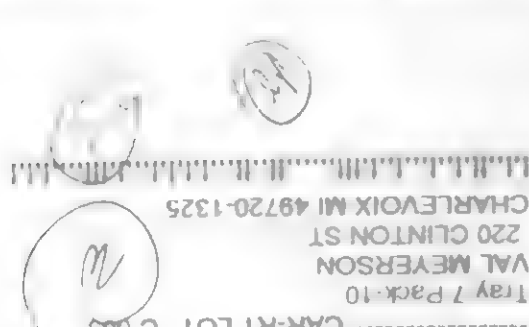
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Assumed Names
The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Webster Express, 04572 Loeb Road, Charlevoix, by Ray Webster
B & J Plumbing & Heating; Government Plumbing & Heating, 06238 US 31

South, Charlevoix, by John E. and William J. Haggard
John Napier Carpentry, 526 North Lake St. #150, Charlevoix, by John Napier
Brush Creek Ranch, 04545

Boysie City Road, Boysie City, by Gerritt J. Schurman
Serenity Gardens, 06115 Townsend Road, by Marcia Gibbard
Clint Berlage Build

er, 12400 Flagg Road, Charlevoix, by Clint Berlage
J. Biggerstaff Build-er, 8263 Shrigley Road, Charlevoix, by Jeremy Big-

gerstaff
Dionne Farms, 1249 Deer Lake Road, Boysie City, by Nathan M. and Ami M. Dionne

Crush raises more than \$64,000 for Children's Leukemia Foundation



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured at this year's CRUSH event (from left) are Doug Turnbull, Steven Bearden, Igor Iarionov, Jay Winans, and Rick and Cindy Portwood.

More than 100 people attended the first CRUSH Northern Michigan 2009 Wine & Food Classic Aug. 15, and more than \$64,000 was raised to benefit Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, a statewide agency whose mission is to help families cope with leukemia, lymphoma, and related blood disorders. The money raised will support more than 40 Michigan families for an entire year. Hosted at the private Boysie Falls home of Kathryn Kircher, the event offered the novice and connoisseur alike the opportunity to savor the very best food and wine while enjoying the

timeless beauty and charm of Northern Michigan. "CRUSH Northern Michigan was a success in every sense of the word," said William Seklar, President and CEO of Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan. "We couldn't have asked for a more picturesque setting than Kathryn Kircher's home on the Boysie River, and we're so thankful to everyone who made this great event possible. We continue to be humbled by the generosity shown by our guests and supporters, and we look forward to hosting CRUSH Northern Michigan again next year." Other honored guests in-

cluded Vicki and Tom Celani, Proprietors, Celani Family Vineyards; Jeremy Kittelson, Executive Chef, Restaurant Avondale in Vail, Colo.; and Ron Edwards, Master Sommelier, CRUSH Northern Michigan was based off of the CRUSH Birmingham event that debuted last year, also presented by the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan. This year's event is scheduled for Oct. 3 at The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham. For more information, visit www.crush2009.com or www.leukemiamichigan.org.

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BIRTHS

Joshua Wilson Boss weighing 9 pounds was born to Mark and Rachel Boss of Charlevoix. His siblings are Grace and Lilly. His grandparents are Bud and Judy Boss of Charlevoix and Mike and Sheila Eaton of Ooltewah, Tenn. His great-grandparents are Lawrence and Jeanette Boss and Robert and Macezella Potter all

from Charlevoix.

Madison Lee Richards weighing 7, pounds 11 ounces was born Aug. 27, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Daryl Richards and Amanda Brodin of Charlevoix. Her sibling is Troy Allen Richards. Her grandparents are Dennis and Eleanor Richards of East Jordan, Jeri and Theresa Brodin of Leechburg, Penn., and Donna Brodin

of Ardmore, Ok. Her great-grandparents are Genny Brodin of Charlevoix, Nancy Richards and Sylvia Read both of East Jordan, Ala. and Jackie Morris of Evanston, Wy. And Lynn and Roland Boudreau of Cumberland, R.I.

Vixen Alexis King weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces was born Aug. 28, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Breanna

Ashley King of Alba. Her grandparents are Jerrie Lynn King and Lavern Edward Smith both from Alba. Her great-grandparent is Nancie R. Brooke of Roscommon.

Devia Robert Crossman weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces was born August 19, 2009 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to David and Sara

Crossman of Central Lake. His grandparents are Robert and Cynthia Bruce, Lee and Paula Douglas and David Crossman all of Central Lake. His great-grandparents are Don and Barb Bruce of Central Lake and Wilson Crossman from Yuba.

Vehicle rollover

At approximately 9:50 p.m. on Saturday Aug. 22, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a vehicle roll-over on Black Road in Charlevoix just south of Klooster Road.

Chadwick York Allen, 30, was traveling southbound driving a 2006 Chevrolet pickup on Black Road when he lost control of his vehicle rolling multiple times before the truck landed on its side in a ditch.

Passenger Grant Edward Meggison, 29, of Charlevoix, was extricated from the truck by the City of Charlevoix Fire Department using the jaws of life.

Meggison was transported to the Charlevoix Area Hospital and treated for his injuries by the City of Charlevoix EMS who also assisted in the accident.

This incident remains under investigation; alcohol is thought to be a factor.

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Free kindergarten at Children's House

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Stutzman

all children to benefit from the Montessori experience." Stutzman stated that no financial consideration from Northwest

Academy was involved in facilitating the agreement. The Montessori classes will be funded by the state foundation grant for public education.

"It was simply a common-sense educational decision we made," Stutzman said. "I approached Charlevoix Children's House a year and a

half ago with this proposal. These are tough times. You can compare what's happening in the auto industry with what's happening to education in this country."

Curriculum Director and Literacy Programs Director of Northwest Academy, Phoebe Gohs, calls the Montessori program "another choice" for parents.

"While the Montessori method differs in how students are taught, the content remains the same," said Gohs, who also teaches first and second grade at Northwest Academy. "As Curriculum Director, I want to assure prospective parents that our students in the Montessori kindergarten will still master the state Grade Level Content Expectations that

they have consistently met in the multi-age classroom at Northwest Academy."

Northwest Academy's curriculum is based on the standards adopted by the State of Michigan and is held accountable for these standards through Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) testing and the No Child Left Behind Act.

"I am very excited about coming together with Northwest Academy to create an ultimate educational opportunity for children in this area," said Charlevoix Children's House Director Molly Arnold. "This partnership allows us to share the Montessori method with a larger range of families. We will continue to see the amazing results of allowing

children to grow and learn in an environment that promotes both the academics and many lifelong skills such as responsibility and self-confidence."

Citing the progressive impact of both schools in the community, Stutzman also conceded that any change is usually met with opposition. He believes that the hybrid will prove to enhance the way that education is delivered to children.

"We have put together what can become an educational juggernaut for this

area, not just Charlevoix," said Stutzman. "Grand Rapids Public Schools sponsor a Montessori program K-12 and are one of only two in the country that have a high school. We could very well do the same thing in the future with Northwest Academy."

Stutzman called public school academies the "change agent for public school reform."

"There are many people in the traditional educational fields that lay blame on the Charter Schools for being

the reason that the public schools are in trouble with declining enrollments, etcetera," he said. "Charter schools give students and families an option for pursuing their educational opportunities."

Stutzman added, "The fact that Northwest Academy and Charlevoix Children's House have come together shows that we are able to think outside the box and move forward with something that will really be great for the children of this community."

Camp Daggett presents Eco Challenge

At 1 p.m. on Sunday Sept. 20, 15 teams of six individuals will compete in the first Eco Challenge Event at the Camp Daggett Adventure Center (CDAC).

This light-hearted competition, a fundraiser for the Adventure Center, will consist of teams working together to complete an Eco Challenge course including a canoeing obstacle course, adventure ropes course challenges, and more.

The competition is not restricted to the extreme athlete; any individual or organization can put together a team to participate.

Teams can be a mix of six men and women age 18 and over. The cost to participate is a minimum of \$50 per person, or \$300 per team.

Teams can invite other "spirit team members" to pledge support for their team.

The team that raises the most money will receive an award along with many other awards of recognition during the closing ceremony.

To date, there are still openings for five teams.

"The Camp Daggett Adventure Center offers adventure education programs for participants of all ages and populations," said Karen Manetti, adventure center director. "Our programs build self confidence, enhance self esteem, promote teamwork and develop leadership qualities in our participants. The Eco Challenge teams will experience new challenges, in a surprise course, and learn a lot about themselves, leadership and cooperation."

The Adventure Center is open year-round for groups, organizations and businesses.

Teams can pre-register for the Eco Challenge by calling Karen Manetti at (231) 347-9742 extension 117 for a registration form.

The event begins at 1 p.m. with team registration, with the competition beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The event will come to a close with a barbecue dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by the closing ceremonies and awards presentations.

"Come for the challenge, come for the fun," said Manetti. "Teams and their supporters will have a great afternoon, enjoy the natural beauty of Walloon Lake, and experience all that Camp Daggett has to offer, all while raising

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Puddin' on the Ritz: The return of Lucian



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwidi

Lucian and Dora have arrived for a visit of an unspecified duration. There is a 14-pound frozen turkey in one of the two industrial-sized coolers that they've pulled from their filled-to-bursting mini-van. "I've cleared my desk at work," Dora announces. "We can stay 'til we stink!" "Oh, good. Let me help you with that steamer trunk."

Once they've settled into the guest room, Lucian commandeers the CD player, cranking the volume until the windows rattle. "What a great band," he says when Foghat's "Fool for the City" blasts from the speakers. "What's for dinner?"

"I made pizza with grilled veggies and crumbled bacon, and..." "Bacon?" Lucian scowls. "I don't eat bacon. You put bacon on the pizza?"

My husband looks at Lucian—all 280 pounds of him—and grins. "Really, Lucian? No bacon?"

"Nothing with a face, my man, except turkey and chicken. Also fish."

"Well, I made another kind," I say. "It's all vegetables. It's got feta and mushrooms..."

"I hate mushrooms."

Wait a minute. I feel a tiny surge of... what is it? I've felt it before. It's been a while, but I remember the sting, the moment of odd hopeful dizziness when I think, optimistically, that I'm going to black out. Oh,

yes. I remember this feeling. I want to slap Lucian until he cries.

"Sorry, Lu-Lu." (He hates to be called Lu-Lu. Who wouldn't?) "I made things I thought you'd love. What old hippie doesn't love mushrooms?"

"Nobody asked me. You made things that you like and just assumed I'd like them, too."

"Yeah, because you're not nine."

"I brought things you like, Lucian," says Dora. The Peacekeeper. She looks back and forth between Lucian and me. "Don't worry."

"But I want pizza," Lucian says. He narrows his eyes. "Without bacon or mushrooms."

"You can pick off the mushrooms," I tell him through clamped molars. "Or just have salad."

At dinner, Lucian piles shiteakes on the edge of his plate and talks about what his life will be like when he wins the lottery.

"I'll use it to buy myself a career in music," he says. "I'll have my own studio

and make albums and tour." "I suppose we'll never see you again," my husband says. "You'll be busy with your new better friends."

"Nah, I'll take care of you guys. You know that. Not if I only win a couple of million, though. That's just enough for Dora and me to fix up the house - add another bedroom. You understand. But if it's 15 million or more, you're covered."

Dessert is another disappointment. "The frosting's good," Lucian says. He begrudgingly dissects it from the cake with his fork, growing thoughtful for a moment while the sugar dissolves in his mouth. "I like puddin'," he announces as if someone had asked him to name his favorite thing. As though just the thought of it is ecstasy.

I snort and redirect a mouthful of wine into my nasal cavities. Puddin'? The word is fat and absurdly joyous. I picture Lucian on a blind date, expressing his proclivity for pudding without a 'g' to a nervous woman who is checking her

watch.

One of Lucian's great talents has always been his unconscious ability to surprise me into appreciating the moment. The ridiculous and the sublime are two sides of the same coin. I have to remember to stop struggling.

"Draw a cartoon, Lucian," I say when the dishes are cleared. "Draw yourself saying, 'I like puddin'.'" And he does.

Eventually, perhaps sometime before the snow flies, Dora and Lucian will pack up the van and disappear down the road I miss them already.



ART BY CREIGHTON "LUCIAN" HOLDEN

Christine Gwidi's friend Lucian depicts himself in this self-portrait on a first date proclaiming his love of puddin'.

Ear looks at plant growth



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

How plants managed to grow was a mystery to people for centuries. Animals grew by eating food. What did plants eat? The first person to suggest an answer was the Greek philosopher Aristotle, about 300 B.C., who did not do experiments, but simply observed and reasoned.

Every farmer knew in that long ago time that repeated growing of crops on the same land exhausted the soil and plants would no longer grow well on it.

Aristotle concluded that plants must use soil for food.

They somehow converted the humus of the earth into plant material.

His conclusion was so convincing that it was accepted mostly without contradiction for 2,000 years.

Few explanations have that kind of longevity.

In the mid-1600s a Dutch man named Jean Baptiste van Helmont performed what has been described as the first experiment in the history of

science.

It is much like the annual experiment here in Charlevoix with the Petunia baskets along Bridge street. Van Helmont carefully weighed out 200 pounds of soil, placed it in a tub, planted a small willow twig in it and covered the soil with a thin layer of lead to exclude any dust that might come by.

For five years he added only rain water to the tub.

The willow twig thrived and at the end of five years weighed 164 pounds.

The soil, carefully removed from the roots and tub still weighed 198 pounds and 14 ounces. Van Helmont concluded that plants clearly did not make themselves out

of soil.

They must make themselves out of water by some yet to be understood mechanism.

Our Petunia baskets clearly weigh more at the end of summer than they do at the beginning, and we have only added water - amazing.

Van Helmont's explanation was so good it was accepted as truth for more than a century.

But his approach of measuring everything would finally turn out to be his undoing.

In the early 18th century a Reverend Stephen Hales in England noted that plants,

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WEEKLY POLL

Question
Should the four Norwood Township officials be recalled?

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Plants grow out of light and air

PLANTS

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like people and other animals, perspired.

They evaporated water into the air. He carefully measured how much water plants took from the soil and how much they perspired off into the air.

To his surprise, the

amounts were very nearly the same. Plants must not be making themselves out of water.

They must be making themselves out of air, unlikely as that seemed at the time.

Within the next 50 years, Hales' explanation was also seen to be incomplete.

And we finally could con-

clude on the basis of many experiments done by many people, that plants make themselves out of light, a special kind of air called carbon dioxide, a tiny amount of water and an extremely small amount of material extracted from the soil.

All those early observers and experimenters were partly right. We now know that

plants produce the oxygen we animals need to survive.

And it only took about 2,000 years for that understanding to develop. Science, as they say, marches on.

It just does not march as fast as we might like or appreciate.

Next time you look at the burgeoning summer growth in our Petunia baskets, give

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Char-Em kicks off annual Day of Caring

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Char-Em United Way's 2009-2010 fundraising campaign is underway.

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MARTHA LANCASTER, CHAR-EM UNITED WAY DIRECTOR

In 2008, the group provided over \$200,000 in Community Investment Allocations and designated donations to 35 local health and human service agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet County.

"Our campaign theme this year is 'Live United: Give, Advocate, Volunteer,' which encourages people to become engaged in many ways and create lasting change in our community," said Board President Bob Carlile.

Co-chairing the campaign are Dale Hull, of Dale Hull and Associates, and Joanne Curtis, Financial Advisor with Raymond James Financial Services in Charlevoix.

"In this country, we have a tradition of helping people — that is the United Way," Hull said. "Philanthropy is unique in America. We give, advocate, and volunteer in impressive amounts. The programs which United Way supports in our community

are so important."

On Sept. 17, the organization's Day of Caring presents an opportunity for members of the community

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COURTESY PHOTO

A Charlevoix student unloads food from a Good Samaritan truck during the 2008 Day of Caring. Last year more than 700 volunteers participated in 50 projects.

business mail fundraising."

The Char-Em United Way campaign activities begin in early September with presentations and mailings to local businesses and mailings to families and individuals in Charlevoix and Emmet County. Many employers offer their staff the option of payroll deductions, and donors can also contribute by credit card and online. Funds raised through the annual campaign support health and human service agencies in the community.

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Charlevoix Circle of Arts presented the first annual Barbara MacArthur Environmental Recognition Award this year on June 26.

Conceived as a tribute to the memory of MacArthur's tireless efforts to focus awareness upon local and global peace and environmental concerns, the award was given to Lake Charlevoix Association in acknowledgment and appreciation of their role as guardians of Lake Charlevoix.

"We're thrilled to be the recipients of the Barbara MacArthur award," said Dan Mishler of Lake Charlevoix Association. "I think that's such an honor."

For 17 years, Lake Charlevoix Association has annually rented the Beaver Islander ferry for two days to take four groups of middle school students on a half-day educational exploration of Lake Charlevoix. Water samples are collected and insects, fish and wildlife indigenous to the lake are observed and discussed.

The objective is to foster appreciation for the beauty of the

area while instilling a sense of responsibility for the environment.

"I approve of the first recipient," said Bruce MacArthur of the commemorative honoring his late wife. "I think it's well deserved. I'm aware of their mission and it's commendable."

Barbara died on Dec. 14, 2008.

"Barbara came to our grand opening in June 2008," said Kathryn Lobenherz, president of the board of directors of Charlevoix Circle of Arts. "She was frail, but very excited and supportive. She said, 'You should do a recycled art show,' and gave us a Bonsai tree made from old metal coat hangers as inspiration."

In April, Charlevoix Circle of Arts mounted the Earth Day show featuring recycled art. The Bonsai tree remains as a loving reminder of MacArthur and motivated the group's decision to create the annual award in her honor.

"She was an activist 30 hours a day. She was so amazing," said friend and fellow activist Jo Anne Beemon. "Barbara had magnets made up that said 'Water is Life.' And Lake

Charlevoix Association is a fabulous group. I think she would be pleased to be recognized as a conservationist."

Beemon and MacArthur were members together of the Women in Black movement.

They stood with others on the corner of Bridge Street and Clinton Avenue every Friday, dressed in black clothing, as an appeal for an end to the war in Iraq.

"The first thing about Barbara is that she was a gentle lady. Kind and determined to make the world a better place for everybody," Beemon said. "She never raised her voice or was ever anything but polite and caring, but she was one of the most radical women I've known."

Beemon recalled that MacArthur chalked peace messages on the sidewalk and wrote "End War" on the bottom of tiny toy soldiers that she would then disperse around town.

"Barbara was elegant and she sold the ideas of disarmament and a Department of Peace and environmental responsibility over tea served in delicate cups with cookies or beautiful cake," said Beemon. "And I miss her."



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Soccer Samaritans

On Tuesday, Sept. 1, Wade Werth and Ben Myers of Charlevoix Rayder soccer donated their time to teach the children attending the (WRC) Children's Learning Center about soccer.

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Friday, September 18, 10:00-11:00 am
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OBITUARIES

Frances "Kay" Themm: April 20, 1935 - Sept. 4, 2009

Mrs. Frances "Kay" Themm, 74, of Fruitland Park, Fla. passed away on Friday morning, Sept. 4, 2009.

Kay was born Frances "Kay" Cunningham in Charlevoix on April 20, 1935, to Albert "Mick" Cunningham and Helen Grace (Shores) Cunningham.

She attended the Charlevoix School System, graduating in 1952; then went to tele-type school in Chicago.

She married Winston Dale Mathews in Sept. 1953. To that union Dale L. Mathews was born in June, 1954 at the Air Force Base in Puerto Rico.

Mr. Mathews died in a plane crash in June 1956 while living in Almont, MI. She and her son Dale then returned to Charlevoix where she was a cashier in the Edward's IGA Grocery store. Kay and Charles F. "Chuck" Themm were married on July 25, 1964 at the

First Congregational Church in Charlevoix by Rev. Harold Kohn. Kay and Chuck settled in Imlay City, MI where Chuck was a finance officer-banker until they moved in June, 1969 to Island View, Charlevoix.

They raised their three children, Dale, Cynthia and Geoffrey with the views of Lake Michigan. Kay, Chuck and Cynthia moved to Orange Blossom Gardens (now the Villages) in October 1987.

Kay worked at Sharon's Hallmark for three years, then the Pro-Shop at the Country Club Hills and on Bichara Blvd., The Villages. When that retail store closed and became Banner Mercantile in 1999 she continued her association with that "Signature" Store, working recently on the first floor of the LaReina Building.

Kay was featured with the full page photo and story in the August's The Villages

magazine.

Kay was highly regarded by all who knew her and very much loved by her co-workers. Kay and Chuck are members of the New Life Presbyterian Church, Fruitland Park, Fla.

Kay is survived by her loving husband, Charles "Chuck" Themm, their oldest son, Dale L. Mathews and Connie, Cynthia Dawn (Themm) Mianulli and Joe, and Geoffrey Charles Themm and her grandchildren Audrie L. Themm and Austin G. Themm. Three Step-grandchildren, Adam Moore (and Elizabeth) of Fruitland Park, Joe Mianulli and Jimmy Mianulli, of Chicago. "Kay" is also

survived by her 95 year old mother, Helen Grace Cunningham, three sisters, Bev (John) Sladek, Janice (Phillip) Farmer, and Sharon (Neil) Woodbury all of Charlevoix, as well as many cousins and three aunts. Also dear friends, Heather

Bray and Eric James of Exmouth, Devon UK and The Villages. Her father passed away in February, 1975.

Visitation was held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

A funeral service will be 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, with the Reverend Neil Wilson officiating.

Burial will take place at the Barnard Cemetery in Charlevoix.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Kay's name to the North Lake Presbyterian Church Lady Lake Food Bank; 975 Rolling Acres Road, Lady Lake, FL 32159 or New Life Presbyterian Church 201 E. LaVista St., Fruitland Park, FL 34731.

Online condolences may be left at www.beyersfuneralhome.com

Dolores T. Webster: Feb. 20, 1927 - Sept. 3, 2009

Dolores T. Webster, 82, of Charlevoix, passed away Thursday, Sept. 3, 2009, at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing Home in Charlevoix.

A service was held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

The Reverend Michael Arp of the Family of Faith Ministries officiated at the grave side.

Dolores was born Febru-

ary 20, 1927, in Hamtramck to Frank and Stella (Yucha) Grzeskiewicz.

On April 21, 1950, she married Allan K. Webster in Toledo, Ohio.

They made their home in Royal Oak before Dolores moved to Charlevoix in the early '80s.

Allan preceded her in death on Nov. 6, 1983.

She is survived by her sons, Allan Harry (Susan)

Webster of Royal Oak, Timothy (Susan) Webster of Charlevoix, Terry Lee Webster of Romulus; daughter, Lorrie (Ken) DeLong of LaPeer; grandchildren, Jamie, Kyle, and Kevin Webster; Keith Webster, Geraldine Hulsey, Kristy Vorac; Michael, Matthew, Nathan DeLong; great-grandchildren, Jaden, Ryan, Allen, Samantha, Kirsten, Aleah, Gavin, Luke, Carleigh, and McKen-

zie; sister-in-law, Janet Louisselle of Charlevoix. Dolores enjoyed football and the Lions, and baseball and the Tigers.

She was a loving mother, and was the best Granny anyone could ask for.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

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Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009

LETTERS to the editor

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Much appreciative

Editor:

I want to express my deep thanks and appreciation to that group, or persons, who have dyed dark green the old white plastic milk jugs that are hung on the cemetery water taps.

What a great idea for community beautification.

The dark green jugs blend into, and do not detract from, the natural beauty of the green wooded cemetery, as the white plastic gallon jugs used to do.

At the same time the convenience of the handy water jugs is not impaired, and are close at hand for family members caring for their family's plots.

One of the most beautiful days to visit Brookside Cemetery is Memorial Day when it is covered with American flags marking veteran's grave sites, and families decorating their loved ones' burial sites with flowers.

It moved me to tears this year. Charlevoix's Brookside Cemetery is a unique jewel for its location, natural beauty and excellent maintenance, thanks to the dedicated families, citizens and workers, who love and care for it.

Shirley J. Durance
Charlevoix

Support appreciated

I recently helped a friend and her family through the birth and passing of my friend's granddaughter. During such a difficult time it was so great to be involved with so many wonderful people that were not only willing but gave of themselves in a very wonderful way.

I feel so much the need to send out Kudos to these people in thanks: Northwest Michigan Regional Hospital, obstetrics, especially Linda, for all the extra thought in the preparation for the birth of this little girl.

Making sure all the family had what they needed and making all the memories of her 35 minutes of life ones that will remain in their hearts.

Hospice of Little Grand Traverse Bay, especially Megan, for allowing us to have the luncheon for family and friends for the service.

It was such a beautiful room. And for helping with setting up

and clean up.

Terry Amick, for donating the subs to feed the family and friends at the luncheon.

I could not have done everything I did to help without the help of these people, and Aunt Jean.

I know the family is super thankful for everything as well.

Shelia Davis
Charlevoix

Examining independence

Editor:

As we begin the 233rd year of American independence, we desperately need to ask ourselves, "What truths do we still hold?" When the Founders said, "We hold these truths to be self-evident . . .", it was 18th century talk for, "Any moron ought to be able to get this."

You were probably as incensed as I was when Resident Obama recently told Turkish officials, and the watching world, that "... we do not consider ourselves a Christian nation" or on a recent trip to Egypt that America is "one of the largest Muslim countries in the world."

Never mind that the government's own statistics show that less than one percent of Americans claim the Islamic faith. The technical term for what is happening is "historic revisionism."

In everyday terms, it is the practice of telling a lie loud enough and often enough that an entire population begins to believe it.

We know beyond any doubt that America was founded on the bedrock of Biblical truth and no matter how distorted a view revisionists take on this subject, those who shaped our republic were God-fearing, Bible-believing statesmen who wanted this Nation to embody the governmental principles of God's Word.

John Adams said, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

Today when historic revisionists are determined to cast off the bands of the Christian religion in our nation and tell lies like, "America is not a Christian nation," we need to set the record straight.

I believe the founders would be turning in their graves if they

could hear some of the gross distortions of their deepest beliefs and dearest hopes.

If the fiery Patrick Henry were still on the scene, he would be delivering powerful messages against these assaults on liberty and would, no doubt, be organizing his company of volunteer "Minutemen."

If you want to know what the U.S. Constitution means, you must read the Declaration of Independence that explains what the founders intended, because our nation was founded to attain religious freedom, for all Americans, from the Church of England.

Wake up America before its to late and all our freedoms are gone.

Jerry Evans
East Jordan

Fear not reform

Editor:

As Americans we believe our values of morality and generosity make this the greatest country in the world. After World War II we wisely created the Marshall Plan to help rebuild a devastated Europe and Japan, understanding that it would prevent a future disaster.

Why are we now struggling to apply these values to a basic health care plan for everyone? Crowds of angry people have been shouting down our representatives at town hall meetings. The stunning fact is they are not shouting because 47 million people don't have health care. They are shouting because they fear change in the health care system.

They claim we have the best health care in the world, yet we are ranked 37th. That means 36 countries have better health care. We are ranked 50th in life expectancy. We are first in one category: We pay more than any other country.

They are worried that a public health care plan would have gov-

ernment bureaucrats making decisions about what doctors and services patients receive. Apparently they prefer private insurance company bureaucrats making decisions based on profits and investment returns, resulting in policies being canceled and patients being denied services.

The current health care cost system is a major threat to our economy. People who are fortunate enough to have insurance pay higher prices for premiums and services because the costs for treating people without insurance get passed on. Patients without insurance end up being treated in crisis mode at the most expensive delivery point ... the emergency room and hospital. Most bankruptcies in our country are brought on by staggering medical bills, and most of these

people had insurance

A public option plan would allow people the choice of a Medicare-type insurance: Insurance that wouldn't cancel you, wouldn't exclude you for pre-existing conditions, insurance you wouldn't lose if you lost your job, and you could take with you anywhere in the country. Medicare, a government insurance program, uses private doctors, private medical delivery systems, and doesn't tell you what doctor to choose. This will not change.

Rebuilding a devastated health care system should include: Prevention and wellness programs, competitive drug prices, cost controls, and compensation to doctors based on the improved health of their patients.

Anger and negativity is being incited by talk show hosts like

Rush Limbaugh.

Rush is paid millions of dollars to create fear and anger, not morality and generosity.

His success is based on ratings, and the more he rants, the more money he makes. Would this fear and anger have rebuilt Europe and Japan?

Accessible, affordable health care respects the value of each life. Which America do you want to stand for? The America with the morals and foresight to create a "Marshall Plan" for health care as a fundamental right, or the America supporting health care as a privilege, protecting profits for insurance, medical, and pharmaceutical companies, threatening America's health and economic security.

Connie Saltonstall
Charlevoix

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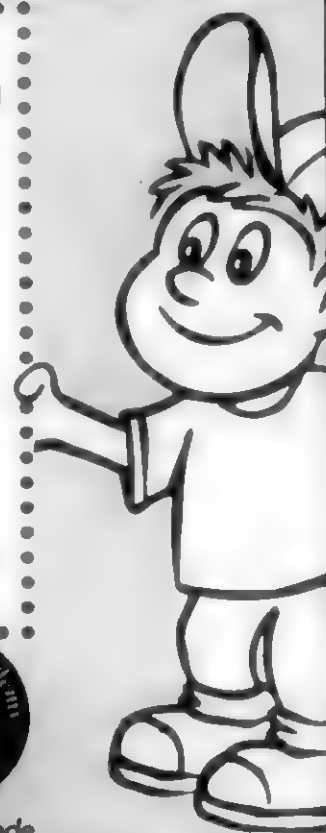
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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Colorado College

Michelle Fritsch, daughter of Nora and John Fritsch, is on the 2008-2009 dean's list at Colorado College. Students are placed on the dean's list if they maintain a grade point average of 3.75 or higher while carrying a full class load for the entire academic year.

Grand Valley State University

Grand Valley State University announces the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the Winter 2009 semester. The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.

Students honored for the fall semester include:

Boysen City's Kathleen Adkinson; Matthew Dyer; Melanie Higgins; Shelley Kolesky; Sally McKenney; Amy Schneider; Carly Stueber; Trisha Tomkins; Heather Worden.

Charlevoix's Tyler Bier; Lawrence Denemy; Andrea Farrell; Aaron Hagen; Sarah Hagen; Tess Hoaglund; Dillon Omsstead; Logan Press; Sarah Shepard; Jacob Teuscher; Adam Wager; Cody Wheat.

Ellsworth's Hannah Boss.

Grand Valley State University Graduate List

Students who graduated at the conclusion of the Winter 2009 semester in April include:

Boysen City's Lindsey R. Adams, BS; Deanna M. Avery, MED; Melanie J. Higgins, BS; Sally J. McKenney, BA; Kayla S. Riedel, BS; Carly A. Stueber, BA.

Charlevoix's Julie M. Berg-

mann, MED; Tyler J. Bier, BBA; Tess L. Hoaglund, BA; Cody M. Wheat, BS.

East Jordan's Courtney A. Hammond, BS; Whitney L. Hersberger, BA.

Ellsworth's Joshua J. Barrow, BS.

• CCCC scholarships

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation announces scholarships to area grads.

This fall, college tuition will be a little easier on the pockets of area families, thanks to scholarships totaling over \$120,000 recently awarded through the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

Among the students receiving scholarships are:

Beaver Island: Caitlin Boyle received the \$250 21st Century Learning Scholarship. She will attend Michigan State University and major in animal sciences.

Maew Green was awarded the \$250 21st Century Learning Scholarship.

Charlevoix: Geoffrey Bauer received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship. He will major in political science at the University of Michigan.

Jessica Bills was awarded the \$2,700 Belvedere Scholarship. She will attend Grand Valley State University and study nursing.

Ben Castiglione received the \$1,700 Belvedere Scholarship. He will major in architecture at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Courtney Chamberlain received the \$2,200 Belvedere Scholarship to attend Central Michigan Uni-

versity.

Megan Cross was awarded the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship. She will attend Northwestern Michigan College and major in nursing.

Justin Friske received the \$1,700 Belvedere Scholarship. He plans to attend Ferris State University and major in nuclear medicine.

Gena Gaudio received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship to attend Michigan State University and study communications.

Marnie Greene was awarded the \$500 Charlevoix Lions Club-Don Meggison Scholarship. She plans to attend Central Michigan University and major in special education.

Michael Heckendorn received the \$500 Charlevoix Lions Club-Don Meggison Scholarship. He will attend Anderson University and major in social work.

Emily Heffling received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship. She will major in pre-law at Michigan State University.

Kyle Jones received the \$2,800 Belvedere Scholarship. He will attend Ferris State University and major in construction management.

Raymond Jones received the \$2,500 Belvedere Scholarship. He will major in nursing at Mid Michigan Community College.

Sherry Kirby received the \$1,350 Charlevoix Area Hospi-

tal Nursing Scholarship to attend Ferris State University.

Becca Madison was awarded the \$2,500 Belvedere Scholarship to attend Ohio Wesleyan University.

Stephanie Murray received the \$1,000 Belvedere Scholarship. She will attend Northern Michigan University and study art history.

Julie Neider received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship to study radiography at Mid Michigan Community College.

Tamara Potter was awarded the \$500 Charlevoix Lions Club-Coleman Scholarship and the \$2,400 Belvedere Scholarship. She will attend Alma College and major in education.

Teresa Potter received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship. She will major in athletic training at Saginaw Valley State University.

Ariel Ramsey was awarded the \$2,500 Belvedere Scholarship. She will major in nursing at North Central Michigan College.

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\$1,000 Belvedere Scholarship. She will attend Grand Rapids Community College and study landscape architecture.

Charisse Rogers was awarded the \$1,600 Belvedere Scholarship to attend Central Michigan University.

T. Robert Rundblad received the \$1,400 Belvedere Scholarship to attend Central Michigan University.

Kyle Smith received the \$2,000 Belvedere Scholarship. He will major in accounting at Grand Valley State University.

Elise Smolensky was awarded the \$1,300 Earl Miller Oppor-

nity Scholarship. She will major in illustration at the College for Creative Studies.

JD Speigl received the \$2,500 Belvedere Scholarship. He will attend North Central Michigan College and study science/chiropractic medicine.

Caitlin Taylor received the \$850 Elizabeth Griffin Herman Coleman Scholarship. She will study landscape architecture at Michigan State University.

Brock Yinglin received the \$500 Charlevoix Lions Club-Coleman Scholarship. He will study in the pre-dental program at Grand Valley State University.

"Fifteen percent of my awareness is saying, 'You won.' And the other 85 percent is saying, 'You idiot,'" JON GOLDSTICK

awareness is saying, 'You won.' And the other 85 percent is saying, 'You idiot,'" Goldstick said. "The check looks so real. It has watermarks and everything."

Accompanying the check was a flyer with the heading "Equity Trust" which

year-old said. "A \$30 bounced check fee is bad."

The scam works when an unwitting check recipient deposits the realistic check in their bank account. They are then directed to send differing amounts of money back to the contest provider in order

explained that Goldstick had won \$200,000. According to the flyer, which carried a Las Vegas P.O. Box and a Canadian phone number, Goldstick was given the \$4,980 check to help cover the "administrative fees ... meant to satisfy official laws and income tax protocols as mandated by the U.S. Government."

In addition to being liable for the amount of money deposited from a bad check, participants could also face overdraft fees from their bank.

"Both me and my mom are on a fixed income," the 60-

to satisfy the alleged administrative fees and income tax requirements.

"My sister knew a person that had basically the same thing," Goldstick said. "They said, 'Send us \$300' and she did not have that so they said, 'Send us \$200' and we'll release a million and you can pay back the other hundred."

He added, "They made it sound so good."

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema said finding and prosecuting these cheaters is nearly impossible, but you can protect yourself.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders holding their own in cross country

Results of the Dwayne Rau Memorial Cross Country Invitational at Ogemaw Heights High School in West Branch.

Boys
First place Traverse City Central 59 points, second place Ogemaw 65 points, third was Charlevoix with 75 points Overall.

Charlevoix was first in the small school division.

There were 12 teams
Eric Buday 3rd 17:37 - medalist

Kirk Acharya 10th 18:15 - medalist

Andrew Plude 11th 18:16 - medalist

Vinny Von Lau 25th 19:17 - medalist

Neil Salisbury 37th 19:41 - medalist

Alex Gooch 39th 19:47 - medalist

Doug Reynolds 42nd

19:56
Will Jeakle 44th 20:07 - medalist

Brian Shutler 89th 23:02

Ace Edick 107th 24:37

Tyler Whitley 132nd 29:21

Matt Brown 133rd 29:22

There were 139 who finished the race.

Girl's results
First place was Alpena with 40 points, second place

was Cadillac with 88 points and third was Charlevoix with 109 points.

Charlevoix was 1st in the small school division and 12 teams competed

Molly Jeakle 4th 22:11 - medalist

Hilary Way 18th 23:55 - medalist

Lauren Bartling 22nd 24:13 - medalist

Annie Dipert 32nd 24:47

Jane Balasz 35th 25:02
Stirling Witthoeft 38th 25:15

Krista Pischner 50th 26:04 - medalist

Madeline Jeakle 55th 26:22

Rachel Boss 78th 28:34

Sarah Mackenzie 85th 28:56

There were 128 who finished the race.

Medals were based on finishing in the top 30 percent of your grade level.

The next race is the home invitational the Charlevoix Classic Mud Run on Sept. 12.

Races begin at 9:30 a.m. and 20 to 25 teams are expected to participate.

Hundreds compete at Beaver Island Marathon



The Beaver Island Marathon was held on Sept. 5.

The winners are pictured (left).

Following are the results of the island's Boston Marathon qualifier:

MEN'S RESULTS

First place was Rich Power, 45, of Rochester, with 2:55:14.

Second place was Phil Kauppi, 36, of Mount Pleasant, with 3:19:59.

Third was Christopher Braun, 34, of Wilmette, Ill., with 3:20:56.

WOMEN'S RESULTS

First place was Karen Kirt, 42, of Lake Leelanau, with 3:38:08.

Second place was Stacey Roberts, 40, of Leland, with 3:38:08.

Third place was Jobie Neucks, 33, of Holland, with 3:44:18.

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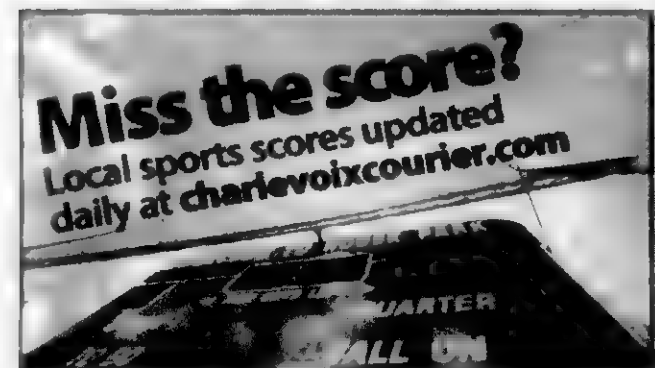
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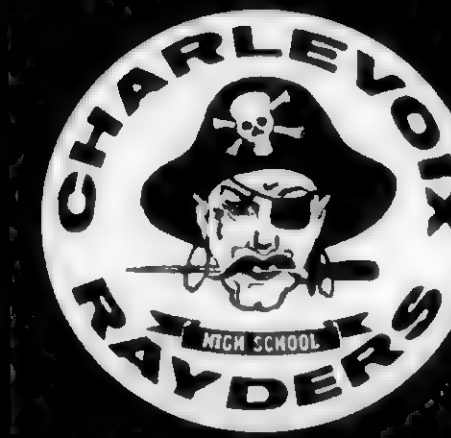
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The Charlevoix High School football team members are front (from left) Isaac Hosper, Jake McClean, Chris Kala, Justin Williams, John Boss, Braden Knoop, Ryan Penfold; middle, assistant Brandon Webb, Jordan Jones, Clayton Mitchell, Alex Foster, J.T. Lawrence, Dylan Sladek, Michael Berry, Steven Belfry, Zach Smith; back, coach Don Jess, Coby Herriman, Casey Helstrom, Ian Gauthier, Bill Ivan, Chris Levens, Hunter Johnstone, Jacob Roach, assistant Steve Gauthier and assistant Keith Carey.

News-Review

Strong start for Rayder varsity football

BY STEVE FOLEY
NEWS-REVIEW

They accomplished a key goal in 2008, and now they want to take it a step further.

With solid personnel returning including an Indiana-signee to anchor the offensive line, Charlevoix is hoping to not only return to the playoffs, but to garner some success there.

"Our goal is to come together as a family and we've been preaching nobody here is better than the team," said Don Jess, who is 28-29 in his seven-year career as the Rayders' coach. "The kids want to make the playoffs again and we've never won a playoff game so one of our goals is to get a playoff

win. "The kids are doing a good job of staying focused on (opening night opponent) St. Ignace. From there, we'll work towards that playoff goal."

The Rayders, who finished 5-5 overall and 4-3 (fourth place) in the Lake Michigan Conference last fall, feature a good-sized offensive line, which is a big key, Jess said.

Senior co-captain Bill Ivan, a 6-foot-5 260-pound tackle who has signed with Indiana, anchors the line as he enters his third varsity season.

"Having Ivan being recruited really boosted the confidence of our entire offensive line," Jess said. "Our offense is pretty ver-

satile in that we can run the belly or the spread."

"Having Ivan being recruited really boosted the confidence of our entire offensive line," Rayder varsity football coach Don Jess said

Also back up front is 6-4, 290-pound Ian Gauthier, who is also in his third season, while senior Chris Levens is also back and is coming off a solid summer, Jess said.

Another senior Justin Williams, who goes 245, also returns up front. Senior co-captain Clayton Mitchell also returns. He completed 103 of 200 passes for 1,035 yards and 15 touchdowns last year in

earning all-area honors. "Clayton is serviceable

boarder and snowboarder who has great balance, and he's super fast."

Senior Isaac Hosper, a halfback last season, will move to fullback. "We've got some holes to fill with guys we lost last year, but we have some really good football players and more importantly, some really good young men," Jess said.

Among Mitchell's main targets are seniors Alex Foster and J.T. Lawrence, while the running attack is paced by sophomore standout Jake McClean, who Jess described as "very strong and fast."

"He's different in that he's not your typical athlete," Jess said. "He's a skate-

boarder and snowboarder who has great balance, and he's super fast."

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"We've got some holes to fill with guys we lost last year, but we have some really good football players and more importantly, some really good young men," Jess said.

Ivan, Williams, Gauthier and Levens will start up front on defense. Lawrence returns for his third season at cornerback, while the linebacking

corps will center around seniors Hunter Johnstone and Casey Helstrom.

"Having those two guys (Johnstone, Helstrom) are two nice additions for us," Jess said. "They could take us from good on defense to great."

The Rayders beat rival St. Ignace, a playoff team last season, for their traditional opener.

"We have a great coaching staff and we all want to make the kids better people," Jess said. "If we can make them gentlemen and better people, in turn you should be a better football player."

"Winning is certainly a priority for us. I think with our offensive line and with Bill (Ivan) attending a lot of summer camps, they should be ahead of the game."

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Rayder girls' cross country tight-knit

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Charlevoix Rayder girls' cross country coach Mary Plude began her season with 10 girls in the pre-season and hopes of adding four more.

"I have three great leaders in my senior class with Krista Pischner, Madeline Jeakle and Rachel Boss," Plude said. "They have been on the team for three years and have a great respect among their teammates."

She added, "We are a very tight-knit group both in spirit and in our racing. We have five sophomores: Molly Jeakle, Hilary Way, Lauren Bartling, Stirling Witthoef and Anne Dipert, coming back with varsity experience from last year and Krista (Pischner) has been on varsity for three years."

Plude said her team's only weakness is not having much state meet level experience. "We have competed in two

invitationals during the pre-season and finished fourth against Benzie Central and first against Ogemaw-West Branch," she said. "Our next meet is our only home meet on Sept. 12 with the Charlevoix classic mud run."

Plude's girls finished sixth in the regional and third in the conference last year. "We will be working on developing our pack closer to the front of the races this year. Jeakle has been our top finisher in both our races so far this year," she said. "We had a couple of nagging injuries that cleared up for the most part during camp. As soon as we are full strength, the pack should tighten up around Molly."



Pictured (above) the Charlevoix Rayder girls' cross country team is (back, from left) coach Mary Plude, Hilary Way, Molly Jeakle, Lauren Bartling, Madeline Jeakle, Sarah McKenzie, (front, from left) Krista Pischner, Stirling Witthoef, Anne Dipert, Jane Balasz and Rachel Boss.

Pictured (left) the 2009 Charlevoix Rayder varsity boys' cross country team consists of (back, from left) coach Ken Plude, Matt Brown, Ace Edick, Will Jeakle, Brian Shutter, Eric Buday, Andrew Plude, assistant coach Pat Rajewski, missing is John Kelly, (front, from left) Doug Reynolds, Neil Salisbury, Tyler Whitley, Vinnie VonLaw, Alex Gooch and Kirk Acharya. See the story on page 7.

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The Charlevoix varsity volleyball is pictured (front, from left) Nikki Speigl, Kelly Greyerblehl, Taylor Storm, Jenna Way, Isis Hang; back, coach Liz Grunch, Sarah Potter, Allison Hankins, Bobbie Molter, and Katie Mays.

NEWS-REVIEW



The Charlevoix freshman volleyball team is pictured (front, from left) Katie Paramo, Cassidy Peebles-Marfuta, Paige Poirier, Halsey Givens; back, coach Murphy Gillespie, Autumn Sobieski, Kelsae Stevens, Morgan Holecheck, Grace Glenn, and Anna Way.

NEWS-REVIEW



The Charlevoix junior varsity volleyball team is pictured (front, from left) Christina Russell, Sydney Carlson, Maddy Zimmerman, Chelsie Hoffman, Kelsae Way; back, Audra Randall, Karley Pearsall, Amber Schmidt, Tanesha Rogers, Megan Peters, and Bailey Stevens.

NEWS-REVIEW

Rayder varsity volleyball a winning tradition

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With six returning seniors coming off a conference-winning previous season, Charlevoix Rayder varsity girls' volleyball coach Liz Grunch is upbeat about the upcoming season.

"We are having a both height on offense and the quickness on defense. There is potential to for this team

to be great," she said. "Last season we ended up 13-1 winning the conference. Charlevoix has won conference five out of the six past seasons."

Grunch added, "We, the players and I, have started a tradition in Charlevoix that the community, school, and fans can be proud of."

Charlevoix has 10 players on the Varsity squad this season with six seniors,

one junior and three sophomores.

"Our strengths: quickness and desire. My players have such a passion for being competitive and playing for each other. They are working hard day in and day out. I could not ask for more from the team," Grunch said.

"Weaknesses: we have limited varsity game play experiences. We have two players from last year, Taylor Storm

and Jenna Way, the complete season full rotation. This season, I am asking a lot of my younger players to step in and fill some big roles."

Now in her ninth season of coaching, Grunch is positive her girls can compete with the best the Lake Michigan Conference has to offer.

"We have had two tournaments this season," she said. "Our first tournament in Pellston, we placed third,

and the second, in Leland, we also placed third."

Returning players are: seniors - libero, Taylor Storm an all-conference honorable mention; Sarah Potter; Isis Hang; Bobbie Molter; Bailey Chamberlain; and Nikki Speigl; junior - Katie Mays; and sophomore - Jenna Way, an all-conference, all-Region; all-state honorable mention in 2008; Allison Hankins, and Kelly Greyer

biehl.

"Our biggest competition this year is Traverse City St. Francis," she said. "Also tough this year in the league is Harbor Springs, Boyne City and Kalkaska."

The Charlevoix Invitational Tournament is Saturday, Sept. 19.

The last 4 years, Charlevoix has made Team Academic All-State.



Rayder varsity soccer team young, but tough and able

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

With a current roster of 18 players, Josh Block isn't too worried that he only has two returning seniors.

According to the Rayder varsity boys' soccer coach, he has the same nine players working together for the third year in a row.

"Our strength is, two years ago I started nine freshmen together, and last year I started nine sophomores together and this year I started nine juniors together," Block said. "That is literally my starting line-up — it has not changed in three years."

Now a third of the way into the season, Block's boys are 5-0, having recently beaten Elk Rapids for the first time ever.

"We're fortunate. Our team's good enough this

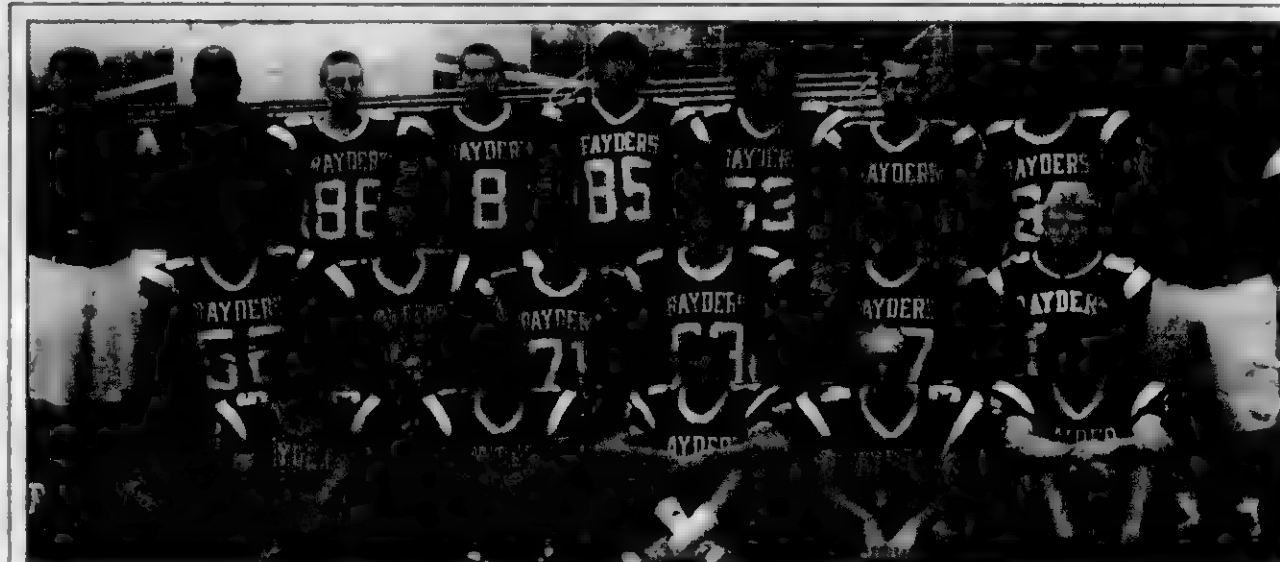
year we can get up on most teams we've played so far and get the younger players out on the field to get them some experience," he said.

"Our win at Elk Rapids was positive for a couple reasons: we've never beaten them before; and we've had some minor sportsmanship problems between the two schools last year we were trying to work out."

Block said both schools have done a fine job of working toward civility and good sportsmanship.

"We had a great game and there was a high level of mutual respect," he said. "Some very competitive soccer was played. It was just a really fun game."

Block said the biggest competition his players will face will come again from Elk Rapids and Traverse City Christian.



NEWS-REVIEW

Junior varsity football

Members of the Charlevoix Rayders junior varsity football team include Alex Wahs, Andrew Robarge, Austin DeVries, Charlie Hamilton, Clay Helms, Drew Seymour, Grayson Speigl, Jamelle Kelly, Jared Ribel, Jesse Drost, Josh Hogan, Keegan LeBlanc, Matt Denison, Miles Kerr, Morgan Stewart, River Gauthier and Tommy Zipp.

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Slots still open on Rayder tennis team

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

While the shift of seasons for high school tennis continue to hurt his numbers, Charlevoix Rayder boys' tennis coach Erik Lundteigen said he is looking forward to a great season.

"It's a lifelong game," he

said. "I love seeing young adults playing it because you can do it forever."

The tennis team currently has 10 members.

"We need to get two more to have a full squad," Lundteigen said. "I'm hoping to pick a couple more up as school starts."

With no returning seniors, Lundteigen will rely

on his returning sophomores and juniors to round out his squad.

"We're getting better every day we have a practice,"

he said.

"Logan Klein is

our number one player in

singles and Matt Murray is our number one doubles

player."

He added, "It's pretty early in the season so we haven't solidified any positions per se, but I would definitely consider those guys as my more experienced players."

Anyone interested in

joining the tennis team should call 547-2593.

"We're getting better every day we have a practice," Lundteigen said. "I'm seeing great improvement, we just need to get our numbers up."

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Cross country team anticipating mud run

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Charlevoix Rayders have a boys' cross country team of 13 this year.

"The team has solid leadership in Senior Jon Kelly and Doug Reynolds," said coach Ken Plude. "They are joined by Senior Neil Salisbury and Junior Eric Buday."

This core of leadership is backed up by a strong

sophomore class which includes Kirk Acharya, Andrew Plude, Vinnie Von Law, Alex Gooch and Will Jeakle.

"This team will need to work on tightening up the time between one and the second and third runners and also the gap between the third and the fourth through seventh runners," he said. "They have the potential to form a very tight group that will help them move up in the standings at larger invitational. Last year the boys qualified to the state meet and finished 14th."

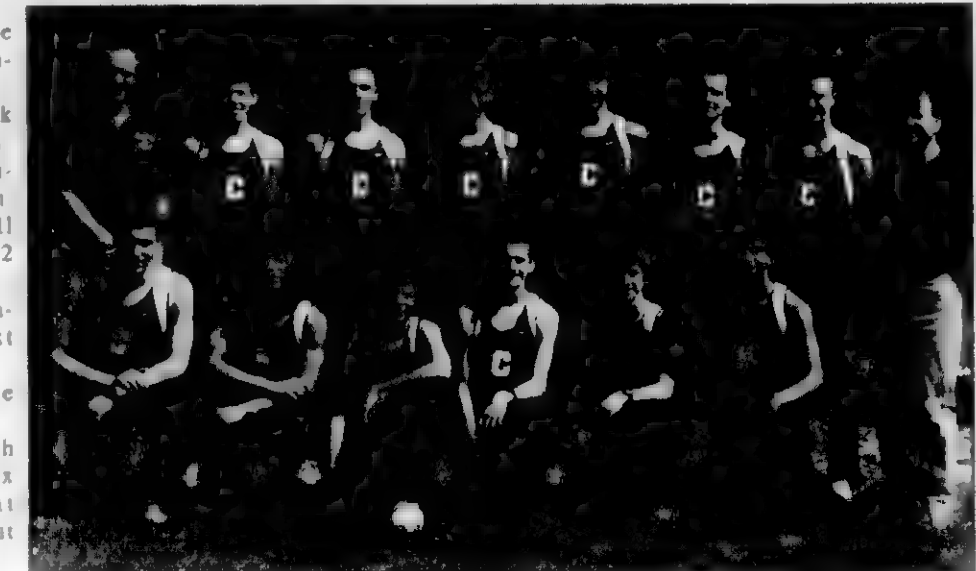
This year they would like to improve upon that finish."

Plude added, "Last week they won the small division at the Duayne Rau Invitational at West Branch. They were third overall when the Division 1 and 2 schools were added in."

The Rayders cross country will have their next meet at home.

This is the only home meet of the year.

This will be the 17th running of the Charlevoix Classic Mud run at 9:30 a.m. on Sept. 12 at Charlevoix High School.



Your 2009 Charlevoix Rayder cross country team



Pictured (above) are Charlevoix Rayder cross country teammates (from left) Ace Edick, Alex Gooch, Andrew Plude, Brian Shutler, Doug Reynolds and Eric Buday.



Pictured (above) are Charlevoix Rayder cross country teammates (from left) Kirk Acharya, Matt Brown, Neil Salisbury, Tyler Whitley, Vinnie VonLaw and Will Jeakle.

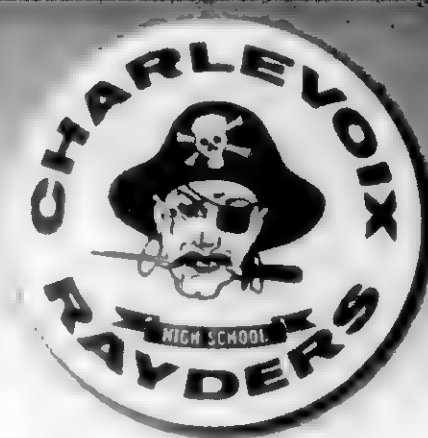
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Fri 09/11/09	● Grayling High School	7:00PM
Fri 09/18/09	● Traverse City St. Francis HS	7:00PM
Fri 09/25/09	● East Jordan High School	7:00PM
Fri 10/02/09	● Boyne City High School	7:00PM
Fri 10/09/09	● Elk Rapids High School	7:00PM
Fri 10/16/09	● Kalkaska High School	7:00PM
Fri 10/23/09	● Harbor Springs High School	7:00PM

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

Co-Head Coach: Doug Weber

Co-Head Coach: Keith Carey

Thu 09/10/09	● Grayling High School	6:00PM
Thu 09/17/09	● Traverse City St. Francis HS	6:00PM
Thu 09/24/09	● East Jordan High School	6:00PM
Thu 10/01/09	● Boyne City High School	6:00PM
Thu 10/08/09	● Elk Rapids High School	6:00PM
Thu 10/15/09	● Kalkaska High School	6:00PM
Thu 10/22/09	● Harbor Springs HS	6:00PM

BOYS VARSITY SOCCER

Coach: Josh Block

Thu 09/10/09	● Boyne City High School	5:00PM
Mon 09/14/09	● Kalkaska High School	5:00PM
Thu 09/17/09	● Harbor Springs HS	5:00PM
Mon 09/21/09	● Grayling High School	5:00PM
Fri 09/25/09	● Traverse City Christian	5:00PM
Mon 09/28/09	● Elk Rapids High School	5:00PM
Thu 10/01/09	● East Jordan High School	5:00PM
Sat 10/03/09	● Suttons Bay High School	11:00AM
Mon 10/05/09	● Boyne City High School	5:00PM
Wed 10/07/09	● Cheboygan Area HS	4:00PM
Thu 10/08/09	● Kalkaska High School	5:00PM
Tue 10/13/09	● Harbor Springs High School	5:00PM
Wed 10/14/09	● Grayling High School	5:00PM
Thu 10/15/09	● Leland High School	5:00PM
Non-Contact	● REGIONALS	TBA
Tue 10/27/09	● REGIONALS	TBA
Wed 11/04/09	● State Finals	TBA
Sat 11/07/09	● State Finals	TBA

GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Coach: Liz Grunch

Thu 09/10/09	● TRI Harbor Springs w/ Kalkaska	5:00PM
Sat 09/12/09	● Petoskey Invitational	9:00AM
Mon 09/14/09	● TRI AT Cheboygan w/Petoskey	5:00PM
Thu 09/17/09	● Boyne City High School	6:00PM
Sat 09/19/09	● Charlevoix Invitational	8:00AM
Tue 09/22/09	● Elk Rapids High School	6:00PM
Thu 09/24/09	● East Jordan High School	6:00PM
Sat 09/26/09	● Ferris State University	TBA
Mon 10/05/09	● AT Grayling w/ TCSF	5:00PM
Thu 10/08/09	● Kalkaska High School	6:00PM
Sat 10/10/09	● Suttons Bay High School	8:30AM
Thu 10/15/09	● Elk Rapids High School	7:30PM
Tue 10/20/09	● East Jordan High School	6:00PM
Sat 10/24/09	● Boyne Invitational	8:30AM
Fri 11/13/09	● REGIONALS	TBA

GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Coach: Andrea Randall

Thu 09/10/09	● TRI Harbor Springs w/ Kalkaska	5:00PM
Sat 09/12/09	● Inland Lakes High School	8:30PM
Thu 09/17/09	● Boyne City High School	6:00PM
Tue 09/22/09	● Elk Rapids High School	6:00PM
Thu 09/24/09	● East Jordan High School	6:00PM
Sat 10/03/09	● St. Ignace High School	9:00AM
Mon 10/05/09	● Traverse City St. Francis HS	5:00PM
Thu 10/08/09	● Kalkaska High School	6:00PM
Thu 10/15/09	● Elk Rapids High School	6:00PM
Sat 10/17/09	● Harbor Springs Invitational	TBA
Tue 10/20/09	● East Jordan High School	6:00PM
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CROSS COUNTRY

Girls Coach: Mary Plude

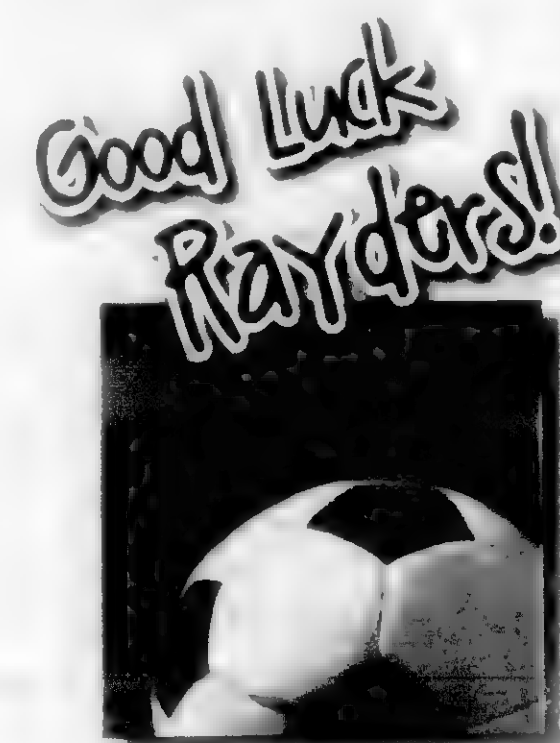
Boys Coach: Ken Plude

Sat 09/12/09	● Charlevoix Classic Mud Run	9:30AM
Sat 09/19/09	● Ellsworth High School	10:30AM
Sat 09/26/09	● Petoskey High School	TBA
Sat 10/03/09	● Carson City-Crystal High	TBA
Sat 10/17/09	● Ogemaw Heights HS	TBA
Sat 10/24/09	● Elk Rapids High School	TBA
Sat 10/31/09	● REGIONALS	TBA
Sat 11/07/09	● State Finals Div. 3 ● MIS	TBA

BOYS TENNIS

Coach: Erik Lundtzen

Tue 08/25/09	● Boyne City High School	4:30PM
Tue 09/01/09	● Elk Rapids High School	4:30PM
Tue 09/08/09	● Harbor Springs HS	4:30PM
Fri 09/11/09	● Leelanau Home School	4:30PM
Tue 09/15/09	● Grayling High School	4:30PM
Fri 09/18/09	● Boyne Invitational	9:00AM
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Thu 09/24/09	● Petoskey High School	4:00PM



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Island Marathon

Nearly 700 visitors and 300 runners descended on Beaver Island for the island's first marathon on Saturday Sept. 5. The event also included a 5K and a half marathon. "We estimate \$250,000 or more in economic benefit to Beaver Island," said Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve West. "Our Island was listing to starboard on Saturday but so far all the post race comments have been positive."

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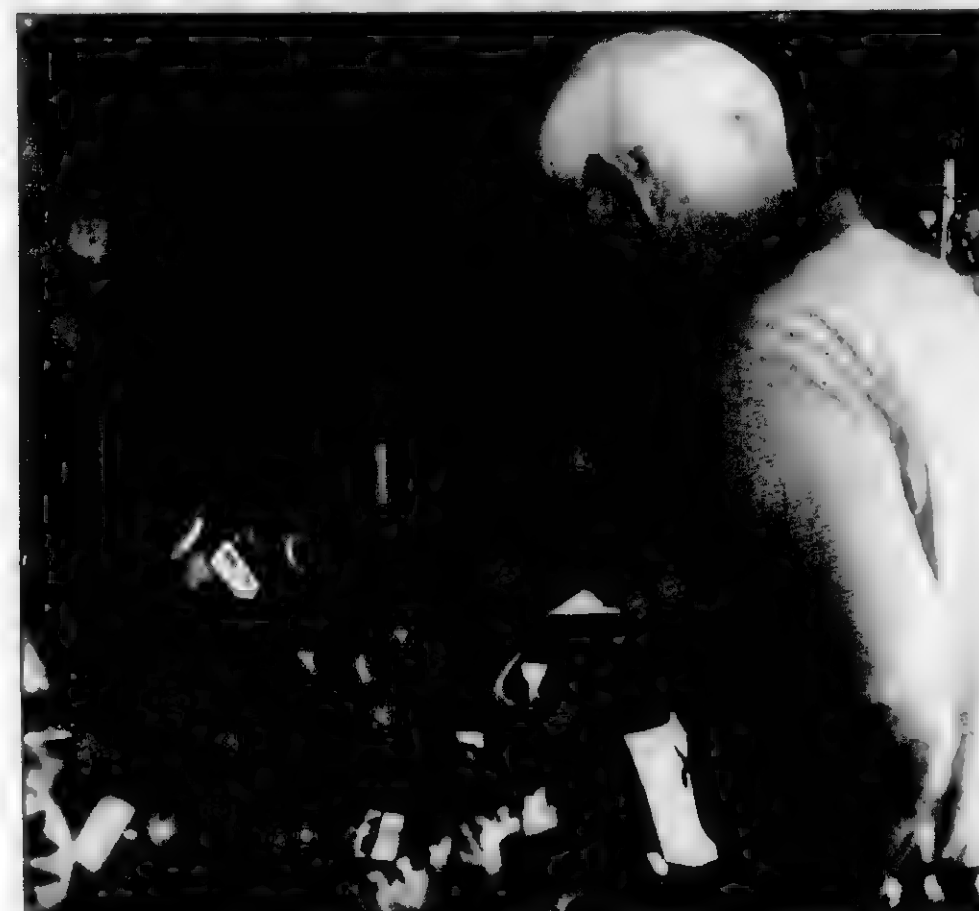
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ROYAL CRAFT SHOW



Jeff Nowicki (right), a salesman for Full Swing Yard Games, demonstrates how to play Full Swing Yard Golf by hitting a larger than average shuttlecock with a golf club. Full Swing was one of dozens of vendors at the Royal Craft Show at Castle Farms last weekend.

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Harold Love (left) of Harbor Springs was fascinated by a selection of crafts at the Pine Needle Baskets table. The booth was one of numerous crafts at the Royal Craft Show on Sept. 5 and 6 at Castle Farms.



Janet Hoffman (left) and her husband George (not pictured) have been making beeswax candles and gathering honey for fairs for nearly six years. The couple have been making candles for 20 years.



Marge Wright of Magnetic Pain Therapy (right) has been making her magnetic bracelets and necklaces for five years. Her booth was one of many at the Royal Craft Show on Saturday and Sunday Sept. 5 and 6.

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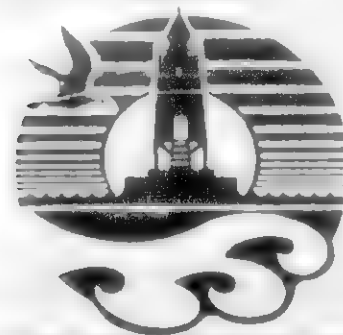


2009 Apple Festival

It is hard to believe that the 31st Annual Apple Festival is quickly approaching! The fun-filled weekend is scheduled for Friday, October 9th through Sunday, October 11th. Show hours on Friday and Saturday are 10am to 6pm and Sunday from 10am to 4pm.

This 3-day event is held annually to honor local orchards and growers who, in the spirit of the season, gather in downtown Charlevoix to bring the fall festival to you. The festival's focal point is the apple, proven to be the most popular fruit in North America. More than 30 types of apples, including the hard to find antique varieties, will be on hand as well as other fall harvest items such as pumpkins, squash, jam, honey, maple syrup, and cider!

Activities include a craft show featuring over 100 craftsmen, face painting, pony & horse rides, a petting zoo, and much more!



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Apple Festival t-shirts are also available! Just delivered this week, sizes range from small to extra-large. You may purchase them at the Chamber office, 109 Mason Street, for only \$20.

So join the festivities and show your support for local orchards, farm markets, and nonprofit organizations while celebrating the season in scenic downtown Charlevoix!



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If you're looking for the freshest produce, flowers, or baked goods around, look no further! The Charlevoix Farmers Market is the place to go! Market hours are every Thursday from 9am to 1pm in downtown East Park through September 24th. In one, convenient downtown location, you can support Charlevoix area farmers and take home healthy, nutritious fruits and vegetables or freshly baked goods. It is where locals and visitors alike can go for the freshest produce, all of which is grown in the Charlevoix area. Be sure to stop by and pick up the fruits of the season!



6pm. Sept. 17, 2009

Check your calendar. Do you have plans? If not, you are missing out! On Thursday, September 17th at 6pm, the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce will

be raffling off the fully loaded 2010 Ford Mustang GT Premium Convertible in Candy Apple Red. The Chamber was able to acquire this traffic-stopping vehicle thanks to Pat McKeown Ford Lincoln Mercury. Tickets are \$100 each or three for \$200.

In addition to the Ford Mustang, three lucky winners will take home cash prizes totaling \$1000. The lucky tickets will be drawn on Thursday, September 17th at the Belvedere Casino Club from 6 to 9pm. Admission is free to ticket holders and, as always, there will be delicious food and excellent entertainment. You need not be present to win.

Proceeds will be used toward the Chamber's capital improvements and operations funds.

Tickets may be purchased by calling the Chamber at 547.2101 or stop by the office at 109 Mason Street.

It's All Business.

Well, it isn't all business! The Chamber invites you to join them at the October First Friday Biz Breakfast and Business After Hours. Both are premier networking opportunities!

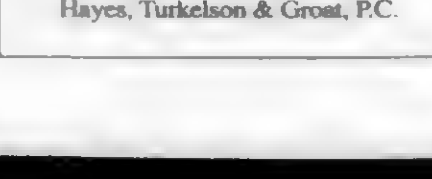
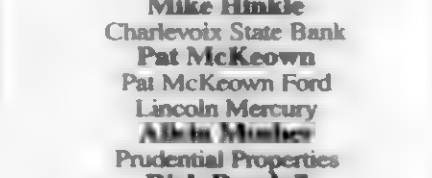
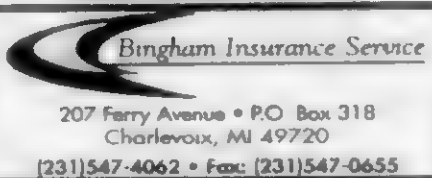
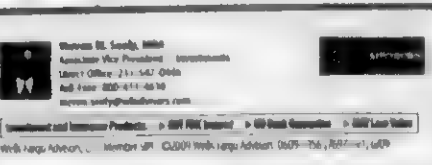
The First Friday Biz Breakfast will be held on Friday, October 2nd at 7:30am at the Grey Gables Restaurant. In light of October being National Physical Therapy Month, Joel Smith of Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center will be educating attendees about who physical therapists are and what they can do for you. Admission is \$7.

On Thursday, October 8th from 5 to 7pm, Charlevoix's very own Bergmann Center located at 6855 Martin Road will be co-sponsoring the October Business After Hours with Giuseppe's Italian Grille. With delicious dishes provided by Giuseppe's, give-aways, and excellent company, it is an event you won't want to miss! To attend it is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission.

Contact the Chamber with any questions at 547.2101. We hope to see you there!

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Sept. 10	Rotary "Porter" Golf Tournament
Sept. 10	Charlevoix Kiwanis 75th Anniversary Celebration
Sept. 17	Chamber Car Raffle
Sept. 17	Char-Em United Way Day of Caring
Sept. 19	Oktoberfest
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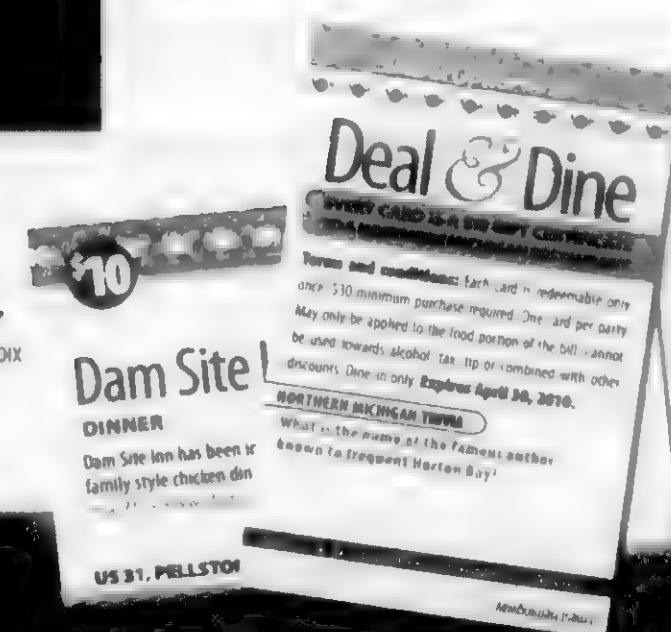
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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:

- Jeep Club
Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbenett@foxmotors.com. There is no cost to join.

- Bridge
Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

- Ladies swim
The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

- Exhibit
Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday through the end of the year. The side office door facing the bank will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Call 547-0373 for information.

- Free lunch
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

- Beach services
Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue Every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

- Charlevoix Skatepark
Open noon to dusk, weekends only beginning Saturday, Sept. 12.

Helmets are required. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

- Scrapbooking
Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public

Library.
- Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

- Four Fires Native Talking Circle meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

- Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

- BNI
The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

- SAA
Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

- Cancer fundraiser
Circle of Strength
In addition to their Wednesday support group, there is now a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., second Tuesdays of each month support at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation Building across the street from the hospital. This support group is open for all patients, family and friends that have been affected by the diagnosis of cancer. Call 547-8950 or 547-8906 or e-mail circlestrength@cah.org for more information.

- Historical society
Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Gostlee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

- Sailing club
A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy

last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

Library events
Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours

are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Sept. 9
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For more information call the Community Reformed Church at 547-9482 or go to www.davertansey.com.

Tai Chi

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m.

Six sessions meet Sept. 9, 16, 23 and Oct. 7, 14 & 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McClorey at 231-582-7689 or e-mail megpots@sbcbglobal.net.

Sept. 9 through Nov. 11 Computer classes

Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet. Computer Basics is a two session class held 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sept. 9 and 11.

Beginner Boot Camp allows new computer users a chance to learn new techniques and ask questions. E-mail Basics, will be held 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 and Internet Basics 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21. Come learn how to use the library's new technology, including a color scanner and a Kindle, at the New Tech Toys class, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 23.

Then in October, Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top or organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23. November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9 will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to

2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St. Register by calling 237-7340.

Go to www.charlevoix-library.org for information about these or other library programs.

Sept. 10

The Rotary Club of Charlevoix will host its annual "Porker" golf tournament, with the shotgun start at 4 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m., is Thursday, Sept. 10 at the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course.

The Rotary outing prides itself as being "The Affordable Golf Tournament," and in recognition of the difficult economic times has kept the entry fee at \$40 per person.

"In addition to a fun round of golf and a great meal, every participant in the tournament goes home with a prize that is donated by our generous local merchants," said tournament director Tim Petrosky.

The event is a four-person scramble.

The entry fee includes golf, a dinner buffet at Giuseppe's, and the traditional tournament trademark: prizes galore.

Prizes will be awarded based on skill, luck, random draw, and to teams that finish first, last and right in the middle.

Registration forms are only available at the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course pro shop.

The event is limited to the first 20 teams that register. An optional skins game and "mulligans" will also be available to teams.

For more information contact Tim Petrosky at 547-0183.

Sept. 11

Patriot's Day ceremony at 9 a.m. on Sept. 11 in Veterans Park. There will be a wreath-laying, rifle company and taps in remembrance of those who died that day in 2001.

Also performing will be singers from Northwoods Baptist School and possibly a short speech.

Sept. 12

Phelps School reunion. Welcome alumni from neighboring country grade schools for a potluck at 1 p.m. on Sept. 12 at the Barnard Grange Hall. Come share memorabilia, photos and stories.

Stream exploration

Explore the world's most remarkable streams, meet new people, and play in the water. The Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council needs you to help monitor our streams.

No training required to participate. However, all are encouraged to attend the Volunteer Stream Monitoring training session that will be held Saturday, Sept. 12 at the Watershed Council's office.

Stream teams will head out into the field to monitor water quality on Saturday, Sept. 19. Call (231) 347-1181 extension 109 or by e-mail kevin@watershedcouncil.org to register or for more information.

Sept. 14

Church Fall Fiesta

Join the women of the community Reformed Church for a "Fall Fiesta of Faith" at 6 p.m. on Sept. 14, at the Community Reformed Church. Enjoy a full potato/salad bar and dessert.

The featured guest speaker will be Becky McDonald from Women at Risk International. Hear how Becky and Women at Risk are working with the women of Nepal by offering them hope through rescue, restoration and empowerment to walk with dignity.

Come early to view and purchase fantastic jewelry from the many villages of Nepal. A nursery will be provided. RSVP to Gay Pung at 547-

4603

Sept. 14, Oct. 13 and 21, and Nov. 9.

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

New members are welcome. Sept. 14, The Shadow of the Wind, by Carlos Ruiz Zafon will be discussed. This coming-of-age tale of a young boy who, through the magic of a single book, finds a purpose

greater than himself and a hero in a man he's never met "spins a web of intrigue so thick that it ensnares the reader from the very first line."

Nov. 9

The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Liars, by Kristina Riggle. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the "Great Michigan Read" community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a community reading program for the entire state,

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featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discussion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

Sept. 18

Senior trip. From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieh@charlevoixcounty.org.

Pewabic Pottery

Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, by Marcy Heller Fisher, is the story of a child discovering the beauty of Pewabic life installations in the metropolitan Detroit area. Fisher will speak from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the Charlevoix Public Library for two very different sessions. Children of all ages will have an opportunity to hear some of the stories from Fired Magic, while creating a Pewabic like tile magnet for their own alongside author Marcy.

Call 237-7350 to reserve a spot.

At 6:30 p.m., Fisher will present another program on contemporary Pewabic.

The Photo Detective, aka

Maureen Taylor, an internationally recognized expert on solving the mysteries of old photographs, will be on hand at the Charlevoix Public Library to help unravel the mysteries behind your old photographs. During "Tales from the Photo Detective," 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, Taylor will examine several photos and show the clues that brought the pictures to life.

She will also share basic steps of her detective work with the audience. The evening will be capped off by the Michigan Room Committee presenting the Margaret Duerr award to John Frey.

The Duerr award is given to an individual who has demonstrated a special interest in the quality of life of northern Michigan.

The following day, Saturday, Sept. 19, Maureen Taylor will present two workshops for those who wish more hands on knowledge. "Identifying and Dating Family Photographs," 10:30 a.m. to noon will teach the attendees ten easy steps for naming those unidentified pictures tucked away in shoe boxes. "Preserving Family Photographs," 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., covers everything a family photographer needs to know about caring for photographs, including printing and sharing digital images and how to safely label grandparent's photos.

Each of these workshops has a \$10 fee. Registration brochures are available at the library or call 237-7340.

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Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

A new saddle will be awarded to the rider raising the most pledges.

Riders must raise a minimum of \$200 in sponsor pledges to qualify.

For more information, go to www.trailingfortrump.org or contact Lisa McFarlan at (231) 582-6165.

A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. "Common Threads," is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer from Sept. 9 through Oct. 31.

Then from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 16, the artists will gather together to discuss their group and answer questions about their process.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Sept. 19

Singles for Christ invites all singles 40 and older for dinner at 6 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 19, at LaSenoria, 1285 US 31 N., Petoskey. R.S.V.P. is required, so please call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

Sept. 20

Eco challenge. On Sunday, September 20, 15 teams of six individuals will compete in the first Eco Challenge Event at the Camp

Daggett Adventure Center. This lighthearted competition, a fundraiser for the Adventure Center, will consist of teams working together to complete an Eco Challenge course including a canoeing obstacle course, adventure ropes course challenges, and more.

Teams can be a mix of six men and women age 18 and older.

The cost to participate is a minimum of \$50 per person, or \$300 per team.

The team that raises the most money will receive an award along with many other awards of recognition during the closing ceremony. To date, there are still openings for five teams.

Teams can pre-register for the Eco Challenge by calling Karen Marietti at (231) 347-9742 extension 117 for a registration form.

The event begins at 1 p.m. with team registration, with the competition beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The event will come to a close with a barbecue dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by the closing ceremonies and awards presentations.

Sept. 21

Author visit. From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday Sept. 21 meet Mardi Link, author of When Evil Came to Good Hart and see his new book Isadore's Secret at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Suite 102. Call 547-2699 for more information.

Sept. 24

American Red Cross blood drives. • Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 24 - Charlevoix at Community

Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

Sept. 26

Leukemia Walk. Registration for the Children's Leukemia Foundation is holding "The Walk" is at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26, in the Historic Bayview Resort Community, Petoskey.

The Walk is at 10 a.m. and registration fee is \$20.

The Walk 2009 is right around the corner. Recruit a team, create a name and register. You can even set up a personalized fundraising page where friends and family members can support you and The Walk by making credit card pledges.

Each registered participant who raises \$100 or more will

be eligible for an official 2009 The Walk T-shirt and prizes. Your \$20 registration fee will go toward the \$100.

Register online at www.leukemiamichigan.org or call (800) 825-2536. On-site registration will also be available. Lunch will be available to all participants immediately following the walk.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.



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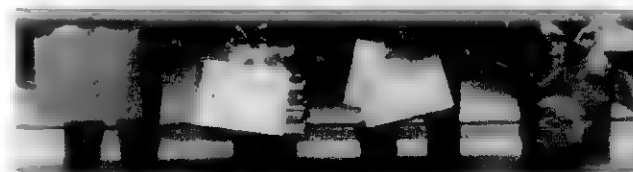
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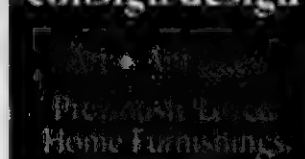
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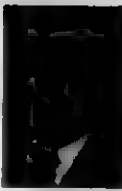
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Norwood ZA charged

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Will Janet Sue Person remain as Norwood Township's zoning administrator in the wake of her guilty pleading on Thursday, Aug. 27, in Antrim County's 86th District Court?

Person, placed on leave from her position as Bellaire Village Council Executive in late August, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor after the 52-year-old used more than \$5,000, some of which she paid back before the investigation began, from the Antrim Conservation District where she served as executive director for nearly 10 years.

"I think by her actions this shows an erosion of the public trust," said Norwood Township trustee David Leusink. "Even though it is a misdemeanor, our trustees need to look at it. She is our employee and works for the public and we need to at least take a look at what's

best for the township. Person was accused of using a conservation district charge card to buy auto repairs and airline tickets in addition to other misuses of funds.

"We are requesting a resignation," said Bellaire Village President Butch Dewey. "And, we are negotiating a severance package."

Dewey said audits show no financial discrepancies relating to Person, or otherwise, in Bellaire's books.

"We just felt there is an erosion of public trust in her position," he said.

Person, who is expected to be sentenced on Sept. 24 on charges of neglect of duty, could face as much as \$12,000 in fines and court costs — nearly \$8,000 of that is to pay for the forensic audit according to Dewey.

"The board hasn't met on it yet," said Norwood

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Song of remembrance

Members of the Green family, mother Terri (far right) and daughters Bethany (center) and Esther sing a spiritual song during the Sept. 11 remembrance ceremony in Charlevoix's Veterans Park last Friday. Terri said she was very honored when she was asked to sing at the event.

Kilwin's Confections launches peanut recall

BY RYAN BENTLEY
NEWS-REVIEW

Noting the potential for salmonella contamination, Petoskey-based candy manufacturer Kilwin's Quality Confections recently launched a recall for chocolate-covered peanuts that were sold in its retail stores prior to April 1.

The chocolate-covered peanuts affected by the re-

call were sold in 7-ounce, gold-foiled plastic packages with a clear center section at Kilwin's stores in Michigan, Florida, Illinois, Wisconsin, Colorado, Rhode Island, Georgia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina.

The packages are labeled "Milk Chocolate Peanuts" and "Fresh dry roasted pea-

nuts covered in creamy milk chocolate." The package's barcode number is 001615.

The recalled product also was sold in bulk, by weight, at the company's stores.

In a press release, Kilwin's indicated that no illnesses had been reported to the company in connection with the issue. The potential for contamination was noted after Kilwin's

peanut supplier voluntarily recalled its product.

Those peanuts were subject to a recall because of ties to a Peanut Corporation of America plant in Texas where salmonella was discovered earlier this year. After the discovery of unsanitary conditions at that factory, Texas officials ordered the recall of all products shipped from the

site since its 2005 opening.

Consumers who have purchased the Kilwin's products covered by the recall can return them to the place of purchase for a full refund.

Chocolate-covered peanuts purchased at Kilwin's on or after April 1 are not subject to the recall.

Joe Audia, general manager at Kilwin's candy plant in

Petoskey, said the company had pulled the targeted chocolate-covered peanuts from its stores last March after receiving word from its peanut vendor of the possibility for contamination.

"We just neglected to put the press release out at that time," he said.

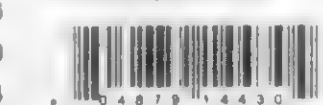
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District Court
The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Ivan Wayne Wasageshik, 46, Charlevoix. Disorderly person/obscene conduct. Pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Mark Larry Crain, 32, Boyne City. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allowed. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 18 days in jail; \$500 in fines and costs.

Daniel Ryan Murphy, 18, Cadillac. Malicious destruction of property of more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 20 days in jail; 329 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,150 in fines and costs.

Jason Allen Gien, 28, Boyne Falls. Operating while intoxicated. Credit for three days in jail; 75 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance

abuse classes; \$1,180 in fines and costs.

Scott Kevin McFalls, 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol, third or subsequent offense. Serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Dominique Michael Halpin, 19, Beaver Island. No operator license on person; operating minor with any blood alcohol content. Serve 10 days of community service work; 80 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$755 in fines and costs.

Reanna Marie Horne, 19, Charlevoix. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$980 in fines and costs.

Jeremy Michael Sowa, 25, Petoskey. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Kenneth Brian Looze, 20, Boyne City. Contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Credit for one day in jail; 74 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$755 in fines and costs.

Kimberly Dawn Maurer, 31, Charlevoix. Retail fraud, third degree. Credit for four days in jail; to serve 89 days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

BIRTHS
Aiden James Larsen weighing 7 pounds 3 ounces was born Sept. 3, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to James and Haley Larsen of Boyne City. His grandparents are Marcy and Gary Cole and Jim and Mary Jean Larsen all from Boyne City. His great-grand-

parent is Marie Eaton also from Boyne City.

John Anthony Knowles III weighing 6 pounds 9 ounces was born Sept. 3, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to John Anthony Knowles II and Alissa Marie Lynn Baker of Mancelona. His sibling is Celeste Storm Green. His grand parents are John A. Knowles and Robin M. Knowles both from Mancelona and Debi Reynolds of Ellsworth and Jeff Baker of Evart.

Steven Mason Henderson weighing 8 pounds 5 ounces was born Sept. 2, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Steven and Mary Henderson of Central Lake. His grandparents are the late Steve Henderson, Janice Harcrow and Roger Harcrow all of Ransville, Ala., and Gen Potter and Nick Potter both from Central Lake.

Emery Dallas Brewer weighing 6 pounds 14 ounces was born Sept. 1, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Krysh Sasser and Nathaniel Brewer of Ft. Myers, Fla. and Pontiac respectively. His grandparents are Roger E. Brewer and Stephanie A. Moore both from Michigan and Dallas C. Sasser, Jr. of Washington and Deborah L. Sasser of Florida.

some homeowners in an uproar.
So, the city worked with the homeowners in question to devise a plan which would relocate the secondary, or lower voltage electrical wires, underground, thereby saving more of the trees.
There are 24 houses on the north side of Dixon Avenue and 22 on the south side, according to city records.

What began with a man and his maples and a call for responsible tree trimming has turned into action.
Bill Dreyer had no idea when he complained of the haphazard trimming of his 100-year-old trees off Nettleton Street that he would be starting a trend, but the City of Charlevoix is now responding to demands by Dixon Avenue residents to save their trees.

"Council is not willing to pay for it out of the coffers, especially with the way the economy is," said Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. of the \$622,426 project. "But, if it is that important to them that they want to pay for it, then it doesn't matter if it's on Dixon or Eaton or Hurlbut or State Street(s) — we'd do the same thing."

The original plan to trim and remove dozens of trees along Dixon Avenue had

If the cost is to be divided equally among homeowners, then the 24 would each be responsible for paying \$25,900.
If the cost were spread over all 46 homeowners, then the cost would be near \$13,500.
A questionnaire to determine interest of the Dixon Avenue homeowners is now being circulated.



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Fire at Pine Place

At 3:47 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 10, the Charlevoix Fire Department was dispatched to a fire at the Pine River Place apartments 210 West Garfield St. Firefighters arrived to find heavy black smoke coming from a mechanical room vent. Firefighters discovered the cause of the smoke in the elevator's mechanical system. The fire was quickly extinguished. All three floors of the building needed to be ventilated due to smoke. No one was hurt and property damage was limited to the elevator mechanical system.

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BY CHRISTINE GWIOT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Charlevoix Area Hospital turns 90 this year. Although it has provided nearly a century of care to area residents, the hospital shows no signs of slowing down. A lot is happening there this fall.

Charlevoix Area Hospital's Circle of Strength breast cancer support group is sponsoring a "Tickled Pink Event" from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 22, in the solarium overlooking Lake Michigan. Attendees will be treated to wine, cheese and chocolate, free table massages and pedicures and a 30-percent discount in the gift shop, if they wear pink.

Tours of the newly updated dressing rooms and the digital mammography exam suite will be offered. In part, the event is a way of thanking donors and is open to the public.

Vouchers will be available at the "Tickled Pink Event" for free mammograms, but Kathy Jacobsen, RN, MPA wants the women to know that free mammograms are

always available to those who may not be able to afford them.

"It's on their determination," Jacobsen said, explaining that there is no financial disclosure required to qualify for the free mammogram. "We want people to come in."

Jacobsen encourages anyone who may be struggling emotionally or financially with cancer to call her at 231-547-8906 to discuss available options.

The Cardiac Rehab Department completed "Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan" in late August. The 12-week project encouraged patients to include more fruit, vegetables and fiber in their diet and primarily to ramp up physical exercise in their daily routine. The 17 patients who participated in the program documented their diet and activity and found that they made healthier choices.

George Miller, an 85-year-old cardiac patient, completed more than 360 wellness miles during the course of the program. Besides walking or jogging,

wellness miles are tallied by assigning a comparable value to other cardio activities.

"It's been quite an experience," Miller said. "One thing is, you've got to be consistent. The more you do the better you are." Miller gives high marks to the cardiac rehab team, adding, "They're a real nice bunch of people there. Very encouraging. I can't say enough about them."

"He takes his exercise seriously," said Tina Foltz, RN. "George is a winner every day in our eyes. The cardiac team is proud of him."

"Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan" also focuses on employee health with twice-weekly yoga and strength training classes. 181 CAH employees participated this summer and logged a combined total of 59,445 wellness miles.

Beginning Sept. 17, Weight Watchers classes will be held at the hospital and open to the public. Weight-in starts at 11:30 a.m. and the half-hour meeting begins at noon. The cost

is \$138 for regular members and \$124 for seniors, students, lifetime members and those with Blue Cross or Priority Health insurance.

Employees are encouraged to attend and Wellness Committee organizers have initiated a "Biggest Loser" competition for employees. "It makes you feel like your place of employment cares about you," Jacobsen said, "and that's a good feeling."

The first Wednesday of every month is Wellness Wednesday in the solarium at CAH. For \$12, area residents receive a health screening with information about their blood pressure levels, body fat percentage and body mass index, cholesterol, and blood glucose. Screenings are held on a walk-in basis from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Appointments may be made in advance by calling 231-547-8906.

Jacobsen, who is also Community Health Education Coordinator for the hospital, stated in the 2009 CAH community report that she wants people to have

a good experience in the hospital, adding, "Being healthy is not impossible. It's not about reaction, but prevention. I want to make health care accessible."

Jacobsen wrote and received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Center for Rural Health, designed to enhance efforts to improve and maintain community health. Along with CAH dietitian, Amanda Evans, Jacobsen is planning an upcoming program for area schoolchildren and their families about healthy, yet inexpensive, food choices. An evening event will feature Evans' demonstration in preparing a healthy meal and each family will be given the ingredients to duplicate the meal at home.

New Parent Expo is scheduled Oct. 29 from 5-7 p.m. Providing health and safety tips, child development information and more, the event is designed for parents-to-be, new parents, infants and pre-school children.

For more information, call Pam Oshaben at 547-

8575.

Charlevoix Area Hospital is also proud to acknowledge that Dr. Mitchell Carey was recently named the 2009 Michigan Family Physician of the Year. Carey received the award in June in recognition of his exemplary service and commitment to his patients and the community.

Joining the practice of Drs. Wendt and Lame in July, Dr. Brian Dishinger is a general surgeon who is the newest member of the surgical staff at CAH. Dishinger moved to northern Michigan this summer with his wife, Katie, and their four daughters.

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Gennett gives tips for going back to school



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gabe Gennett

Parents and students alike are gearing up for a new school year.

Maybe you've thought about taking a few classes yourself for enrichment or maybe you want to kick start a new career.

Whatever the case may be, something that cannot be put on the side burner is homework.

No matter what grade level you finished in high school, technical school, or

college it's important to be a role model for your child and find time in your family schedule to sit down and get to work reviewing your child's class assignments.

The value of homework continues throughout your child's lifetime.

Okay, it sounds unreasonable at times to request more time on an already busy schedule, but let's review homework's importance.

Homework encourages your child and you to establish a routine of starting and completing something.

It helps to have a regularly scheduled time to slide into. This is particularly helpful if your child lacks focus and has a short attention span.

Homework develops a good work ethic.

Getting the job done is what a future employer is looking for and it encourages

self discipline and time management.

Some parents complain as to why it is given in the first place.

It can create a problem at home because the child complains. Remind yourself who's in charge here.

Some schools have added time in the school day for homework completion.

This is an added benefit because a teacher is nearby to help and resources such as the media center and computers are accessible.

When a child is over scheduled with activities and doesn't have time for their school work, it's time to re-visit their activities.

Your child may have too many extra curricular activities and you may need to limit them.

This is an okay thing to do. We as parents are not here to brag about all the things kids are involved

in. We cannot live vicariously through them. Our job is to guide them and facilitate what activities will meet their needs.

Putting a schedule on the refrigerator, listing times for school, activities, and homework each day is helpful.

Your child can also have a calendar in their bedroom listing the same. This also works very well if your child shares time in a two family situation-time at mom's house and time at dad's house.

If you've gone back to school, why not work together at the same table.

It's a great little bonding experience and encourages them to complete their assignments.

Another important part of getting back to the school routine is to visit the school and meet your child's teachers, the principal, and the school counselor.

Children, like adults get over scheduled and need time to play and visit friends just like parents do.

"All work and no play" was a good slogan in the

60's and works still today.

Some children actually do better working on assignments while wearing a headset and listening to classical music.

If they don't have a bedroom to work in because there isn't a desk and they share it with many siblings, the dining room or kitchen table will do.

It's out in the open and gives you the flexibility to stop what you are doing and check if they have any questions.

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Many of you have already attended open houses but if you haven't, there is always an opportunity to visit and check things out.

Your child will see that you are taking an interest in them and their school day.

It's also helpful to meet the kids your child hangs with and to know and meet the parents of their friends as well.

You'll have a better understanding when they bring something up that may be occurring at school, plus you'll know who to contact if you have any questions.

I hope that you take away a few of these suggestions to ease your transition back into the new school year.

They are tired, true, and tested from their thirty years working in the school setting.

Good luck and have a good school year.

Columnist is reporting in on cracking up



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwilt

It was a dream to land this job. The economy is being what it is, and considering my dearth of practical experience, it was actually a sort of miracle.

And I love it. I love my boss, who is droll and in-scrutable. And my other boss, whom I suspect took the gig to mask her true

identity as Supergirl. And their boss, who is silent and invisible. There are probably a few more in there too, but I'm so far down the food chain that they only register as shadows with the power to block out the sun.

There is just so much of it to love.

I work for a newspaper and the news doesn't stop happening. Ever. It rolls in and accumulates in a big screaming pile that must be pitch-forked onto a long bed semi and then disassembled with tweezers.

I tremble to stand in the reflected light of the Fourth Estate's fortitude and talent.

No, really, I tremble. The muscles in my legs have atrophied from supporting nothing more than my lap top 12 to 14 hours a day. I

have a third-degree burn on my cheek from the heat of my cell phone.

The fingernails on my right hand have been a half-inch longer than my left for two weeks. I don't have time to clip, let alone file them. Grooming is only a memory of the luxury of leisure. I can spare a few fleeting seconds to brush my teeth, but only two at a time. The full set is in rotation.

I am on the C-Diet: coffee, cigarettes, cottage cheese, cookies and crackers. The microwave takes too long. My dogs are beginning to stray closer to the neighbor's yard, where happy people occasionally frolic with their pets.

Raccoons waddle in close proximity to my motionless body as I robotically type

into the wee hours on my porch. They are as unperturbed by my otherness as they would be by a log or a rock.

I awoken in the middle of the night, sodden and paralyzed with the fear that I will have to come up with another synonym for "event."

There is a ~~WIPPAH~~ electronic device downstairs that I recall used to deliver news and entertainment into my home in the days before total silence became mandatory to my relentlessly enforced concentration.

"No, I can't," I tell the few friends I have left with the temerity to call me with an invitation. "Don't even ask me and don't call back. I only answered the phone because I thought you were

the guy who's supposed to get back to me with a quote about the Wiener races."

Clumps of hair remain on my pillow in protest, as the rest of me pops from my bed like a premature slice of bread from the toaster, tepid and pale from my aborted incubation.

"What am I doing?" is my new mantra.

I used to love vampire movies - The creepy curiosity of the victims as they examined the pronged bite marks on their neck. And the delicious denial of their peccadillo just before inevitable decline unravels their cute little life and their heretofore-assumed humanity dissolves in the brilliance of the day. Now, the scenario is too familiar. It could be a page from my diary.

It may be just a matter of time before the delicate thread that tethers me to the world of happy, smiling people snaps. What is love? Why are there grocery stores? Once I start asking myself these questions there's little doubt that the road back will be anything but a long row to hoe.

I can't go on like this. I will wither and fade and the most it will get me is a few column inches in the obits, more than likely with my anomalous surname misspelled, or at best mispronounced, by the dozen or so people that will bother to read it.

Note: The author is now resting comfortably and those who rely on her income predict a full recovery.

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OPINIONS yours & ours

LETTERS to the editor

YOU CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS

Editor:

Congressman Stupak has been getting a lot of national media coverage lately: first for promoting the terrorists, that no country wants, move from GITMO to Michigan prisons. It looks like he might succeed, all in the name of jobs.

Perhaps he should be promoting something more constructive such as a new nuclear plant in the area.

This would bring higher paying jobs for a much longer time period as far less risk to the neighbors of the facility.

Then he was busy signing a information request along with the arch liberal Congressman Waxman, the same one who pushed through the cap and trade bill in the house which will increase electric bills much higher according to president Obama.

The letter requires the large insurance companies to file reports on their spending and pay and benefits for most management over several years time which is only designed to intimidate the insurance companies to stop their efforts to block the health care bill, which is illegal since there is no charge of wrongdoing.

Congressman Stupak claims he cannot vote for the bill because it will require government payments for abortions.

Then why is he signing a letter to intimidate which is intended to get the Healthcare bill passed? He cannot have it both ways arguing against the bill while working to block efforts against the bill.

John J. Cninnion
Harbor Springs

THANKS, FROM THE PANTRY

Editor:

The Charlevoix Community Food Pantry would like to thank Patty Sitzema, the Townhouse Bar and all of those who participated in the Charlevoix Bridge Walk on Labor Day.

It was a huge success and the food pantry realized enough money to buy several weeks worth of groceries for those in need.

Thank-you, everyone, for your support and generosity. Sue Dixon, President Charlevoix Community Food Pantry

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Editor:

There is no doubt that kids get in trouble at the library. Why not build a place for kids to go after school?

Kids get in trouble at the library. When kids go to the library they get carried away and start to be loud and wrestle. Kids need to get their energy out after school and they try to let it out at the library. Kids get so bored after school that when they get in trouble at the library, they go there anyway.

Kids have nothing to do after school. As you can see during the winter there's nothing to do except ski/snowboard. Kids walk downtown and end up in trouble with Ripstiks or stealing.

If we had more restaurants it would bring more people to town. People would come to our town because of more variety of foods we would have. People would drive more often so they would have to buy

more gas when they come to eat here. Other people from other states on their summer break they would stay in hotels. They also eat out a lot but they wouldn't want to have the same food every night.

Stuff would go up in market. People would stay the night in hotels. They would visit other stores like the downtown stores. Also in my opinion people spend their money in our town. That is why we should have more restaurants in Charlevoix.

Adam Michael
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Editor:

I feel compelled to personally clarify the recent news regarding the Lutheran Church, and to be more specific, the largest Lutheran denomination in America, the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America).

The recent decision of their church body in convention was to allow homosexual pastors within their church to have same sex partners.

This is not the position of the other Lutheran bodies in America. I serve as the Pastor of Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church of East Jordan.

I also serve Trinity Ev. Lutheran of Rogers City. My congregation belongs to the Evangelical Lutheran

synod (ELS) which has its headquarters in Mankato, Minnesota.

The ELS is in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) which is the third largest Lutheran denomination in America.

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COMMUNITY Charlevoix people

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ENGAGEMENT announcement



BECK, DHASELEER

On Oct. 3, 2009, Abraham Dhaseleer will marry his best friend Erin Beck.

The small ceremony will take place at Castle Farms followed by a reception with family and friends at the Emmet County Fair Grounds.

Abraham is a graduate of Lansing Community College with an Associates Degree in Criminal Justice.

Erinn graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science from Michigan State University and a Juris Doctor from Cooley Law School.

The happy couple plan to make Charlevoix, Michigan, their home.



PHOTO BY KIM TAYLOR

Happy 75, Kiwanis

Approximately 100 people attended the Charlevoix Kiwanis Club's 75th Anniversary. The speakers were District Governor Denny Kiroff, Governor Designate Joan Van Arsdalen and former First Lady Fran Pietz. The lucky winners of the drawings each won valuable prizes. Pictured are Bob Rajewski (left) Sheriff Don Schneider (middle) and Roger Postmus.

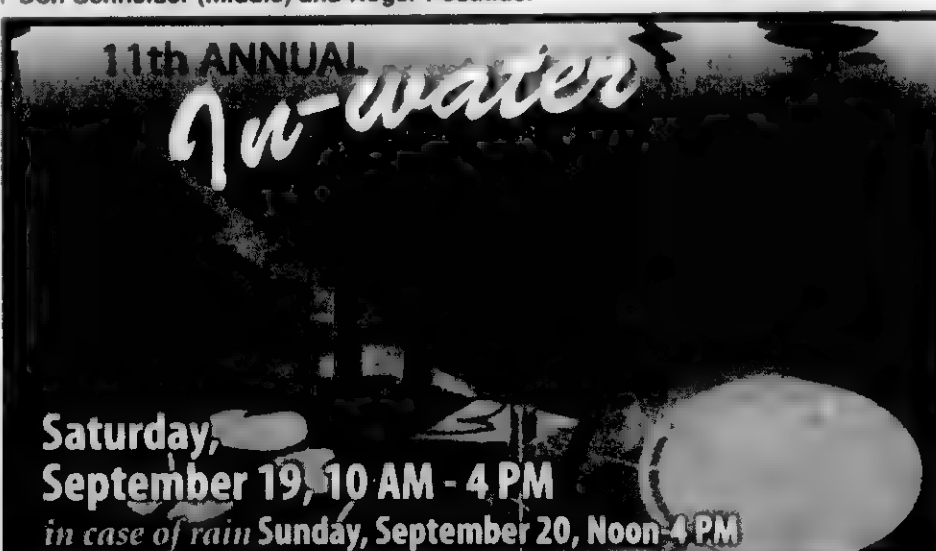


PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Take a guess

Charlevoix resident Tom Foley said he plans to slice this monstrosity and fry it in butter. That's right, the 15-pound white orb is none other than the giant puffball, a white mushroom which grows in the forests of Michigan and can reach sizes from a softball to a beach ball.



Picnics and parachutes

The Bernard Grange hosted a picnic for the Bergmann Center on Aug. 7. Here participants play a game of parachute after lunch.

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Hair hero

Courtney Streeter donated nearly 12 inches of hair to Locks of Love recently.



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Loving locks

Taylor Petroskey, 5 years old, donated 10 inches of hair to Locks of Love in memory of her friend Kate Hrischuk who died of cancer in 2007.

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Writers Group
Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

Northern MI Textile Artists Group
Wednesdays, September 16, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs will lead this group into the world of fiber surface design.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura
Thursdays @ 10:30
Ms. Laura will read stories and make and learn finger plays with friends and family.

Quilters' Group
Thursdays, September 17, 10:00 - 1:00 pm
Join quilters and other fiber enthusiasts for a monthly workshop. Bring along your current project and all the equipment you need (yes, even your sewing machine!) and enjoy the company of friends.

Tales from the Photo Detective
Fridays, September 18, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Maureen Taylor aka "The Photo Detective" will show examples of several photos she has worked on through the years and the clues that brought the pictures to life. Ms. Taylor will also share basic steps of her detective work and the Friends of the Library for a reception after the presentation in honor of John Frey, winner of this year's Duane Award.

Identifying and Dating Family Photographs
Saturdays, September 19, 10:30 - noon
Discover who who in your family pictures. Learn the 10 easy steps for naming those underexposed pictures tucked away in shoe boxes. \$10 registration fee, please pre-register. 237-7340

Preserving Family Photographs, 1839-present
Saturdays, September 19, 1:00 - 2:30 pm
From daguerotypes to digital imaging, discover how to preserve your family's most precious photographs. \$10 registration fee, please pre-register. 237-7340

Spanish Conversation Group
Mondays @ 6:00 pm through October 26
Join this group of Spanish speaking persons for a weekly conversation group. (Like the opportunity to practice and renew your conversational skills. Come whether or when you are able.)

Basics of eBay Selling
Tuesdays, September 22, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Kathy Acherman, certified eBay Educational Specialist, will teach the basics of selling, how to understand terms and fees, and the steps participants need to take to start selling.

New Tech Toys @ Your Library
Wednesdays, September 23, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Learn how to use the new color scanner to scan photos, slides and film and use a drive of the library's new Kindle e-readers, pre-register at 237-7340

eBay Advanced Techniques
Thursdays, September 24, 6:30 pm
Learn how to improve your listing by writing better descriptions and taking better photos. Kathy Acherman, certified eBay Educational Specialist, will discuss setting prices, deciding if you should have a more and finding merchandise to sell.

Park & Read
through September 25
Visit your local library to borrow a book and a one-day vehicle permit good in any Michigan State Park and Recreation Area! So grab a book, pack a park and enjoy a relaxing, free day of reading in Michigan's great outdoors. Plus, many parks will have a luncheon available for you to borrow for the day.

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OBITUARIES

Joseph Kehrer: April 23, 1924-- Sept. 6, 2009

A memorial service will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Petoskey at 11 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 21, 2009 for Charles Joseph Kehrer. Chuck died on Sept. 6 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital of heart-related conditions.

Chuck was born April 23, 1924 and is survived by his

wife of 45 years, Neva Rose. He leaves children Steve and Meda Kehrer, Karan Green, Parker and Alice Irey, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Also grieving are siblings Fred, Ed, Dick, Bernadette Vaughn, and Beverly Lancaster.

Charles was a World War II veteran in the US Navy. Chuck had many ties to the community with a residence in Charlevoix for more than 25 years. He regularly attended Zion Lutheran Church in Petoskey.

Chuck enjoyed the area fishing, and will be missed

by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Zion Lutheran Church, 500 Mitchell, Petoskey, Michigan, 49770 or The Robin Sue Irey Scholarship Trust Fund at Concordia College, 4090 Geddes Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105.

Economic effects on mental health services

BY NOAH FOWLE
NEWS-REVIEW

As legislators head back to Lansing this month to balance next year's budget by Oct. 1, local community mental health officials are anxiously waiting to see how they will be affected.

"I'm worried about the budget. I eat, sleep and breathe it," said Alexis Kaczynski, director of North Country Community Mental Health.

Earlier this year a version of the House community health budget instituted a 2 percent increase. However, since reports on Michigan's revenue stream continue to dwindle cuts are becoming more and more likely. In Governor Jennifer Granholm's executive order, \$12 million was cut. Prior to

the recess, House Republicans proposed cutting more than \$150 million and the Senate passed their version which cut \$62 million.

"I don't like to admit it because it's like giving the legislature the right to make cuts, but I think it's inevitable," Kaczynski said. "When we look at the executive order, we have to wonder if the governor has the will to make a \$40 million cut."

North Country Community Mental Health is dedicated to serving those with severe mental illness, and while a three-quarters of its budget comes from Medicaid, Kaczynski said there are many people who do not fall within the traditional Medicaid guidelines who benefit from local services.

Grants to fund respite care programs for families caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's disease and children with mental illness will likely fall by the way side next year.

"It depends on how deep the cuts are, but our priority remains for the most in need," she said. "But cuts to our general fund will affect people getting in the door. We'll likely have to narrow that gate."

Jama Moffett, director of the Petoskey Club, said in light of all this tough news, she is determined to remain upbeat and hopes focusing on the success of local programs can demonstrate the importance to law makers. She said programs focused on getting people to become self sufficient are worth

their expense.

"People forget what it was like before de-institutionalization. There are tremendous cost savings to the tax payer for our services because we reduce recidivism and keep people out of emergency rooms," she said. "I see miracles, people who came in and were catatonic and now they're out working jobs. We turn people into voters and tax payers."

Moffett said the situation is tenuous and while she knows there has been great outcomes for many local clients, she fears what may or may not come next.

"We'll always do our best to protect people," she said. "But it's disheartening we will have to end some services."

Fall activities abound at Camp Daggett

Though summer is passing quickly, there are abundant activities and events at Camp Daggett this fall. Open year-round for organizations, groups, families, businesses and churches, Camp Daggett has the facilities and the activities sure to please.

Kicking off the fall event schedule is the first annual Eco Challenge fundraising event on Sunday Sept. 20 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. This lighthearted competition, a fundraiser for the Adventure Center, will consist of teams working together to complete an Eco Challenge course including a canoeing obstacle course, adventure ropes course challenges, and more. Teams can be a mix of six men and women age 18 and

over. The cost to participate is a minimum of \$50 per person, or \$300 per team. There are still 3 spaces available. Teams can pre-register for the Eco Challenge by calling Karen Marrett at (231) 347-9742 extension 117 for a registration form.

On Sunday Oct. 11 from noon to 5 p.m., Camp Daggett is hosting its Fall Festival. This free event is a thank you to Camp Daggett's family of campers, donors, volunteers, parents, service clubs, schools and more for their tremendous support. People of all ages will enjoy hay rides, history tours, color tours on beautiful Walloon Lake, pumpkin and pet rock painting, kids' crafts, live entertainment and more. The

Adventure Center will also have tours and team building games.

Women are invited to take time to relax, reflect and rejuvenate at the Camp Daggett Women's Weekend Retreat, Friday October 16 through Sunday October 18. Sit with your favorite book by a cozy fire with a cup of coffee or tea in hand, experience the magnificent fall colors reflecting on Walloon Lake, enjoy a soothing massage or listen to book reviews hosted by McLean & Faxon bookstore. Also available will be kayaking, introduction to water color, a discussion on nutrition and women's health and more...plus lodging and delicious catered meals - all included in your registration fee of \$250. Enrollment is limited to 20 women so reserve your weekend getaway today! Please call 231-347-9742 to register. A complete event itinerary will be posted on our Web site in the upcoming weeks.

Finally the Camp Daggett Adventure Center is offering an Adventure Education/Challenge Course Training Workshop on Nov. 11 through 13. Cost is \$160 and includes lunch, instruction, safety/instructor manual and use of equipment. Training is 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. The workshop is limited to 15 participants, age 21 and up. Call 347-9742 extension 117 for details.

For more information, call 347-9742 or visit www.campdaggett.com

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Perpetuate petunias with bids for blooms

BY CAROL SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Another summer is nearly over, the nearly 30,000 petunias that line the streets of Charlevoix are still blooming thanks to the teamwork of an army of volunteers, countless donations and the forethought and hard work of the Keep Charlevoix Beautiful members and board.

In a continued effort to "keep Charlevoix beautiful," Keep Charlevoix Beautiful will host the fourth annual Bids for Blooms fundraiser at Belvedere Casino on Sept. 26 from 6 p.m. to midnight.

All proceeds will benefit Operation Petunia.

Affectionately known as the "Petunia Ball," the evening will include food from local restaurants, a silent auction and live entertainment.

Local band, Yankee Station will play seasoned favorites from classic oldies to modern rock and complimentary hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served with a cash bar also available.

Tickets are \$30 per person and available at the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce, Picture This and from Keep Charlevoix Beautiful

board members.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information visit www.keepcharlevoixbeautiful.org

The petunia project began in 1982 with a "wild idea" from Charlevoix resident and Keep Charlevoix Beautiful board member, Dale Boss as he shared his vision of petunias lining the roadway from city limit to city limit.

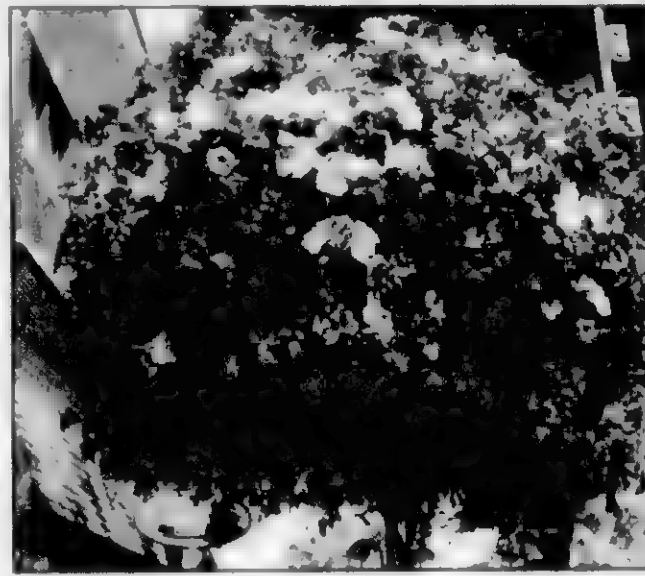
The idea took hold and financing for the original project quickly fell into place. Dale's wife, Marilyn custom designed a license plate which read, "We love Charlevoix the Beautiful."

Michigan's resort city on three lakes - come enjoy it with us." High school students sold the plates door to door, raising over \$3,500 in under three hours.

Six hundred flats of petunias were ordered and Dale Boss's dream came to fruition.

Now, over thirty years and thousands of dollars later, Operation Petunia exists as we know it today.

Each May, over 1,000 volunteers line the streets of Charlevoix to plant over 1,200 flats of petunias before



descending upon East Park for a picnic in celebration of a job well done and the unofficial arrival of summer.

Thanks to generous community support, in 2001 Keep Charlevoix Beautiful was able to purchase a state of the art watering truck.

Capable of holding 12,000 gallons of water for daily delivery to the thirsty plants, the new equipment transformed what used to take Dale, Marilyn, a flat-bed truck and two

livestock tanks into a relatively simple and uncomplicated operation.

The new truck also frequents local parades across the state to present Miss Charlevoix and her court on their 37 foot float. According to Nancy Kline, Vice President and spokeswoman for Keep Charlevoix Beautiful, over 2.5 million people see the truck and float each year -- further promoting Charlevoix the Beautiful.

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Three barrels, two hearts, one dream

A dream come true it was for 13-year-old Jacie LaBlance from Charlevoix.

Over the Labor Day weekend, at the Midland Fair Grounds in Midland, Jacie and her horses, Ima Tender Dolly and Bonners First Latch (Bonnie) competed in the Michigan 2009 National Barrel Horse Association State Finals.

Each contestant is allowed two runs to try to make their way into the final go on Saturday night.

Jacie was fortunate enough to qualify with both horses.

She qualified with Dolly in the youth, which is 18 and under and in the open class with her other horse, Bonnie, in which anyone of any age can compete.

Making it back into the finals on your first run helps take the pressure off the next day of competition.

Making it back to the finals on both horses was exciting enough, but what was to come was unbelievable.

She wasn't sure just how Dolly was going to do in

her final run, since on her second run, Dolly didn't come around the second barrel very well.

"I had to slow her way down so we could get back on track. We finished the pattern with a time, but that was about it," Jacie said. "Before my final run, I worked with her, making sure she was giving me her nose and just keeping her soft."

The finals began at 6 p.m. on Saturday night.

She was number 13 in the youth, out of 46 riders. She went in the arena with a positive attitude, trusting her horse would make the turns for her.

She came out with her and Dolly's personal best, a 17.063, which set her up good at the top of the third divisional. There is where she stayed and was awarded the top prize in the youth 3-D.

She received a saddle and a cash prize for a total value of about \$950.

This would be Jacie's second saddle of the year;

for she was also awarded a saddle for the year end awards for International Barrel Racing Association in August aboard her same mount, Ima Tender Dolly in the 3-D youth.

She also had a phenomenal barrel pattern with her other mount, Bonnie. They ran their personal best in the open class, running against 96 other contestants. Although it didn't place her in the money, she was elated with her horse's performance.

Her sidekick and best friend, Caroline Boss, also competed in her first State Finals competition.

She had a great time and was happy to get her personal best time of 16.5 seconds.

Both girls are already talking about next season, in which they are hoping to better their times and improve their runs wherever they can.

Jacie would like to thank all of those who have supported her throughout the barrel racing season: her



COURTESY PHOTO

Over the Labor Day weekend, at the Midland Fair Grounds in Midland, Jacie LaBlance (right) and her horses, Ima Tender Dolly and Bonners First Latch (Bonnie) competed in the Michigan 2009 National Barrel Horse Association State Finals.

Mom and Dad, grandparents, her best friends, Autumn and Caroline, Bob and Karen Thomas, and Craig and Erica Boss.

She is thankful that she is able to share these wonderful memories with the people she cares about most.

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Beaver Island kick starts next month with the Island Booodle and Bite of Beaver Island Food Festival Saturday, Oct. 3.

The booodle is a 5K run and walk along Paradise Bay. The race begins at 10 a.m. with registration beginning at 8 a.m. at the Beachcomber.

Participants receive T-shirts, refreshments and prizes. Cost is \$30 until

Sept. 25 and \$35 the day of the race; families cost \$40 until Sept. 25 and \$45 the day of the race.

Registration forms are available from the Beaver Island chamber, at www.beaverisland.org or at the Beachcomber the day of the race. Proceeds go to Beaver Island Sport Boosters.

The Bite of Beaver Island is in its ninth year, and runs 1-4 p.m. at Holy Cross Hall.

In addition to samplings by amateur and professional chefs for nominal prices, there will be an apple pie contest. Those wishing to participate should drop off their pie 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the hall; put your name on the bottom of the pie plate.

The community center is hosting a craft fair 1-4 p.m. Entry forms for that and the Bite are available at www.beaverisland.org.

A group bike ride is scheduled for 4 p.m., starting from the bathing beach. Bikers can join for all or part of the 8-mile or 14-mile rides. Per mile pledges benefit the sports boosters. For more information, call Linda Frymoyer at (231) 651-9618.

For more information on the run and food festival, contact the chamber at (231) 448-2505 or visit www.beaverisland.org.

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Jazz poet slings thick thoughts with witty wordplay

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Dressed in a black open-neck shirt, slacks and a pair of Converse high-tops, John Alberts sat at a table outside the Alcove Cafe and eyed a logy swarm of bees.

"I'm terribly allergic to bees," he said casually, dismissing a fat bumblebee with a wave of his hand. "If one stings me, I'll have a half-hour to get to the hospital. They'll give me a shot of adrenaline and monitor my vital signs for a couple of hours."

Asked if he'd like to move inside, Alberts answered quickly in the negative. It seemed he'd rather take a chance than play it safe.

Alberts is a poet with a passion for the buzz and hum and staccato snap of the spoken word.

"I stumbled into it on the way to something else," he said of writing poetry. "I listen to things and I write down how they sound. Like jazz, there's a cadence and rhythm. The words are kind of like notes in music."

As a teenager in Saginaw, Alberts was inspired to write poetry by an English teacher during his sophomore year.

"In high school I was overweight, very shy — I was just a mess," he said.

Annoyed by what he determined to be a spurious assignment in his high school economics class, Alberts wrote his essay on why he shouldn't write an essay. It did not bode well with school officials.

"But I discovered that writing does have a powerful effect," he said.

Later at Michigan State Uni-

versity, a professor read a poem and "I got it," said Alberts. "I changed my major to theater arts. I was just fascinated by what can happen with the spoken word."

After a career of teaching theater in Pomona, Calif., Alberts returned to Michigan with his wife, Rachel. The couple is active in the northern Michigan art community.

Alberts doesn't like to talk about how he writes. "It's like trying to find out how a frog jumps by dissecting the frog," he said. "I'm suspicious of that."

Instead, he relies on the effect that the words convey, preferably when read aloud.

"I think poems should be heard. Every time I get up to read, I want to knock people on their ass."

Feeling that the artist's intention is not open to arbitrary interpretation, Alberts disagrees with the notion that a poem is whatever the reader wants it to be.

"A steak is a steak," he said. "You can't say it's a lobster."

Alberts produced a copy of one of his recent works in progress titled "War Games." He read aloud, his voice sliding around the words, at first playful, then wicked and sly. It ended, like the sizzling of a doved fire, with the smell of smoke.

"Sometimes, as you're walking along and you catch sight of yourself in a shop window, you see yourself in a completely different way," Alberts said. "It's our calling, our obligation, to share that view with other people."

Dommage, Ma Cher Duncan

Inspired by natural phenomena such as waves and winds, she danced in long flowing diaphanous tunics, her long hair unbound. She died in an automobile accident on a road in Nice, France, in 1927 just after one final dramatic appearance in Paris. Her long scarf, trailing behind her in her speeding convertible, wound around the car's rear wheel, strangling her.

Dommage, Ma Cher Duncan
Quelle dommage! I repeat. What a pity!
That bold Isadora, on leaving the City
Of Lights, did not, in her speedy drophead
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Time to Make Post-Recession Investment Moves?

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor



Like a tiresome dinner guest, the recession has long outstayed its welcome. But there are some clear signs that the economy has begun to turn around. If that is indeed the case, how should you, as an individual investor, respond?

Before we get to that question, let's quickly review some of the key factors that suggest the recession may be ending. First, we've seen four straight months of gains by the Conference Board's Index of Leading Economic Indicators. Also, the job market is improving somewhat and bank lending is increasing. The Federal Reserve's efforts to stabilize the financial system have improved conditions in the corporate credit markets, as indicated by a dramatic increase in the amount of new bonds issued by companies thus far in 2009. We've also seen improvements in the housing market and in industrial production.

Even if all this evidence indicates the recession is ending, does that necessarily mean that boom times for investors will follow? A look back in time shows reasons for optimism. In 10 recessions, extending from 1949 through 2001, the S & P 500 rose, on average, 9.5 percent six months following the recession's end date, and 15.5 percent after 12 months, according to Ned Davis Research. Of course, as you have no doubt heard, past performance is no guarantee of future results, but in years gone by, staying in the market rewarded long-term investors — those who could look beyond the recession at hand.

In any case, if the recession is ending, let's return to our original question: What investment moves should you make? As we've already seen, the most important step you can take is to remain invested — and if you're out of the market, consider getting back in. As exhibited by the strong market rally this summer, large gains can come quickly, but they only come to those who aren't on the investment sidelines.

In addition to staying invested, consider these other post-recession moves — which are

actually pretty good moves before and during a recession, as well:

• Look for quality. In any economic environment, you'll be making a smart move by focusing on quality investments that fit your unique situation. You may look for the stocks of those companies with strong management teams and competitive products. And stick with investment-grade bonds, if fixed income is appropriate.

• Diversify. Build a portfolio containing a variety of investments, including stocks, bonds, government securities and certificates of deposit. While diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, it can help you reduce the long-term effects of volatility on your holdings.

• Keep a long-term perspective. It's not easy to overlook market fluctuations, especially severe ones, but if you can keep your eyes on what you hope to achieve in the future, you might be less likely to over-react to short-term events. While you may need to periodically adjust your investment mix in response to changes in the economy and in your own life, you'll be better off.

in the long run, by establishing a strategy that's appropriate for your individual risk tolerance and goals — and sticking to it.

As individuals, we're all subject to the ebbs and flows of the economy. But by focusing on those things you can control — such as buying quality investments, diversifying and thinking long term — you can become an investor for all seasons.

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The Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene pictured here is one of seven churches which have so far joined the Charlevoix community marriage covenant.

Churches working together to help save marriages, reduce divorce

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The national average for divorce rates is close to 52 percent while Charlevoix County has nearly a 60 percent rate of divorce.

It is this statistic, said Pastor Dan Gilmore of the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene, which has he and fellow church leaders taking action.

"This is a crisis," Gilmore said. "From 2003 to 2007 we had 1,045 marriages in Charlevoix County. Over that same time period we had 625 divorces that were filed in the county. That is a failure rate of 59.8 percent."

To help reverse the trend of divorces in the area Gilmore and several other church leaders in the Charlevoix Ministerial Association will be holding an organizational video conference with the Marriage Savers organization from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Sept. 22, at the Charlevoix Public Library.

"Marriage Savers is headed by Mike and Harriet McManus who (have) begun this ministry to help communi-

ties come together to do different things to strengthen marriage," Gilmore said. "Things could include having substantial premarital counseling to deal with things like communication issues and finances; encouraging marriage enrichment and providing counseling by trained mentor couples."

The meeting, which is open to the public, will include an hour-long informational speech by Mike McManus and a question and answer session. The meeting will also serve as a means for those interested to organize their efforts and to plan how the marriage enrichment programs will be implemented in the area.

"What type of positive change in American family life could improve the overall well being of married couples and children in Charlevoix County? Many believe that the answer comes by strengthening the marriage relationship and increasing the probability of children being born and raised in healthy, married, two-parent homes with a father and mother both provid-

ing guidance and nurture," the Lake Charlevoix Area Community Marriage Covenant states.

Charlevoix's marriage covenant will be one of more than 200 similar social contracts nationwide.

Couples interested in the mentor training program should also plan on attending.

"Seasoned married couples that have weathered some storms are an amazing resource that we have and often overlook," Gilmore said.

The Sept. 22 planning session will culminate in a larger event at 1 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Charlevoix County Building, tentatively at the entry stairway at the east end of the courthouse.

"We're going to sign a marriage covenant," Gilmore said. "We will use that as a blueprint to move forward."

There will also be a Marriage Savers weekend seminar on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 23 and 24. Times will be announced at a later date.

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Beliefs

- God has established the sanctity of marriage
- God intends the marriage bond of husband and wife to be a lifelong union
- As religious leaders, we have a responsibility to participate in and to provide premarital preparation to improve the understanding and mutual commitment of couples being married
- As religious leaders, we have a responsibility to strengthen and nourish existing marriages



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can cause noise-induced hearing loss from even a one-time exposure. It can also occur from exposure to gunfire over an extended period. For these reasons, hunters and target shooters are urged to wear hearing protection. Ask any hunter over age 50 who never protected his or her ears.

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Wednesday, September 16, 2009

School labor talks continue

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR



Janik

Now more than one year without a settled labor agreement, Charlevoix Public Schools teachers and administrators continue to negotiate.

Despite having yet to reach an agreement, Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik said the two groups are

making positive steps.

"The rules of state mediation do not allow for the discussion and disclosure of issues discussed during the mediation session," Janik stated in an e-mailed response to questions.

A set of identical questions was submitted to both Janik and the head of the Charlevoix Education Association AnnMarie Conway.

Conway did not respond by press time.

"We are in the process of trying to reach agreement on a new contract that is fair to both parties," Janik wrote. "We have been meeting on a regular basis since May and have made significant progress on many issues."

He added, "There has been civil, honest and productive dialogue."

Janik would not comment on the specific positive moves or sticking points, but did identify the mediator as Tom Kreis.

"The meetings are occurring in the administration building conference room," Janik stated.

The teachers' contract expired on Aug. 31, 2008.

Return candy in question

RECALL

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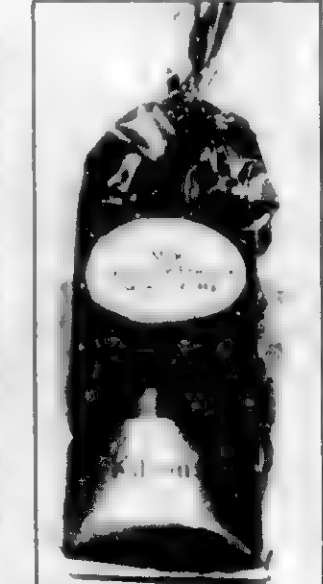
time," he said. "The (Food and Drug Administration) recommended that we do it now."

By April 1, Audia said the peanut vendor was supplying Kilwin's with safety-certified peanuts. The recall didn't pose significant financial issues for Kilwin's, he added, noting that the vendor provided the company with credit for the potentially infected products' cost.

Kilwin's release noted that salmonella is an organism that can cause serious, sometimes

fatal, infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare situations, salmonella infections can lead to the organism entering the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections, endocarditis and arthritis.

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Charlevoix Public Schools meeting

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education during their meeting regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 14.

Item: Boyne City Public Schools Alternative Education Program cooperative

In brief: This will allow Charlevoix students to attend the alternative education program in Boyne City.

Board action: 7-0
Item: Part-time Custodian Recommendation at Charlevoix Elementary and Middle Schools
In brief: Hire two custodians to work 20 hours per week each.

Board action: 6-1 and 4-3 respectively.

Item: St. Mary's Title I Program Aide Recommendation
In brief: Charlevoix Public Schools will continue offering at-risk programs to St. Mary School.

Board action: 7-0
Item: High School Guidance Counselor Recommendation
In brief: Kimberly Dickinson was hired as the full-time counselor to replace John Prescott.

Board action: 7-0
Item: School Election Date
Options
In brief: Possibility of moving

election from May to November to save money. The school currently pays for elections in May but would save money by sharing election costs with county and townships in November. It currently costs \$3,500 to run an election.

Board action: No action was taken.

Item: Secretary/Treasurer Nomination
In brief: New board member Larry Levingood was appointed as the secretary/treasurer.

Board action: 7-0
The board will meet again at 7 p.m. on Oct. 12.

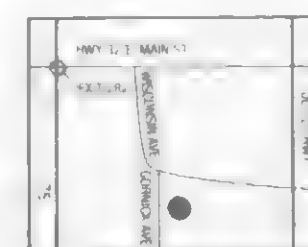
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'Evil' author coming to Charlevoix

BY CAROL SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Mardi Link, Traverse City resident and mother of three obtained her journalism degree from Michigan State University, but is a self-proclaimed "investigator from an early age."

"As a kid, I took a notebook with me nearly everywhere I went," the author said. "I'd write stories and poems and observations ... I really grew up writing."

Link's first publication, *When Evil Came to Good Hart*, published by the University of Michigan press in 2008, quickly earned a spot on the *Heartland Indie Bestseller* list.

And, Link, a former crime reporter, was named Antioch's Betty Crumrine Scholar for Creative Nonfiction in 2007.

When *Evil Came to Good Hart* delves into the cold-case file of the violent murders of the Robinson family in their Good Hart cabin in 1968.

"When *Evil Came to Good Hart* is a well-researched and

well-written piece of nonfiction that holds the reader in its spell," said Judith Guest, author of *Ordinary People* and *The Tarnished Ey*. "My highest praise for Mardi Link's book is to say that it reads like a good

"The sudden and unexplained disappearance remained a complete mystery until the little lady's skeletal remains were discovered."

novel, a real page-turner."

Isadore's Secret, Link's second nonfiction historical true crime hit shelves this summer. The nonfiction crime thriller chronicles the Aug. 23, 1907 disappearance of Sister Mary Janina, a young Felician nun living and serving in Isadore, Michigan.

The sudden and unexplained disappearance remained a complete mystery for over ten years until the little lady's skeletal remains were discovered buried in the dirt floor of the old church building — weaving a web of scandal and a multitude of unanswered

questions.

"In Isadore's Secret," said Steve Lehto, author of *Death's Door*, "Mardi Link shines a journalist's lamp on this dark, quiet corner of Michigan's history, assuring that the tragic

story of Sister Janina is not forgotten. Link's telling is fascinating and thorough, making a story you will not soon forget."

With two books published in the last two years, Link has no plan to slow down, and has already begun work on her next book.

Tentatively titled, *Trial By Liars*, Link's next project surrounds the investigation of the death of Gaylord man Jerry Tobias.

Found frozen in the back of a pickup truck, five men went to prison for his murder but were later exonerated.

"It will be much more of a courtroom drama than anything else I have ever done," Link said.

The most difficult thing about writing historical nonfiction Link acknowledges, is staying true to the facts.

"The hardest thing is separating fact from fiction and conjecture," she said. "Staying loyal to the facts and the science — that is my first boss. Making the book logical and interesting comes second."

Round Lake Bookstore will

welcome Mardi Link for an author visit and book signing from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 21. For more information, contact Round Lake Bookstore at 547-2699 or visit www.mardi-link.com.

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Charlevoix remembers Sept. 11, 2001



Top left, Gail Seldel stands at attention during the Sept. 11, 2001 remembrance ceremony last Friday in Charlevoix's Veterans Park. Top middle and far right, the new veterans memorial in Charlevoix's Veterans Park has an updated list of the names of those from the area who have died while serving their country. Bill Anderson of Miami, Fla., looks on in silence at the new veterans memorial on Friday Sept. 11. Anderson said he was passing through Charlevoix and decided to attend the memorial before moving on. Right, various past members of the military stand at attention with rifles in hand while the Green family singers serenaded a crowd with a solemn tune to commemorate the day of the 2001 terrorists attacks on America.



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The photos on this page taken by Charlevoix residents and visitors were submitted to the Charlevoix Courier for this monthly feature. Photos can be dropped off at the Courier office at 112 Mason Street or e-mailed to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Information about the photographer and photo, including when it was taken and a brief description of what is pictured must also be submitted.



Signs of summer

That's My Photo contributor Julie Christensen submitted pictures of this sailboat (left) and a pot of flowers at the farmers market in downtown Charlevoix. Photos by Julie Christensen



Picture perfect

Tom Conlan sent this postcard-esque picture of the area to That's My Photo. To have your photographs considered for publication, e-mail them to news@charlevoixcourier.com or bring them to 112 Mason St. in Charlevoix.



Fish on

Cora Taylor, 12, of Charlevoix caught this 12 1/2 inch, 1 pound, 7 ounce Yellow Perch over labor day weekend. Photo by Kim Taylor



On Belve' Pond

That's My Photo mainstay Tom Conlan sent this picture of mist over Belvedere Pond on an Early September Morning. Photo by Tom Conlan

LETTERS

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Methodists as well as the Episcopal church and the Reformed Church of America.

It would appear these church bodies have no problem with homosexual members and clergy as well.

It is a mystery to me how any Christian church or any Christian can ignore or deny the clear words of the Scripture and give their approval of homosexuality by allowing unrepentant gay members to remain in their church and even serve as leaders.

In my church and denomination we do preach forgiveness of sins which include sexual sins.

Christ died for the sins of adulterers, child molesters and homosexuals as well as all other sins.

In repentance God calls such sinners to end their wickedness and strive to live decent lives in accord with God's word.

Normally, believers want to obey their God out of appreciation for his gift of forgiveness.

They also realize that God's commands are intended to bring peace and joy in this life.

I do not hate those who commit homosexual acts or any other sinful deed. I pity them and offer them Christian love. I would like them to find help and forgiveness for their problem in Jesus Christ, and I am very willing to assist anyone who seeks my help.

My congregations and church body welcome all who wish to find deliverance and hope for real life, eternal life in heaven, in Jesus.

Pastor Jeff Londgren Charlevoix

IN GOD WE TRUST

Editor: Whether reading the paper or watching the news, the main point is that our country is in an economic crisis.

Jobs are being lost, retirement savings have dwindled, homes are being foreclosed and budgets are shrinking.

Have you asked yourself "Why?"

Look at the back of your money. You will see the words "In God We Trust."

Our country has been successful, and hated by other countries, because the United States of America was built on a solid foundation, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

For the Bible says in Luke 6:22 "Blessed are you when men hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man."

But, unfortunately, many

people have told God to get out of our schools, get out of our governments and get out of their lives. Our God is a loving God, and I believe He has graciously stepped aside.

However, the Bible says in John 15:5, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

We don't need a government bailout or a stimulus package or a government run health care plan.

We need to put God back into our workplaces, our schools, our governments and our lives. Man is trying to fix things, but without God, nothing will work.

Pray before you go to work, pray before a meeting and pray before you cash your paycheck.

Put God back where He belongs: In every area of your life and then watch to see what happens. For those who haven't proclaimed Jesus as your Lord and Savior, I give you this for thought: I once read a quote which said, "I would rather live my life as if there is a God and die to find out there isn't, than live my life as if there isn't and die to find out there is."

Christine Schwenke Charlevoix

INDOOR CLINIC NEEDED

Editor: Do you want to play soccer when it's cold? Or do you want to play in a school gym? Well, I want neither. I believe

that there should be an indoor soccer clinic.

If you don't think so, then I will tell you why there should be an indoor soccer clinic.

First, I believe that there should be one because maybe the coach would make up fun games to play.

Or maybe you would get good snacks on your breaks. Also you could earn a prize or something if you do well.

Secondly, I believe that you could get taught a little more, or get better at some things. You could get better at controlling the ball in a smaller place. Maybe you could work on kicking the ball a little lighter if you kick it hard. You could also get help on trapping harder balls in a smaller place, so that they land in front of you.

Finally, I believe that it would be good to have an indoor soccer clinic because you could play in the winter. Instead of outside in the cold or in a school gym, you could actually be in a real indoor soccer place. Of course you know this, but when you're indoors you don't have to play with snow on the ground. Also you don't have to take a break in

the winter. You could play all year 'round'.

So did you change your mind about playing outside or in a school gym? Well, I hope so! That is why I think there should be an indoor soccer clinic.

Leah Davis Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

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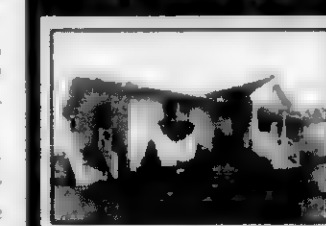
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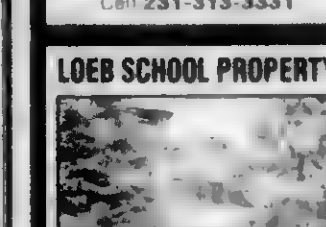
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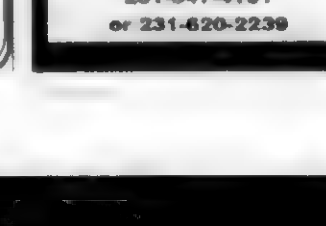
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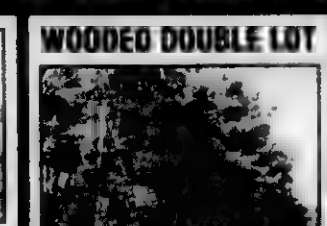
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Oleson's food stores honored for milestone

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, Traverse City's own Oleson's Food Stores were expected to be honored at a one-of-a-kind event at the Hagerty Center on 715 E. Front St. during the Michigan Grocers Association's Annual Fall Conference.

Oleson's Food Stores marks its 75th year as member of the Michigan Grocers Association (MGA).

Having joined the statewide, non-profit food industry Association in 1934, Oleson's Food Stores has the distinction of being MGA's oldest member.

Oleson's began their grocery business in Traverse City in 1926 and, clearly, the company has withstood the test of time.

With locations in Traverse City, Petoskey, Charlevoix and Manistee, the family-owned Oleson's Food Stores provides Northern Michigan

with quality and competitively priced groceries, saying "Yes! to Michigan" by offering an outstanding selection of fresh local produce, fish and meat.

Oleson's Vice President, DJ Oleson, is Vice Chairman of MGA's Board of Directors. Five generations of the Oleson family have made significant contributions to the economic vitality and quality of life in Grand Traverse and surrounding counties, starting with the original store owner Nels Oleson; his son and daughter-in-law, credited as Oleson's Food Stores' founders Gerald W. (known by all as "Mr. O") and his wife Frances Oleson; their sons Jerry and Don Oleson; grandsons DJ and Brad Oleson; granddaughter Marty and her husband Jeff Watts; and several of their children who work in the stores today.

The Michigan Legislature commended Oleson's with a Tribute that praises the company as a "respected job provider" and as "an unwavering supporter of the communities they serve." The Tribute is sponsored by six area legislators: Senator Jason Allen (37th District), and Senator Michelle McManus (35th District), Rep. Kevin Elsheimer (105th District), Rep. Wayne Schmidt (104th District), Rep. Gary McDowell (107th District) and Rep. Dan Scripps (101 District); and it is signed by Governor Jennifer M. Granholm.

The Legislative Tribute will be read and presented to the Oleson family during the MGA Conference's closing night event, beginning at 7 p.m. with a bayside reception, followed by an 8 p.m. dinner tribute to Oleson's Food Stores.

The event will also show-

case an ice sculpture, crafted by Traverse City's Arctic Glacier Company, featuring a buffalo to recognize the company's great entrepreneurial spirit in owning a 500 to 600-head herd of buffalo; and, a sheet cake, courtesy of Spartan Store's Glen's Market at Chum's Corner, decorated to honor Oleson's.

Traverse City hosts the MGA Annual Fall Conference this year, as it has on more than a dozen previous occasions dating back to the 1930s.

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The Association is recognized as an industry leader in government and industry relations, communications, education, technical assistance and public advocacy support.

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Softball champs

Pictured are the Aarmor Seal slo-pitch Beaver Island Homecoming Softball Tournament winners (back, from left) James Thomas, Brad Waldron, Danny Waldron, Doug Harback, Eddie Waldron, Jeremy Kellogg, (front, from left) Ryan Leitner, Mike Krass, Nate Reyes, Bo Moore and Chris Waha. The champs played four teams over two days to take the trophy.



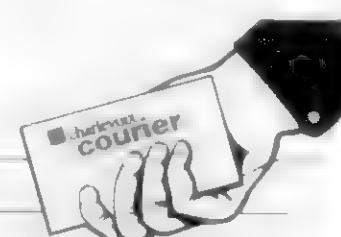
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T-ball Purple Sox

The Charlevoix Purple Sox are pictured (front, from left) coach Patrick Hanchin, Alex Kwapias, River Pease, Krista Dorst, Kyle Dorst, coach Dave Dorst (back row) coach Amy Hanchin, Madeline Hanchin, Autumn Graham, Jack Gaffney, Nic Sanger, Helen Hanchin and coach Zac Sanger. Missing is Gio and Enzo Ferucci.

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Charlevoix Rayders host annual Mud Run event

Top finishers in the annual Charlevoix Classic Mud Run Saturday at Charlevoix High School. Boys 11-12

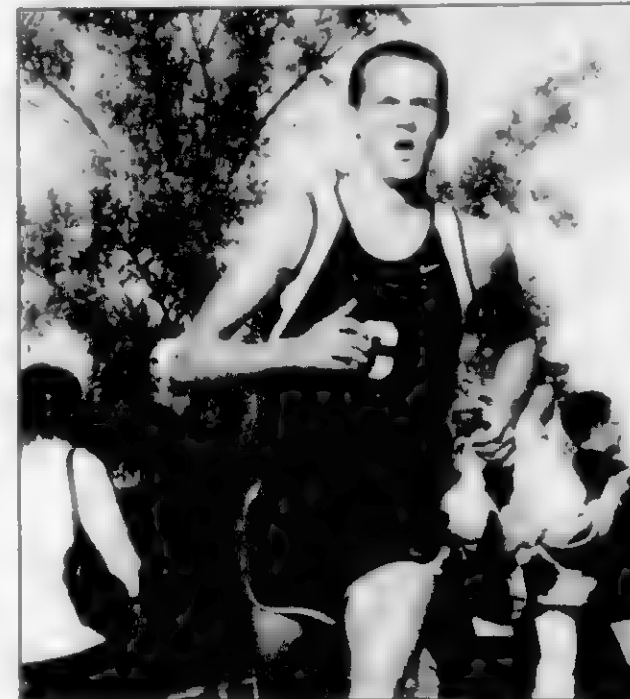
- 1-Jeremy Egas, Wolverine 17:08
- 2-Eric Buday, Charlevoix 17:42
- 3-Mike Drake, Petoskey 17:45
- 4-Jayden Hesselink, Gaylord 17:46
- 5-Tyler Pullen, Cadillac 17:51
- 6-Mike Sydow, Harbor Springs 17:56
- 7-Ahbul Hidarrah, D'born Ed. Ford 18:09
- 8-Abdallah Aljahami, D'born Ed. Ford 18:11
- 10-Corey Gage, Newberry 18:12
- Boys 9-10
- 1-Ryan Hearsh, Cadillac 17:44
- 2-Matt Moss, Elk Rapids 17:57
- 3-Kirk Acharya, Charlevoix 18:01
- 4-Ben Kloss, Harbor Springs 18:17
- 5-Andrew Plude, Charlevoix 18:24
- 6-Matt Oram, N. C'ntry Trails 18:34
- 7-Jack Touran, Petoskey

- 8-Nate Fisher, Gaylord 18:48
- 9-Dan Garza, D'born Edsel Ford 18:49
- 10-Charlend Howard, Gaylord 18:58
- Charlevoix: Alex Gooch, 11th, 9-10, 19:08; Vin VonLau, 15th, 9-10, 19:19; Doug Reynolds, 31st, 11-12, 20:01; Will Jeakle, 31st, 9-10, 20:51.
- Ellsworth: Jordan Muma, 22nd, 11-12, 19:02; Jacob Seane, 25th, 9-10, 20:02; Dalton Swenson, 29th, 9-10, 20:29; Pablo Oviedo, 63rd, 9-10, 22:50; Chance Randall, 66th, 9-10, 23:09; Jacob Collins, 71st, 9-10, 23:23; Jeff Sutherland, 80th, 11-12, 24:04.
- East Jordan: Rob Nemecek, 45th, 9-10, 21:49; Alex Hanson, 96th, 30:10.
- Girls 11-12
- 1-Enca Craun, D'born Divine Child 20:04
- 2-Emily Kwekel, Bellaire 20:50
- 3-Amanda Olds, Gaylord 21:28
- 4-Alyssa Oram, N. Cntry Trails 21:32
- 5-Anna Kassuba, Gaylord 21:53
- 6-Lillian Hawkins, D'born Edsel Ford 22:02
- 7-Kendal McCarthy, Harbor

- Springs 22:06
- 8-Sarah Lambert, Central Lake 22:29
- 9-Amy Bieganowski, Petoskey 22:43
- 10-Krystin Dreyer, Gaylord 22:44
- Girls 9-10
- 1-Michelle Kerr, D'born Divine Child 20:40
- 2-Mackenzie Brewis, D'born Div. Child 20:47
- 3-Sarah Woolley, D'born Edsel Ford 21:20
- 4-Maddie Buntin, Harbor Springs 21:49
- 5-Maddy Dantz, T.C. St. Francis 21:56
- 6-Kaitlyn Dreyer, Gaylord 21:59
- 7-Megan Borgeson, Gaylord 22:02
- 8-Rhi Cullip, Harbor Springs 22:06
- 9-Molly Jeakle, Charlevoix 22:07
- 10-Jaylee Brown, Bear Lake 22:22
- Charlevoix: Hulsy Way, 21st, 9-10, 24:05; Annie Dipert, 26th, 9-10, 24:34; Sterling Withoef, 30th, 9-10, 24:49; Jane Balasz, 37th, 9-10, 25:06; Krista Pischner, 46th, 11-12, 25:15; Lauren Bartling, 59th, 9-10, 26:35.
- Ellsworth: Olivia Cerna, 17th, 9-10, 23:14; Lindsey Fisher, 28th, 11-12, 23:49; Taylor Hart-

ley, 25th, 9-10, 24:30; Emily Piellusch, 44th, 11-12, 25:13; Tara Essenberg, 48th, 9-10, 25:39; Norma Oviedo, 69th, 11-12, 26:49; Emily Veenstra, 83rd, 9-10, 29:00.

East Jordan: Ellie Hague, 80th, 9-10, 28:43; Elissa Weerstra, 85th, 11-12, 28:47.



NEWS-REVIEW

Charlevoix's Eric Buday runs to a second-place finish in the 11-12-grade boys' race in the annual Charlevoix Classic Mud Run at Charlevoix High School. Buday finished in 17 minutes, 42 seconds.

Top mud runners

Jeremy Egas of Wolverine finished in 17 minutes, 8 seconds Saturday, edging Charlevoix's Eric Buday and Petoskey's Michael Drake to win the boys' 11-12 grade race in the annual Charlevoix Classic Mud Run Cross Country Race at Charlevoix High School.

Four Dearborn Edsel Ford runners finished in the top 15 in the 11-12 race as the Thunderbirds won the boys' team title with a combined time of 1 hour, 31 minutes, 38 seconds. Gaylord was second at 1:32:23, followed by Charlevoix, Harbor Springs and Petoskey.

Dearborn Divine Child won the girls' team event in 1:46:58, while Gaylord, 1:50:06 was second, followed by Harbor Springs, Cadillac, Petoskey and Charlevoix. Divine Child's Erica Crane won the girls' 11-12 race in 20:04, while teammate Michelle Kerr won the 9-10 race in 20:40.

The top 10 runners in each race earned a medal. The

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SPORTS reviewing the action

More than 50 teams get muddy

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fields were split into two divisions based on school enrollment, Division I-II-III, and Division IV. Edsel Ford won the boys' Division I-II-III event, while Gaylord was second and Charlevoix was third. Harbor Springs won the Division IV team title, followed by North Country Trails and Central Lake.

Divine Child was first in Division I-II-III girls' competition, followed by Gaylord and Cadillac. Harbor Springs won the Division IV portion, followed by Traverse City St. Francis and Bear Lake.

Twenty-five teams comprised the boys' field, 28 comprised the girls' field. The team standings were determined by the top seven times per team in the 11-12 and 9-10 grade races.

The course included three large water holes, one of which included two cedar logs to form a steeple jump, and hay bales.

"The Charlevoix Township and Charlevoix City

fire departments are out here every year at 6 a.m. and spend two to three hours filling up those water holes," Charlevoix girls' coach Mary Plude said. "It just would not be the event we have if they weren't willing to take the time and get up in the morning and do that."

Charlevoix's Buday finished in 17:42, while Petoskey's Drake came in at 17:45. Mike Sydow of Harbor Springs finished sixth in 17:56 in the boys' 11-12 race.

The top area finisher in the boys' 9-10 race was Charlevoix's Kirk Acharya, who was third in 18:01. Ryan Hearsh of Cadillac won in 17:44. Harbor's Ben Kloss placed fourth in 18:17, while Charlevoix's Andrew Plude was fifth in 18:24. Jack Touran of Petoskey placed seventh in 18:40.

Four Harbor runners — Kendal McCarthy, Katie Hoffman, Jessica Hall and Nicole Love — finished in the top 20 in the girls' 11-12 race, while Petoskey's

Amy Bieganowski finished ninth in 22:43. McCarthy placed seventh, Hoffman was 11th, Hall was 12th, and Love was 19th.

Harbor's Maddie Buntin turned in the top area finish in the girls' 9-10 race as she placed fourth in 21:49. Teammate Rhi Cullip was eighth, while Charlevoix's Molly Jeakle placed ninth.

"For the girls I was pretty pleased because that's the highest we've ever finished (overall)," Harbor coach Emily Kloss said. "Last year we were fifth (overall)."

"The top five girls were within 60 seconds again. Our order changed again so it's going to be interesting to see how that plays out. I think it's going to continue to change, probably for the next two, three weeks. It's a very good thing, especially when they're running that close."

The Harbor boys followed a similar path.

"Nick Cooper, who ran No. 1 the other day, ran seventh (Saturday)," coach Mike Kloss said. "The kids have been switching back

and forth. As we get in shape I hope over the next few weeks we'll continue to get better."

"They ran pretty good. Some ran better than they did in the last race and others were the opposite."

First-year Petoskey coach Keth Henning said he was pleased with his both of his squads' fifth-place finishes particularly in light of the fact that Petoskey was missing three of its top runners due to other obligations.

"For many of the teams that were there, this was their second or third race," Henning said. "For our first race I was very satisfied."

"Our second-to-fifth girl was only an 18-second spread which is awesome. I'm happy with all my girls."

"Our fifth place for the boys wasn't too bad considering where we were last year. Many of the boys had PRs. We have a very large spread between our first and seventh man. We need a few more races to better assess the season. Right now, I think we're heading in the right direction."



NEWS-REVIEW

Acharya takes third in Mud Run

Charlevoix's Kirk Acharya runs through the cattails and puddles en route to a third-place finish Saturday in the 9-10-grade boys' race in the Charlevoix Classic Mud Run.

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DISHWASHER Kenmore like new, great condition, almond in color. \$100. Microwave/hood combination, Whirlpool, almond, like new. \$100. (989)733-4309.

DORM SIZE refrigerator/freezer, 31x24x22. Repositionable door \$40/firm. Works great. As is. Gaylord. (989)569-4099 (16)

FOUR POSTER bedframe with headboard and footboard, \$50. Five game universal table, \$25. (231)549-1010.

GAS DRYER. \$20. Gas range needs oven control. \$30. Wood stove. \$100. Two mobile home. \$100. (231)582-6244. EHO.

GAS RANGE, apartment size, like new \$25. Automatic coin or grain feeder, \$30. 2 Bench vices, \$15 and \$10. (231)549-2153.

GUMBALL MACHINE Carousel brand, antique style machine, red with black pedestal, total height 37", \$45 firm. (231)740-6819.

HOT WATER heater, Rheem, natural gas, 50 gallon. \$50. Works great. (231)347-8058.

OAK TWIN bed with trundle, \$50. (231)535-2048

PROPANE GAS space heater, good condition \$90. (231)347-4083

QUILTING FABRIC, yards and yards of cotton fabric plus some double knit fabric. \$50 for all. (231)582-6356.

SATELLITE CAR radio system, \$35. (231)582-2699.

SOCCER SHOES and shin guards, Adidas, barely used, youth size 4-1/2, \$14. (231)347-0538.

SOLID WOOD table with leaf and 4 chairs, in very good condition. \$100. (231)547-3114.

TABLE SAW \$35 or best offer. (231)582-2255.

TIRES CONTINENTAL radials P215/65R17, good tread, set of four \$50. (231)348-3709

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1350 SUPERSAVERS

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WASHING MACHINE Kenmore Sears, \$25. (231)547-2627.

WEIDER OLYMPIC squat and bench weight set with safety system. \$100. Call Scott. (989)614-6100 (12)

WINGBACK CHAIRS two \$25 each. Antique oak table and 2 chairs, \$75. Nordic track \$75. All in good condition. (231)582-5074

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STORAGE UNITS 12x32, 16x40, 20x40, and 24x40 heated. Port Air Park. Call (231)547-6445.

STORAGE UNITS, Charlevoix Mini Storage, (231)547-5838, Closed Thursdays.

1800 TEAM/MENTOR EQUIPMENT
Large selection. Gruier's Farm Supply, 05475 US 31 South, Charlevoix. (231)237-0893.

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2008 VOLVO S40, 2.4i Sedan 4 door, 5 speed manual front-wheel drive, traction control, climate package, only 32,800 miles single owner, factory warranty 4 years or 40,000 miles, great condition. Asking \$14,500. Safe and dependable transportation. Got to See For Yourself!!! (231)838-6962

1992 MGTC British Racing green, wire wheels, completely re-wired, great condition, \$19,500 or best offer. (248)760-8000, cell.

1973 BUICK Electra, midnight blue 4-door with strong 455 big block. Body decent, black interior, very nice. Drive this classic home today for \$3,500. Call (231) 758-4823.

1930 GMC HD 1500 SLE Sierra, 5.3L, est. cab, match FB, extra high top with side doors, tow package, step bars, good, clean truck. \$8,900 (231)548-3448, NADA 510,350

2001 ISUZU Rodeo, 4x4, 99,000 miles, 24,000 mile warranty on engine, great condition, white, new tires, power, \$6,500 (305)915-9158, Walloon Lake.

2010 MOTORCYCLES
Large selection. Gruier's Farm Supply, 05475 US 31 South, Charlevoix. (231)237-0893.

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Wednesday, September 16, 2009

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CASE NO. 08-0346-22-CK

CIRCUIT COURT SALE
In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, made and entered on February 27, 2009, Independent Mortgage Company, a Michigan Banking Corporation in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Independent Mortgage Company, a Michigan Banking Corporation was the Plaintiff and George R. Hanor and Kristine L. Hanor, husband and wife were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue at the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for Charlevoix County, on the 9th day of October, A.D. 2009, at 11:00:00 AM o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time the following described property to-wit:

FORECLOSURE NOTICE
MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by George H. Cook, a married man and Martha M. Cook, his wife, to Associates Housing Finance LLC, Mortgagee, dated January 27, 2000, and recorded on May 1, 2009 in Liber 885, Page 408, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy five thousand six hundred and seventy seven and 10/100 dollars (\$75,677.16) including interest at 10.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in Charlevoix County, Michigan, at 1

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For more information, please call: F.C.I. (248) 593-1309.
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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48334-2525
File #246411101
(L-9/16/9/23/9/30/10/07)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nord B. Schroeder and Patricia L. Schroeder, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 16, 2008, and recorded on April 24, 2008 in Liber 0845 on Page 0946, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Eight And 39/100 Dollars (\$97,538.39), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 2, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 100 feet of Lots 4 and 5, Bailey's Addition to Boyne. According to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 16, 2009

For more information, please call: F.C.I. (248) 593-1302.
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond J. Lavioie and Sheila Lavioie, husband and

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wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 1, 2007, and recorded on November 9, 2007 in Liber 826 on Page 510, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-One And 23/100 Dollars (\$138,931.23), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 16, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Evangeline, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 36, Township 33 North, Range 6 West, thence along the East line of said Section, North 00 degrees 54 minutes 57 seconds East 1182.69 feet to the centerline of Old State Road; thence along said centerline, North 89 degrees 09 minutes 34 seconds West 673.52 feet, being the point of beginning, thence South 04 degrees 17 minutes 29 seconds West 395.59 feet; thence North 89 degrees 09 minutes 34 seconds West 332.28 feet; thence there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Eight And 39/100 Dollars (\$97,538.39), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 2, 2009.

Dated: September 16, 2009

For more information, please call: F.C.I. (248) 593-1305.
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ROBERT P. TIBALDI and KATHLEEN A. TIBALDI, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2005, and recorded on August 16, 2005, in Liber 698, on Page 865, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Five Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$548,699.93), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 16, 2009.

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County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on September 25, 2009.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: AN UNDIVIDED 1/7 INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING: COMMENCING AT THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2666 59 FEET TO THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 34; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 00 MINUTES EAST 707.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 59.65 FEET TO THE EDGE OF A PRIVATE ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 01 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE PRIVATE ROAD 226.71 FEET, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID PRIVATE ROAD SOUTH 78 DEGREES 05 MINUTES EAST 124.89 FEET; THENCE NORTH 52 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST 201.29 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE ON THE SHORE OF WALLOON LAKE; THENCE NORTH 38 DEGREES 27 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE LAKE SHORE 304.44 FEET TO AN IRON STAKE; THENCE SOUTH 04 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 149.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 34, INCLUDING ALL LAND LYING BETWEEN THE SHORE LINE AND THE WATER'S EDGE OF WALLOON LAKE.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 20, 2009
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
(L-8/26/9/02/9/09/9/16/07)

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel J. Glezman, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2005, and recorded on August 16, 2005, in Liber 698, on Page 865, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Three And 21/100 Dollars (\$154,733.21), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 16, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The North half of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Town 34 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 16, 2009
For more information, please call: F.C.I. (248) 593-1302.
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PRE-FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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Borrower: John G. Thorp and Betty J. Thorp, husband and wife, ("Borrower")
Property Address: 3419 N. Ayr Road, Alanson, Michigan 49706-9430 ("Property")
Mortgage: Pramco III, LLC ("Mortgage")
Modification Agent: M. Douglas Shepherd IV, Brandt, Fisher, Alward & Roy, P.C. ("Modification Agent")
Modification Agent's Contact Information: 1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817, Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817, (231) 941-9650, and e-mail address: dshepherd@bfalr-law.com

Default has occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Borrower to Mortgagee. Within the last 7 days, a correspondence (the "Correspondence") was mailed to Borrower, and by this publication further notice is hereby given of the following: Within 14 days of the date the Correspondence was mailed, Borrower has the right to contact the Modification Agent to request a meeting (the "Meeting"). The purpose of the Meeting will be to attempt to work out a loan modification. If Borrower requests the Meeting, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after the date the Correspondence was mailed. If the Meeting results in an agreement to modify the loan, the Mortgage will not be foreclosed if Borrower abides by all of the terms of the agreement.

Borrower may contact a Housing Counselor, who can attend the Meeting with Borrower. Information regarding Housing Counselors in Borrower's area is available by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") at (517) 373-6840 or by visiting MSHDA online at www.michigan.gov/mshta.

Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service can be reached at (800) 968-0788 and information is available online at www.michbar.org/programs/lawyerreferral.cfm. Further information regarding legal aid can be found at www.michbar.org/public_resources/legalaid.cfm. The legal aid office serving the Borrower's area is Legal Services of Northern Michigan, and can be contacted at (989) 705-1067.

Dated: September 16, 2009

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Pramco III, LLC
By: M. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD
IV (P64560)
Brandt, Fisher, Alward & Roy, P.C.
Attorneys for Mortgagee
1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817
Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817
(231) 941-9650
File No: 7976.0006
(L-9/16)

2095 PUBLIC NOTICES

The Charlevoix Housing Commission intends to implement a No Smoking Policy and revise its Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy for the Pine River Place Apartments located at 210 West Garfield Avenue in Charlevoix. Copies of these Policies are available for review, on request, at the office located at the same address, weekdays between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 Noon. A Public Meeting to discuss any comments on the policies will be held in the Community Room at the same address at 5:00 P.M. on October 20, 2009. Any comments on the policies must be submitted in writing to the Pine River Place Office no later than 12:00 Noon, Friday, October 16, 2009.
(L-9/16)

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER PUBLIC NOTICE

The Charlevoix Senior Center Annual board meeting will be held on September 29, 2009 at the Charlevoix Senior Center. A free spaghetti dinner will be served starting at 6:00 p.m.
Earl Muma, Director
(L-9/16)

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SYNOPSIS
Tuesday, September 8, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. Councilmember Lyle Gennett was absent. The following proceedings took place:

Council heard a presentation on the Energy Optimization Plan Implementation from Franklin Energy Services.
Motion passed approving the Manager's recommendation in his memo dated 9/8/09 regarding tree trimming on Dixon Avenue.
Motion passed awarding the bid for the Park Avenue and State Street Infrastructure Project to MDC Contracting for \$709,814.
Motion passed approving the construction contracts with RMD Holdings, Ltd. To install security gates and the airport lighting projects.
Motion passed approving the purchase of a loader bucket for the airport from Ginop Sales for \$5,888.
Motion passed approving the purchase of 1/0 Kertite cable from the Resco Corporation for \$12,975.
Motion passed reappointing Bob Heath and Mary Adams to the Historic District Commission.
Motion passed approving the Clerk's appointment of Paul Spendley as Deputy Clerk.
Resolution 2009-09-01 adopted, Execution of MDOT 2009-0710 and FAA 2-26-0017-1209 Airport Agreements.
Council entered closed session from 9:29 to 9:49 p.m. at the City Manager's request to discuss the Manager's evaluation.
Council adjourned at 9:50 p.m. A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.
Carol A. Ochs, City Clerk
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Vikings conquer Rayders 20-19



Jess
utes to play Friday as the

Grayling quarterback Zack Wolcott scrambled for a 5 yard touchdown run with under two minutes to play Friday as the Vikings handed Charlevoix its first loss of the season. Jake McLean scored on a 73-yard run for Charlevoix, 2-1 overall, 0-1 Lake Michigan. Grayling is 2-1, 1-0. "Turnovers in the first half and second half cost us," Charlevoix coach Don Jess said.

"Extra points were also obviously important in this one." McLean finished with 111 yards on 11 carries, and Charlevoix quarterback Clayton Mitchell completed 7-of-15 passes for 94 yards and ran for two TDs. J.T. Lawrance had five re-

ceptions for 55 yards for the Rayders. Jess said that sophomore Coby Herriman did a great job of dominating the middle at linebacker. Charlevoix faces Traverse City St. Francis at home on Sept. 18 in a Lake Michigan Conference game.

Norwood officials likely to decide fate of zoning admin'



Hamilton

Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton. "We're probably going to wait until next meeting and have a quick executive session to decide what to do." He added, "She's done a phenomenal job for us and we'll let her let us know what's going on." Person had worked for the village of nearly 1,700 people for nearly four years. Person did not return phone calls by press time.

but according to the Bellaire Village Web site, Person's duties included: "She sees that the requests from the Village Council are carried out. She performs any research needed for these requests and maintains village legal records. She is the village freedom of information officer and helps with the

record retention of village documents. She records the agendas and minutes of the village committees. She assists in election management, cemetery administration (and) utility billing. She also performs the zoning administrator duties and is staff to the Village Planning Commission.

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A Support Group with Focus

Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix offers DivorceCare recovery support group that meets on Thursday evenings, beginning September 17, from 7-9 p.m. for 13 weeks (join anytime) at the "Servants Quarters," 100 Oak Street (located next door to the Community Reformed Church, one mile north of the bridge). A light dinner is provided.

231-675-1925

After viewing the video, A DivorceCare group participants spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in the lives of group members.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Jeep Club
Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbennett@fox-motors.com. There is no cost to join.

Bridge
Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

Ladies swim
The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sizema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit
Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday through the end of the year. The side office door facing the bank will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Call 547-0373 for information.

Free lunch
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St., offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Beach services
Beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Lake Michigan beach pavilion, the First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will hold informal worship services. Services will continue every Sunday through the summer with the last service being Sunday, Sept. 13. All are welcome.

Charlevoix Skatepark
Open noon to dusk, weekends only beginning Saturday, Sept. 12. Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle
Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI
The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Diane DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAA
Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club
A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000

for more information.

Library events

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.
Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Tai Chi
The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m. Five more sessions meet Sept. 16, 23 and Oct. 7, 14 and 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McCloy at 231-582-7689 or e-mail megpots@sbglobel.net.

Now through Nov. 11
Computer classes
Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Beginner Boot Camp allows new computer users a chance to learn new techniques and ask questions. E-mail Basics will be held 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 and Internet Tricks 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21.

Come learn how to use the library's new technology, including a color scanner and a Kindle, at the New Tech Toys class, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 23.

Then in October, Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2

p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Register by calling 237-7340.
Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

Oct. 13 and 21, and Nov. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

New members are welcome.

Nov. 9, The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Liars, by Kristina Riggle. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the 'Great Michigan Read' community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discussion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

Sept. 18
Senior trip

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. seniors can travel to Traverse City for a seminar and lunch on senior issues. Free for 60 and older, \$5 for everyone else. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m. from the Charlevoix Senior Center at 06906 Norwood Road in Charlevoix.

For more information contact Barbara at 582-1065 or e-mail her at mackenzieb@charlevoixcounty.org

Sept. 18 through 20

Pewabic Pottery

Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, by Marcy Heller Fisher, is the story of a child discovering the beauty of Pewabic tile installations in the metropolitan Detroit area. Fisher will speak from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the Charlevoix Public Library for two very different sessions. Children of all ages will have an opportunity to hear some of the stories from Fired Magic, while creating a Pewabic like tile magnet of their own alongside author Marcy.

At 6:30 p.m., Fisher will present another program no contemporary Pewabic.

The Photo Detective, aka Maureen Taylor, an internationally recognized expert on solving the mysteries of old photographs, will be on hand at the Charlevoix Public Library to help unravel the mysteries behind your old photographs. During "Tales from the Photo Detective," 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, Taylor will examine several photos and show the clues that brought the pictures to life.

She will also share basic steps of her detective work with the audience. The evening will be capped off by the Michigan Room Committee presenting the Margaret Duerr award to John Frey.

The Duerr award is given to an individual who has demonstrated a special interest in the quality of life of northern Michigan.

The following day, Saturday, Sept. 19, Maureen Taylor will present two workshops for those who wish more hands on knowledge. "Identifying and Dating Family Photographs," 10:30 a.m. to noon will teach the attendees ten easy steps for naming those unidentified pictures tucked away in shoe boxes. "Preserving Family Photographs," 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., covers everything a family photographer needs to know about caring for photographs, including printing and sharing digital images and how to safely label grandparent's photos.

Each of these workshops has a \$10 fee. Registration brochures are available at the library or call 237-7340.

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Breast cancer benefit

The fifth annual Trailing for Triumph for the benefit of Breast Cancer Research at Ranch Rudolph, in Traverse City.

A new saddle will be awarded to the rider raising the most pledges.

Riders must raise a minimum of \$200 in sponsor pledges to qualify.

For more information, go to www.trailingfortriumph.org or contact Lisa McFarlan at (231) 582-6165.

A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. "Common Threads" is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer from Sept. 9 through Oct. 31.

Then from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 16, the artists will gather together to discuss their group and answer questions about their process.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Sept. 19
Singles for Christ invites all singles 40 and older for dinner at 6 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 19, at LaSenoria, 1285 US 31 N., Petoskey. R.S.V.P. is required, so please call Frieda at 347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail frida@compnpr.com.

Sept. 19
JRAC natural wonders. The Friends of the Jordan welcomes all to the Fifth Annual Celebration of the Natural Wonders of the Jordan Valley held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 19, at the Jordan River Watershed Center.

Featured will be an exhibit of the more than 90 photographs entered in the Visions of the Valley Photography Contest with awards presentation to the winning photographers. Mike Schlitt of Charlevoix, a renowned nature photographer, was the judge for the photo contest and was impressed with the quality of the photographs entered.

Refreshments and music will be provided at this

event located at Jordan River Watershed Center, 101 Union St. in East Jordan.

Awards will be presented at 4 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

Sept. 20
Eco challenge

On Sunday, September 20, 15 teams of six individuals will compete in the first Eco Challenge Event at the Camp Daggett Adventure Center. This light-hearted competition, a fundraiser for the Adventure Center, will consist of teams working together to complete an Eco Challenge course including a canoeing obstacle course, adventure ropes course challenges, and more.

Teams can be a mix of six men and women age 18 and older.

The cost to participate is a minimum of \$50 per person, or \$300 per team.

The team that raises the most money will receive an award along with many other awards of recognition during the closing ceremony. To date, there are still openings for five teams.

Teams can pre-register for the Eco Challenge by calling Karen Marietti at (231) 347-9742 extension 117 for a registration form. The event begins at 1 p.m. with team registration, with the competition beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The event will come to a close with a barbecue dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by the closing ceremonies and awards presentations.

Sept. 21
Author visit

From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday Sept. 21 meet Mardi Link, author of When Evil Came to Good Hart and see her new book Teadore's Secret at Round Lake Bookstore, 107 Mason St., Suite 102.

Call 547-2699 for more information.

Sept. 24
American Red Cross blood drives

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 24 - Charlevoix at Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

Sept. 26
Casino Nite

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and more games are on tap. Tickets are \$10 each which includes casino money and hors d'oeuvres. There is a cash bar.

Use your winnings to bid for prizes in the auction which follows at 10 p.m.

Get your tickets by calling 547-9170 or visit www.charlevoixyachtclub.org.

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Leukemia Walk

Registration for the Children's Leukemia Foundation's "The Walk" is at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26, in the Historic Bayview Resort Community, Petoskey.

The Walk is at 10 a.m. and registration fee is \$20.

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Each registered participant who raises \$100 or more will be eligible for an official 2009 The Walk T-shirt and prizes. Your \$20 registration fee will go toward the \$100.

Register online at www.leukemiamichigan.org, or call (800) 825-2536. On-site registration will also be available. Lunch will be available to all participants immediately following the walk.

Oct. 3
Driggers hike

At 10 a.m. on Oct. 3 there will be a hike at the Barry Driggers Preserve. Ty Ratliff, land protection specialist for the Conservancy, will be leading a one-hour hike at this property situated between Charlevoix and Boyne City. This past summer, recent improvements made the trails even more enjoyable, making this a property to explore. Hiking difficulty will be moderate, with some smaller hills. Call to pre-register at 347-0991.

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Cost is \$20 for pre-registration by Friday, Sept. 25, or \$25 at the door. Go to www.ARTmeetsEARTH.org or contact Yvonne at (231) 480-4515 or info@ARTmeetsEARTH.org.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

Food pantries

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II
Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III
The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

Medusa retirees
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What would Jesus do about health care?



FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

Like everyone else who is being pinched by escalating health care costs, I've been paying close attention to the national debate over health care reform.

As the national dialogue strains the limits of civility, it seems increasingly clear that at the heart of the debate is who will continue to profit from illness and injury. Each major stakeholder in the health industry — the insurers, the hospitals,

the drug manufacturers, the physicians — has employed high priced lobbyists to, in effect, buy the votes of our elected officials. Today, the only group with no one lobbying on its behalf is that group of average citizens, millions of us, who work and pay the bills.

The President seems to recognize health care reform as an urgent economic issue. He knows that health care is capable of bankrupting this nation if something isn't done to rein in the profiteering that defines the industry.

But to his credit, the President also appears genuinely concerned that in the richest nation in recorded history there are too many people living everyday with untreated illness and injury, who are unable to afford the medicines, therapy, or procedures they need to become well. He appears to understand that health care in America is only for those who can afford it. Perhaps

I'm assuming too much, but in the great cacophony of voices arguing the issue the President alone appears motivated as much by compassion as by economics.

All of this led me to think about WWJD (what would Jesus do?).

What would Jesus have to say about this issue if He were here to weigh in?

Jesus loved people, and still does. The gospel portrayal of Jesus showed Him to be a man of great compassion. I think if Jesus was in the debate He would exhort us to love the sick and hurting among us just as He loves them, and to make it our highest priority to bring comfort and healing into their lives.

I think He would tell those of us who claim to be His followers to get personally involved and not think of someone else's need as someone else's problem. James tells us that our faith has no real worth if we don't do something mean-

ingful with it. He tells us in James 2:15 that when we come upon someone in need it isn't sufficient to just wish them well. Demonstration of our faith requires that we actually get involved in that person's need and help to meet it.

Just as He would express His disappointment over our collective apathy, I think Jesus would sharply scold us for our collective greed.

I think He would tell the health care industry that it is reprehensible to think of human suffering as a profit center. I think He would tell the CEOs of hospitals, insurers, and drug manufacturers that their first responsibility is to suffering humanity, and their shareholders come second.

I think He would tell the insurers who cancel coverage or deny claims for treatment in the name of profit to stop cheating people and give them the benefits they paid for.

I think He would remind physicians and care givers that they have been given a gift and a great privilege to bring healing to the hurting, and that the mercy that is literally in their hands was never intended to benefit only the rich and privileged.

I think He would point as a positive example to healer-servants like our own Dr. John Lignell, who for years has compassionately and quietly treated people who otherwise could not afford it and who drives a Mercury rather than a Mercedes.

I think He would rebuke the drug manufacturers who, through their pricing decisions, in effect decide who will live or die.

I think He would tell parents to stop feeding their kids high fructose corn syrup and junk food and thereby prevent childhood obesity and the emerging epidemic of type 2 diabetes. Then I think he would remind adults that gluttony and sloth were two of the

original seven deadly sins and tell us to start eating right and exercising.

And finally, I think He would tell His church to start doing something meaningful about this problem. He would point out that if everyone who professed to be a Christian lived faithfully and gave generously the church would have the funds to solve any problem that besets society. After all, it's all God's money anyway. The body of believers needs to begin using His money to care for His people.

Today our nation is treating the health care crisis as a political and economic issue. We Christians need to beat the drum to treat it as a humanitarian issue, and begin demonstrating our faith by our works.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix. Counseling by appointment at (231) 675-4682.

Size does seem to matter for all life forms



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

Many decades ago, about 1965, I read an article in the Journal of the Sigma Xi Science Society about the importance of size in the life and times of all animal organisms.

I do not remember any of the specific examples, and I have been unable to find a copy of the article, but do remember that overall size

determines the physiological characteristics and even the behavior of animals.

As a biologist, I haven't pursued those ideas, because there are few limits on plant size that are of any consequence.

I was recently reminded of the size article by the behavior of a chipmunk that lives in our yard and has learned to accept peanuts from my hand. When the chipmunk approaches me and the peanut, he does not stroll over slowly or cautiously but darts up to me in a series of very quick moves separated by short periods of absolute stillness. I wondered why, and I think I know. It has something to do with his small size compared to the

size of all the potential creatures that might like to use him as food.

With his particular pattern of movement, it is possible for the chipmunk to be nearly invisible even while getting from place to place. Most of his time is spent perfectly still, and thus so much less visible.

A Bill Mauldin cartoon from World War II has his heroes Willie and Joe digging a foxhole for their shelter while a heavily armored tank rumbles by.

Willie says, "I'd rather dig a moiré foxhole that tracks the eye."

Our local chipmunk knows that movement attracts the eye instinctively and travels in the short bursts that are

unlikely to attract the eye of any potential predator.

The advantages of large size in the natural world are pretty obvious.

The advantages of small size are less so. It is hard to hide an elephant, but our chipmunk can be completely out of sight under a few leaves.

A large animal may be very strong, but a small one can be unnoticed.

The disadvantages of small size are sometimes not as obvious. On a per pound basis, our chipmunk needs almost a hundred times as much food as the elephant. He needs that extra food to keep himself warm, since he loses heat much faster than the elephant. For very small

warm-blooded animals like our chipmunk, eating a lot of high energy food is absolutely necessary.

That food need even puts a limit on how small a warm-blooded creature can be. The smallest mammal in our climate is a dwarf or pygmy shrew, about half the size of a house mouse. That shrew must eat almost constantly to keep up his metabolism.

A warm-blooded animal smaller than that could not eat fast enough or in amounts large enough to maintain his temperature.

Shrews are in almost constant motion and so operate mostly at night to avoid predators. During the daylight hours they can enter a sort of short term hiberna-

tion to keep from starving to death.

If you have watched small lizards in those parts of the world where they live — we have only one kind of lizard in Michigan out of 125 kinds that live mostly in the warmer climates of the U.S. — you might remember that they move almost exactly in the way our local chipmunk does.

They dart quickly and then remain stationary for seconds before moving again.

While being a completely different kind of animal, they too respond as small creatures must to avoid being eaten.

Is size important? It determines almost everything about our animal neighbors.

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Horses gone wild, and other barnyard musings



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwidt

When my husband and I traveled to Mexico recently, I was thrilled to discover a veritable barnyard wandering the beach in front of our hotel.

Among the donkeys, goats and chickens, I observed that an occasional group of riders passed by on horse-

back. I determined to be one of them.

It took a bit of persuading to convince my tenderfoot husband, but the sheer force of my enthusiasm brought him around. We made arrangements with Jesus, a local equestrian, to rent two of his stables finest. He would bring the horses to our hotel the following day at 9 a.m.

"I'm ready," my husband declared the next morning, appearing on the balcony where I was finishing a cup of coffee. He was wearing a pair of shorts, a tee shirt and flip-flops.

"You might want to wear long pants," I suggested. "And a pair of shoes with a heel."

"I'm fine."

"But the stirrup leathers will pinch your bare legs and your feet will slip through the stirrups if you wear flip-

flops" I said, drawing upon my superior knowledge of all things equine.

"It's hot out there. I'm fine."

"Okay. But really, you should think about it. I'm wearing jeans and boots."

"And a halter-top. I'm pretty sure that a halter-top isn't considered riding gear."

"It's hot out there. I'm fine."

Jesus was waiting with our horses. He handed me the reins of a bay mare and directed my husband to a chestnut pony only marginally larger than a Great Dane, explaining that she was the best choice for an inexperienced rider. No doubt this was true. If things got dicey, the novice could bale out simply by standing up and letting the horse run out from under him.

What happened next is still blurry and mysterious to me, but my husband

returned in time to see the whole thing and his description is as believable as anything else.

As I sat on my horse in front of Jesus, I sensed a looming movement behind me and then felt a gentle scraping down my back. It felt exactly like big teeth. Suddenly, my flirty little halter-top, edged in a fluttering peplum, was covering my face. As my husband tells it, Diablo reared up, ran his nose down my back, gripped the zipper of my halter top in his teeth and ripped it clean out. An obliging breeze then wafted the unsecured remnant over my head, adding a "Ta-da!" flourish to what was certainly an already mind-numbing spectacle.

As I hastened to pull the unfortunate garment back into place, I was met by

the stricken looks from the group on the beach. Our languages may have been different, but their faces bore the universal expression for, "Oh, you poor thing." One of the older women crossed herself.

Feeling an obligation to lighten the mood, I addressed the crowd in my rudimentary Spanish. "Esta caballo es muy loco," I observed sagely, indicating the talented Diablo with my free elbow.

My husband bent to retrieve something from the sand.

"I am so glad that you talked me into this," he said as he handed me the spittle-flecked zipper. "I wouldn't have missed this for the world."

E-mail Christine Gwidt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

Also your fingers will turn yellow. Last you get a raspy voice. In fact, most people die from cancer. So if

you keep smoking it leads to cancer then it could lead to death.

Brandon Russell

Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

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LETTERS to the editor

A PEACH OF A PIE
Editor:

About a year ago I wrote a letter suggesting that the powers that be get rid of the largest cherry pie if people could not see it anymore.

Well I want to give a huge thank you to whom-ever did the wonderful job of clearing the shrubs and trees and shining things up and offering benches to sit upon.

Great job.
Peg Ostrum
Charlevoix

SAVE THE TREES
Editor:

Trying to save the trees from mutilation and disfigurement on Nettleton and Crouter Streets was much to my disappointment. However, knowing that my voice was heard, and the people on Dixon Street, now, at least, have an opportunity to choose whether or not they will pay to move the wires to protect these century old beauties has given me some degree of satisfaction. Is it really in our best interest of the future to destroy nature at its best in order to provide electricity to our homes, or in this day and age don't you think we can figure out a way to save both without

the people of Charlevoix bearing the brunt of the cost.

William C. Dreyer
Charlevoix

SMOKING KILLS
Editor:

"Hey do you want everybody to have cancer from smoking?"

First it will waste your money. You could be paying bills. Or, you could

buy some cool things like clothes, toys and needs.

You could do more activities because you would have money.

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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

NAVY SEAMAN RECRUIT RENEE E. DREW

Daughter of Rita M. and Terry L. Drew of Charlevoix, Mich., recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Drew completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a Sailor.

Drew is a 2007 graduate of Charlevoix High School of Charlevoix.

CONTINGENCY OPERATING BASE, BAGRA

Patrolling for potential indirect-fire sites around Contingency Operating Base Basra is one of Spc. Jeremy Dye's primary missions. It's perhaps sometimes a thankless role — an often unheralded job

entailing scouting out sites in the dead of night to ensure the safety of the base's inhabitants.

But for Dye and other members of the 1st Battalion, 377th Field Artillery, 17th Fires Brigade, it's not a medal or even thanks they seek, but satisfaction that their efforts do make a difference.

Dye recalls one experience

"We were out doing our regular indirect fire patrol when the call came in that the COB was taking incoming fire," the Bravo Battery "Bulldogs" Soldier said. "After making immediate communication with the Iraqi security forces and linking up with their troops in the area, we headed for the scene."

Dye said once they arrived, the Iraqi security force took control in assessing the situation as his unit provided security.

"They then called in an explosive ordnance disposal team to completely clear the scene," he said. "After the scene had been declared clear by the EOD, we proceeded with the ISF into the towns to conduct site exploitation and tactical questioning. The citizens of the town were extremely cooperative and eager to assist us in capturing the people behind these attacks."

By exchanging valuable information with the ISF, Dye said they're ensuring both sides are fully aware of the possibility of any upcoming attacks.

"The primary reason for

these patrols is to stop the enemy from shooting rockets at the COB," said Staff Sgt. Keith W. Kurth, 3rd platoon sergeant and native of Corpus Christi, Texas. "By maintaining a presence in the area, this hinders insurgents from having the time and opportunity to set up potential attacks."

Bravo Battery 1st Sgt. Johnny L. Anthony said his command recognizes the Soldiers' dedication to their job, and personally feels fortunate to be able to lead such a highly motivated group.

"I couldn't ask for a better bunch of Soldiers," he said. "They work long hours and their job is not without its stress. However, they never balk at any task or anything asked of them in their duties. What they care about

is the mission first and foremost."

According to 1st Lt. Aaron Sulak, 3rd platoon leader and Boyne City, native, the Soldiers also care about the long-term effect of their job to pave the way for the ISF to gain complete sovereignty in the Iraq security mission.

"We're here to assist the Iraqi security forces and to help them define their skills and develop strategic tactics to better protect the citizens of Iraq," he said. "We're pulling security during these types of attacks, but it's the ISF that are leading the way, questioning the citizens for helpful information, pinpointing the location of the attacks and gathering the intelligence from the site to prevent future attacks."

Helen open

Ron Weislik (from left) the Helen Open Co-chair, Bruce Rulleyblank the Administrative Coordinator for Hospice of Northwest Michigan and Cheri Hoffman the Helen Open Co-chair are seen with the proceeds from this year's event. The event was held in Charlevoix on Aug. 16, with 90 Charlevoix golfers participating. This was the ninth annual event held in memory of Helen Weislik. The event has contributed approximately \$120,000 in its 9 year history.

COURTESY PHOTO

VFW/Auxiliary Essay contest

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1153 and its Ladies Auxiliary are sponsoring the annual Voice of Democracy audio scriptwriting contest, and the Patriot's Pen Youth essay contest.

The Voice of Democracy audio/essay contest is open to all students in grades nine through 12.

The Patriot's Pen essay contest is open to all students in grades six through eight.

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WEDDING announcement



Ciuk-Carney

Daniel and Nancy Ourada of Haymarket, VA are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Julia Ann Ciuk, to Logan Allen Carney, son of Loretta Carney and Blain and Christi Carney of Weatherford, Texas.

The wedding was held at Sandy Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii on Aug. 8, 2009 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Julia wore a full length white cotton gauze dress, with four bridesmaids in pastel sundresses.

The bouquets were golden sunflowers surrounded by yellow and white daisies and peach roses.

Logan and the groomsmen wore white shirts, khaki shorts, and sandals.

A beach reception followed at Hickam Air Force Base where traditional Hawaiian foods

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Get smart with the smartest library card

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, and the Charlevoix Public Library wants to make sure that everyone in Charlevoix has the smartest card of all — a library card.

Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

The Charlevoix Public Library will be hosting every 1st grader in the community at the library for a visit and to receive their first library card.

There's a lot happening at Charlevoix Public Library and the best part for both kids and parents is that it's all free with a library card.

Local businesses have joined together with the Charlevoix Public Library to help promote Library Card Sign-up Month by offering library card-holders a discount during the smartest card campaign: now through Oct. 4.

Use your Charlevoix Public Library card to receive a 20 percent discount on one item at participating businesses.

One discount per store only; discounts may vary slightly at each business.

The participating businesses include:

Aartvark Studio, Alcove Café, Barb's Hallmark, B.C. Pizza-Charlevoix, Central Drugs, Charlevoix Factory Outlet, Charlevoix Floral, Charlevoix Wear, Cherry Republic, Color Wear, elements, G & Papa's Pizzeria, Gallery 704, GetConnectedLLC.com, Halfway to the Top, Harbor View Café, Hearts to Holly, J. Phillips, Marvin's Gardens, Petals, Pine River Books, LLC, Revolution Bike, Round Lake Bookstore, Sadie & Jake's Gallery & Café, Simonsen's Bakery & Café, Taffy Barrel, The Treasure Chest, Woolly Bugger, W Wear.

For more information on how to sign up for a library card, visit the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St., call 547-2651 or visit the library online at www.charlevoixlibrary.org

What's happening at the Charlevoix Library...

September is Library Card Sign-up Month - Get yours today!

NEW in the Children's Department:

Every two weeks, a new craft will be available for anyone and everyone to make and then take home.

Teens: Do you love videos and want to make one of your own?

Check out the new Teen Lounge flip video - available at the circulation desk for one hour.

New Tech Toys @ Your Library

Wednesday, September 23, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Learn to use the new color scanner to scan photos, slides and film and see a demo of the library's new Kindle e-readers, pre-register at 237-7340

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura

Thursdays at 10:30 am
Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with and family

eBay Advanced Techniques

Thursday, September 24, 6:30 pm
Learn how to improve your listing by writing better descriptions and taking better photos. Kathy Ackerman, certified eBay Educational Specialist, will discuss setting prices, deciding if you should have a store and finding merchandise to sell.

Exhibit: Common Threads

September 9 - October 31
Enjoy this display of local textile artists, located in the Community Room Foyer

Do you know what the Smartest Card in your wallet is?

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OBITUARIES

Louisa "Marie" Roach: Feb. 15, 1917 - Sept. 19, 2009

Louisa "Marie" Roach, age 92, of Ithaca, MI died Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009 at Gratiot Medical Center in Alma.

Funeral Services will be held at noon on Wednesday Sept. 23 at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Ithaca Chapel.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Marie was born in Daytona Beach, Florida on Feb. 15, 1917, the daughter of Andrew Christian and Louisa Marie (Graunstedt) Hansen. She graduated from

Charlevoix High School and Central Michigan University. She was married to Clyde Julius Roach. He preceded her in death in March 1986.

She resided most of her life in the Alma/Ithaca area. She taught country school in the Ithaca/Breckenridge area. She also taught at Ithaca Public Schools, and Carrie Knause School in St. Louis, where she retired. She loved antiquing, walking the beach, going to auctions and flea markets, coin collecting, sudoku puzzles, and spending time with her grandchildren.

She spent her summers in

Charlevoix, MI.

She is survived by her four children Gary Roach of West Palm Beach, Fla., Susan Lalonde of Salem, Mass., Julie Roach of Los Angeles, Calif., Anell Roach and Tim Glowney of Ithaca, and daughter in law Karen Roach of West Palm Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren Gary and Rachel Roach Jr., Ryan and Vanessa Roach, Annette Lalonde, Jason Lalonde, Travis Glowney, Alysen Glowney, six great-grandchildren Jackie Roach, James Greene, Kylie Roach, Tyler Roach, Dylan Roach, Samantha Roach, and a sis-

ter Esther and Tom Carey of Charlevoix.

She is also survived by lifelong friends Rosemary and Red Ingalls.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brothers Ed, Bill, and Andrew Hansen.

Memorials may be made to Thompson Memorial Library in Ithaca or Charity of the Donor's Choice.

Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes Ithaca Chapel Ithaca, Michigan.

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Divorce recovery support

Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix offers DivorceCare recovery support group program which is a free, non-denominational program for everyone.

You can find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce.

You don't have to go through it alone. DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences.

Don't go through separation or divorce alone. Most people will tell you that separation and divorce are

the most painful and stressful experiences they've ever faced.

It's a confusing time when you feel isolated and have lots of questions about issues you've never faced before.

Our DivorceCare group meets weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life.

The DivorceCare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help.

You'll gain access to valuable DivorceCare resources

to help you deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your life. DivorceCare is available for kids too.

During the first 30 to 40 minutes of the meeting, each DivorceCare group watches a video seminar featuring experts on divorce and recovery subjects. These videos are produced in an interesting way to watch television, a magazine format featuring expert interviews, real-life case studies and on-location video.

After viewing the video, DivorceCare group participants spend time as a sup-

port group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in the lives of group members.

Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix DivorceCare recovery support group meets on Thursday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for 13 weeks and you can join at any time. Meetings are held at the Servants Quarters at 100 Oak St. located next door to the Community Reformed Church, one mile north of the bridge.

A light dinner is provided. For further information, call (231) 675-1925.

Fight cancer while drinking beer

There will be a fundraiser on Friday Sept. 25, at the Villager Pub for prostate cancer awareness.

September is National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and the "Pints for Prostates" campaign will salute survivors of the disease at events taking place across the country, including the Villager Pub in Charlevoix.

The Villager Pub will donate 50 percent of proceeds from draft beer sales on Sept. 25 to the U.S. TOO International Prostate Cancer Education & Support Network.

"We're grateful to the Villager Pub for hosting Pints for Prostates. Events like this help us reach men in a friendly and non-threatening way when they may be

willing to listen to a message about prostate health screening and PSA testing," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, MPH, Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, which is sponsoring the local event.

"4,000 men are diagnosed each week with prostate cancer."

"The key for these men is

detecting the disease in the early stages when treatment is nearly 100 percent successful," said Meyerson. "All men should start getting screened for prostate cancer when they reach 40 years old."

For more information about "Pints for Prostates," contact Erika VanDam, Supervisor for Family & Community Health at 347-6014.

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Church Office 547-4372

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Camp Daggett Adventure Staff are seen setting up the Eco-Challenge Course. Pictured are (from left) Laurie Ford, Lee Barrett, Laurie McMurray, Karen Marretti.

Daggett readies for Eco-Challenge event

Eleven local teams have registered to compete in the three-hour Eco-Challenge that is scheduled to take place Sept. 20 at the Camp Daggett Adventure Center.

The participating teams are comprised of friends, co-workers and a local church group.

The 11 team captains are Jay Balasz from Petoskey, Margaret Bowers from Northern Michigan Sports Medicine, Jennifer Brogger, sponsored by Jack Hodge from the Irish Boat Shop, Sally Cannon of Cardiac and Vascular Research of Northern Michigan said, "It's a great way to support Camp Daggett Adventure Center as well as bringing our office together in a way that will help us to stretch, grow and bond."

Traditionally, eco challenges are grueling non-stop races ranging in length from three to five hours to six days that require teamwork while navigating an unmarked course through the wilderness.

"We took this concept and made it 'light' said Joyce Riordan, Adventure Staff member and Chairperson for this event.

"I'm looking forward to my very first Eco-Challenge. I will tell all my 'out of the area' friends that I have participated in a grueling eco-challenge. They'll be so impressed," said David Jones.

The teams are made up of six members each, a mix of both men and women.

Camp Daggett's outdoor course along Walloon Lake is designed so people with various physical abilities can participate.

We want to emphasize that beyond testing the individual physical skills and limits of the teams, the Eco-Challenge builds character, teamwork, and exposes them to our unique outdoor and indoor climbing facilities and the outstanding pro-

gram we offer," said Riordan.

The Camp Daggett Adventure Center has been a popular destination for area school groups, sports teams and adult corporate groups all looking for fun and teambuilding since 2002.

The enthusiasm is building for this weekend's challenge.

Carole Griffin said, "What a great way to feel like a kid again. I love Camp Daggett."

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Laurie Ford, a staff member at Camp Daggett Adventure Center is seen setting up the challenge course while doing some yoga on the beam.

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SEPT

More than 10 teams to compete in eco-challenge

CHALLENGE
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I was a camper there when I was a young girl and made friends that I still connect with after almost 40 years.

My daughters when they were younger, found a new comfort zone hiking for a

week in the Wilderness Program with leader Brent Marlatt.

Years ago I became a staff facilitator at the Adventure Center and experienced first hand how committed and wonderful the staff and the Adventure Program really is.

The Eco-Challenge is just simply another way to get the adults to play like kids again while enjoying the natural beauty that surrounds us ... and we get to support a worthy cause. It doesn't get better than that."

The Camp Daggett Eco-

Challenge is a fundraiser for the programs of the adventure center.

In addition to each individual challenge, the teams are competing for the top award, the Eco-Challenge Team Fund Raising Award.

Team members have been collecting pledges and dona-

tions in support of the adventure center programs in order to participate in the event.

"Our goal to raise \$5,000 is very obtainable and if enthusiasm alone is an indicator of success, I have no doubt that it will be reached" said Riordan.

If you are interested in forming a team for the Eco-Challenge or would like more information, please contact the Camp Daggett Adventure Center Director, Karen Marietti, at 231-347-9742 extension 117 and visit the new Web site at CDAC-teambuilders.com.



COURTESY PHOTO

Lee Barrett, a Student Intern from Central Michigan University is seen setting up the challenge course at Camp Daggett Adventure Center and having some fun hanging upside down.



Joyce Riordan of the Adventure Staff for Camp Daggett Adventure Center and Chairperson for the upcoming eco-challenge gets ready to work on the course.

COURTESY PHOTO

Out of Africa; local lady works with 10,000 girls

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Charlevoix resident and recent Colorado College graduate, Michelle Fritsch is back from the volunteer mission of a lifetime.

The recipient of a prestigious grant through Colorado College, Fritsch spent the last two months volunteering for the not-for-profit educational organization, 10,000 Girls in Kaolack, Senegal, West Africa.

"There is so much that happens when you're abroad for two months," Fritsch said. "Overall, I was looking for an adventure and I was looking to meet some awesome people, and that's exactly what happened ... I'm really happy."

A French studies and Francophile major, Michelle is fluent in French.

Having spent time in France as a student, Michelle elected to dedicate the focus of her grant studies in a French speaking nation outside the European Union — ultimately choosing the remote Francophone nation of Senegal on the western coast of Africa.

Inspired by an episode of CNN Hero's highlighting the organization and its founder, Viola Vaughn, Fritsch packed her bags and left for Africa in late July.

She spent the majority of the summer living with a host family and teaching English to a group of eager and enthusiastic Senegalese young women.

Started by Detroit native, Viola Vaughn, the 10,000 Girls' mission is to provide educational and employment opportunities for 10,000 Senegalese young women.

Founded in 2001, the organization has received regional and national attention and attracts volunteers from across the globe.

As Fritsch describes, 10,000 Girls is divided into two interdependent components: Education and entrepreneurship. The education side of the organization focuses on helping young school-aged girls get the most out of their education.

Unlike America, Fritsch explains, in Senegal, when a girl reaches the age in which she is capable of helping in the home, she is discouraged from her studies and often drops out of school completely.

In an effort to combat the growing problem, 10,000 Girls offers educational support and supplies free of charge to any interested and willing young female.

The entrepreneurship side, on the other hand, helps young women obtain the skills necessary to provide a

living and make something of themselves.

"We take girls who have already failed in school," Vaughn said. "They learn how to perfect a skill ... to produce products for export."

She added, "half of the funds go back to [the girls], the other remainder goes back to the education program."

Essentially, the business division of the organization, along with some private, mostly American, financial support, funds the education division.

Aided in their study efforts by three simple things: time, a place to study and the tools necessary to perform those studies, the 10,000 Girls program has a 68 percent success rate for progression to the next grade in school — nearly 3 times the national average.

Furthermore, in contrast to the 53 percent dropout rate for Kaolack, the 10,000 Girls program has consistently maintained a less than two percent failure rate.

Nearly 1,500 girls are involved in the 10,000 Girls program in 6 locations. Over 1,000 girls are waiting to join.

Fluent in both French and English, Michelle spent a great deal of her time abroad teaching 10,000 Girls students English.

"I was working with a particular student," Fritsch said. "We would work three hours a morning."

As a result of Michelle's tutoring, the young girl passed an English test earning her acceptance into the International High School in Dakar — quite a big deal for a young African girl. "I would help her tweak her English skills," Fritsch said. "To the point where she was more comfortable taking this test."

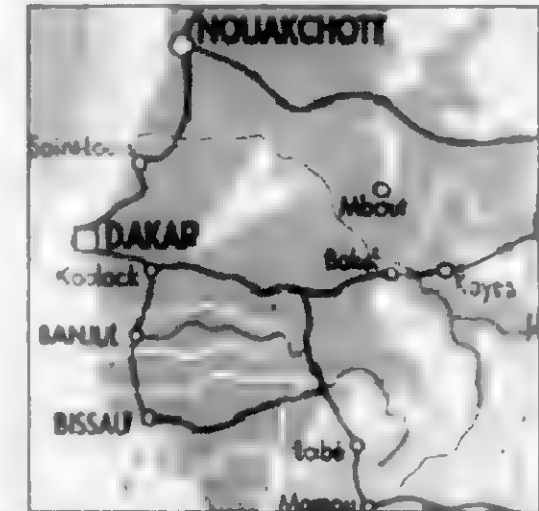
Despite a malaria scare, Michelle categorizes her trip as one of the best experiences of her life.

Just a few weeks into her trip and despite taking every known precaution, Michelle caught malaria and was admitted to an African hospital.

"It was really horrible," Fritsch said. "I ended up going to a small private clinic, but by any means, nothing by our standards here."

After four nights in the remote African hospital, periods of paranoia, which is a common side-effect of the drugs most often used to treat malaria, and little human interaction, Michelle was released, fully treated and well on the mend.

For more information about 10,000 Girls visit www.10000girls.org.



Statistics on 10,000

The 10,000 Girls program started in 2001 when four girls, ages 10 to 12, approached Viola Vaughn for help with their schoolwork.

In just five years, the 10,000 Girls Educational program has gone from 20 to 1442 participants.

The 10,000 Girls program has 1,467 girls as participants.

The number of high school children eligible for school from 15 to 19 is 44,760 girls. However, 1,804 girls are enrolled — that is a nearly four percent enrollment rate.

Join 'Beautiful' people for Bids for Blooms fundraiser

In a continued effort to "keep Charlevoix beautiful", Keep Charlevoix Beautiful will host the fourth annual Bids for Blooms fundraiser from 6 p.m. to midnight on Sept. 26 at the Belvedere Casino.

All proceeds will benefit Operation Petunia, the annual May event which results in nearly 30,000 petunias lining both sides of over five miles of Bridge Street in Charlevoix.

Affectionately known as the

"Petunia Ball" the evening will include food from local restaurants, a silent auction and live entertainment.

Local band, Yankee Station will play seasoned favorites from classic oldies to modern rock and complimentary hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served with a cash bar also available.

Dance the night away with dinner, music and more. Tickets are \$30 per person and available at the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce, Picture This and from Keep Charlevoix Beautiful board members.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information visit www.KeepCharlevoixBeautiful.org.

The petunia project began in 1982 with a "wild idea" from Charlevoix resident and Keep Charlevoix Beautiful board member, Dale Boss as he shared his vision of petunias lining the road way of Charlevoix from city limit

to city limit.

The idea took hold and financing for the original project quickly fell into place.

Dale's wife, Marilyn custom designed a license plate which read, "We love Charlevoix the Beautiful, Michigan's resort city on three lakes - come enjoy it with us." High school students sold the plates door to door raising over \$3,500 in under three hours.

Six hundred flats of petunias

were ordered and Dale Boss's dream came to fruition.

Now, over thirty years and thousands of dollars later, Operation Petunia exists as we know it today.

Thanks to generous community support, in 2001 Keep Charlevoix Beautiful was able to purchase a state-of-the-art watering truck. Capable of holding 12,000 gallons of water for daily delivery to the thirsty plants, the new equipment transformed what used to

take Dale, Marilyn, a flat-bed truck and two livestock tanks into a relatively simple and uncomplicated operation.

The new truck also frequents local parades across the state to present Miss Charlevoix and her court on their 37 foot float. According to Nancy Kline, Vice President and spokeswoman for Keep Charlevoix Beautiful, over 2.5 million people see the truck and float each year — further promoting Charlevoix the Beautiful.

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LETTERS to the editor

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BUILD AN ARCADE

I feel we need an arcade downtown. One reason is that it would keep kids out of trouble. It would give kids something to do instead of

loitering. It would give a place where kids can socialize and meet other kids.

Also, it will be good for our town's economy. It would bring people from other towns and they will spend money downtown. People will walk downtown and spend money on other businesses too.

Finally, it would provide family fun. There would be games for all ages. Plus it would provide something to do on a rainy day.

Those are the reasons why I think that we need an arcade downtown. Parker Skeel
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

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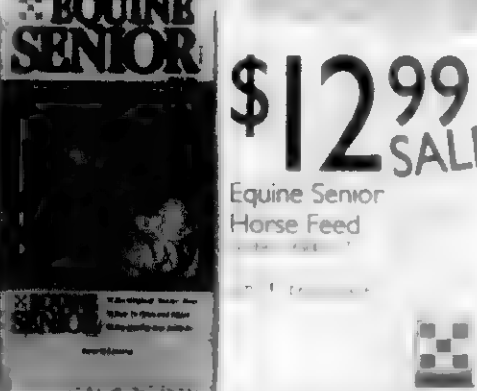
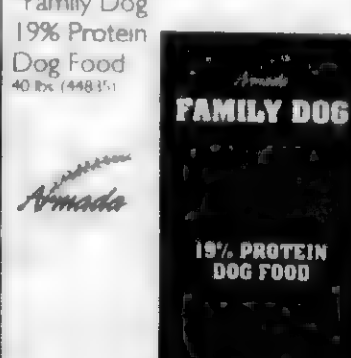


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Alex Sweeney, 3, of Petoskey, tries his hand at the pretzel toss during the 2nd Annual Charlevoix Oktoberfest.



Emily Zabawa, 11 (left) and her friend Quincy Greene, 11, were caught selling popcorn for St. Mary School's basketball team during Oktoberfest on Saturday Sept. 19.



Commodore of the Boyne City Yacht Club Kurt Witzke raises his mug of beer during the 2nd Annual Oktoberfest. Members of the yacht club made the Oktoberfest a club event to participate in.



**MORE
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**PHOTOS BY
BENJAMIN GOHS**

The arena was packed for the weiner dog show and races during this year's Oktoberfest. Here the Grinch Who Stole Christmas (left) vies for best costume.



Brandl the Dachshund (right) makes a mad dash for the finish line during the weiner dog races at Oktoberfest in downtown Charlevoix's East Park.



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SPORTS reviewing the action



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Michael Berry #34 and Colby Herriman #89 of Charlevoix (top right) put a stop to St. Francis running back #44 Max Bullock in the second quarter of TCSF 64-0 win. Then, with two minutes left in the first quarter, quarterback Clayton Mitchell of Charlevoix (lower left) gets trapped in the endzone by Ian Sheldon of St. Francis for a two point safety with this incomplete pass. And, Clayton Mitchell #12 and Chris Levens #78 of Charlevoix try to move ahead against a very tough St. Francis defense in the first quarter (top left).



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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders cross country win 'House'

Rayders win 'House' Eric Buday of Charlevoix won the Class B-C boys' race to a first-place finish at the House on the Hill Invitational Saturday.

The Charlevoix boys finished with 35 points, while Harbor Springs was second with 44, followed by Suttons Bay, 82; Roscommon, 85; Elk Rapids, 119; Traverse City St. Francis, 170; Mancelona, 177; and Inland Lakes, 212.

The Class B-C girls' results were not available.

In Class D, Ellsworth won the boys' race with 71 points, while North Country Trails Homeschool was second, 85; followed by Central Lake, 94; Boyne Falls, 100; Cedarville, 125; Gaylord St. Mary, 129; Mackinaw City, 131; Alba, 162; Pickford, 206; and Johannesburg-Lewiston, 275.

Boyne Falls won the Class D girls' race with 61 points, followed by Johannesburg-Lewiston, 82; Ellsworth, 85; Wolverine, 99; Pickford, 107; North Country Trails Homeschool, 142; Cedar-

ville, 149; Mackinaw City, 166; and Alba, 173.

Buday finished in 16 minutes, 29 seconds, while Wolverine's Jeremy Egas won the Class D boys' race in 16:48. Emily Cwekel of Belaire won the Class D girls' race in 19:45.

Area top 25 finishers in the Class B-C boys' race: 3-Kirk Acharya, Charlevoix; 4-Andrew Plude, Charlevoix; 6-Nick Cooper, Harbor Springs; 8-Nate Schiefer, Harbor Springs; 9-Michael Sutton, Harbor Springs; 10-Ben Kloss, Harbor Springs;

11-Connor Buntia, Harbor Springs; 12-Alex Gooch, Charlevoix; 15-Luke Hawley, East Jordan; 16-Will Jeake, Charlevoix; 20-Zeek Beek, Boyne City; 21-Neil Salisbury, Charlevoix; 23-Doug Reynolds, Charlevoix.

Area top 20 finishers in the Class D girls' race: 2-Alyssa Oram, North Trails; 3-Kaylee Wilson, Boyne Falls; 4-Erica Westbrock, Boyne Falls; 6-Ajae Whitaker, Wolverine; 7-Olivia Certa, Ellsworth; 8-Jenelle Roberts, Boyne Falls; 11-Kathryn Miller, Boyne Falls; 15-Heather Rogers,

Wolverine; 17-Jordan La Mothe, Wolverine; 20-Lindsay Fisher, Ellsworth; 21-Kristina Heilman, Mackinaw City; 23-Emma Velis, Mackinaw City; 24-Taylor Hartley, Ellsworth; 25-Tara Essenberg, Ellsworth.

The Inland Lakes girls placed fifth in the Class B-C race, while the Bulldog boys were eighth. Emilie Hungerford was 14th to lead the Inland Lakes girls, while Hannah Passino was 25th. Josh Passino led the Inland Lakes boys as he was 43rd.



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GAME ON

10 Celtic warriors gathered on America's Emerald Isle this past Saturday for the 5th annual Celtic Games, a mini-olympic-style contest made up of various strong-man events, including the hammer throw, weight throw, sheaf toss, stone put, and the crowd-pleasing caber toss. Here overall winner Dale Gehman of Gaylord tosses the 56-lb weight.



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SENDING IT

Jeremy McBain lets loose with the hammer during the 5th annual Celtic games on Beaver Island Sept. 19. McBain has been the athletic director of this event since its inception but is stepping down from that role after this year's competition.

SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder boys' tennis



The 2009 Charlevoix High School boys' varsity tennis team is comprised of front (from left) Jon Saur, Jake Lemanski, Joe Filipiak, Matt Murray, Dylan Putman, Logan Kline; back, manager Gunnar Lundteigen, Austin Lobenherz, Treni Bradley, Blake Schulman, Ben Way and coach Erik Lundteigen.

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Rayder boys' soccer

The 2009 Charlevoix High School boys' soccer team. Team members are front (from left) Eric Tripplehorn, Nick Brandl, Matt Batdorf; middle, Thomas Rich, Justin Erskin, Trevor Currier, Matthew Klooster, Noah Matchett, Jacob Doskoc; back, John Shea, William Larsen, Wyatt Drost, Boog Nitchman, Ty Wilhelm, Wade Werth, Ben Myers, Ty Jones, coach Josh Block. Not pictured, Ryan Wimmer.

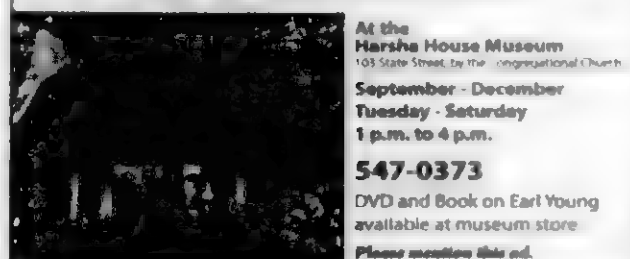


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SPORTS reviewing the action

Prep volleyball: Hornets win third tournament of the season

Make it three tournament wins for the Pellston High School volleyball team.

Pellston overcame an early pool play loss to win the Charlevoix Invitational on Saturday.

Pellston defeated Traverse City St. Francis — avenging a pool-play loss — 16-21, 21-7, 15-5 in the championship match.

The Hornets, 25-4-4, fell to the Gladiators, 21-14, 21-14, but then dropped just two games the rest of the day.

"When we lost the first game (in the final) we talked about the simple things of the game and got refocused and played with tremendous team effort to finish strong," Pellston coach Tim McNitt said. After the St. Francis loss, Pellston defeated Rudyard, 21-7, 21-9; defeated Elk Rapids, 23-21, 21-13; and beat East Jordan, 21-16, 21-16, to close pool play. Pellston then defeated Harbor Springs, 21-17, 21-

14 in the quarterfinals before topping Ellsworth, 17-21, 21-3, 15-9, in the semifinals.

Pellston's Katie Dzedzie and Maggie Mikus were named to the six-player all-tournament team. Dzedzie had a career-high 80 kills, 36 digs, nine aces, while Mikus added 19 aces, five kills and 21 digs.

"On the day Maggie showed great leadership as she slowed down numerous strong middles throughout the day," McNitt said.

Also for Pellston, Taylor Friend added a career-best 64 digs, 49 kills and eight aces; Rachel Hutton had 31 digs, 20 kills; Chelsea Bonter collected 70 assists and 47 digs; Samantha McNitt added 54 assists, 38 digs; Kaloe Smith had 11 assists, 10 digs.

— Charlevoix finished tied for third with Ellsworth as the Rayders finished 4-2 on the day. The Rayders opened with a 21-19, 21-17 loss to Ellsworth, then defeated Inland

Lakes, 21-10, 21-12; defeated Harbor Springs, 21-19; 21-12; and beat Harbor Light Christian, 21-11, 21-8.

Charlevoix defeated Elk Rapids, 21-12, 21-13, in the quarterfinals before falling to T.C. St. Francis, 21-12, 9-21, 14-16 in the semifinals.

"We did pretty well with a little different lineup," Charlevoix coach Liz Grunch said. "We were missing a senior starter, but we played pretty well and there were a lot of good things that happened."

Charlevoix's Sarah Potter had 17 kills and 32 digs and earned a spot on the all-tournament team.

Also for the Rayders, 18-11-1, Jenna Way had 54 assists, 20 kills and 38 digs; Taylor Storm had 69 digs, 10 kills; Katie Mays added 32 kills and 19 digs; Kelly Greyerbiehl had 38 digs; Allison Hankins had 19 kills, seven blocks; and Isis Hang

added 28 digs.

— Ellsworth finished 2-1-2, sharing third place with the Rayders.

The Lancers opened with a 21-19, 21-17 victory over Charlevoix, then split with Harbor Light, 23-21, 19-21; defeated Inland Lakes, 21-11, 21-16; and split with Harbor Springs, 17-21, 21-16. Ellsworth then fell to Pellston in bracket play, 17-21, 21-13, 15-9.

Jaylin Ingalls paced the Lancers with 60 digs, 35 kills, 10 blocks and nine aces, while Sarah Kearney added 68 assists, 19 digs, six kills and four aces. Ingalls was named to the all-tournament team.

Haley Drenth added 29 digs, 12 aces; Savanna Karhoff added 37 digs, six aces; Emily Blaney had 41 digs, 15 aces, seven kills; Emily Veenstra collected 12 kills, six digs; Jordan Higbee had 19 digs, five aces.

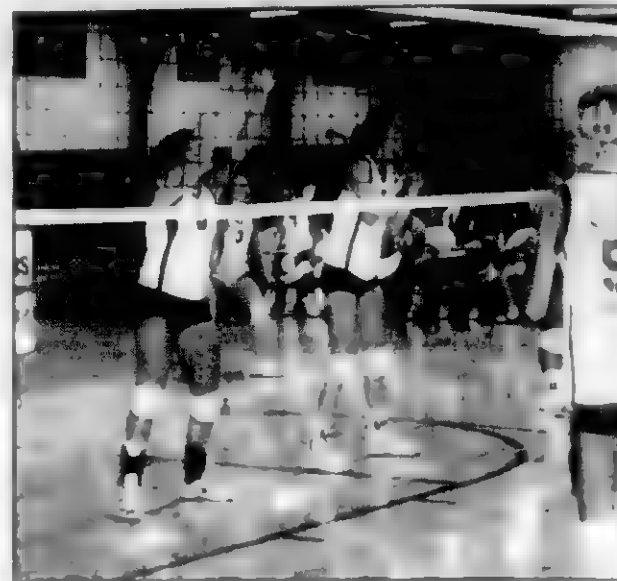


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Mack' center lauds Norwood for fiscal transparency

Separated by hundreds of miles and of vastly different sizes, a tiny township north of Lake Charlevoix, a large metro Detroit school district and a smaller school district in the Thumb area all have something in common:

They are the latest public entities to "Show Michigan the Money" and put their checkbooks online for taxpayer inspection. Norwood Township, Romulus Community Schools and Marlette Community Schools join a growing list of local governments and school districts embracing this fast-growing transparency trend, according to Ken Braun, director of the Mackinac Center's "Show Michigan the Money" project.

Braun has been encouraging all 551 public school districts and every municipality in Michigan to regularly provide this data on their Web

sites and predicts that many more will be added within the next couple of weeks.

Norwood joins several other towns in posting its spending data and, with just 714 residents, may be the smallest Michigan community yet to provide this information in such an accessible format.

"Having politicians in a small community like Norwood get this done is just another reminder that it's the size of a public official's principles, not the size of the community's treasury, that brings about a spirit of open government," said Braun.

With the addition of Marlette and Romulus, there are now 48 public school districts and one intermediate school district statewide providing this information on the Internet, including half of the largest 20 districts. Nearly one in five public school students now attend a district that has an online check register. Links to all 48 district checkbook registers are available at www.showmichigan-themoney.org/9329.

"Romulus Community Schools believes that it is a fiscally responsible district, and being transparent only solidifies this belief," said Sherri Papazoglou, the district's director of business and operations. "We have a very supportive community and feel that this project is a great way to show [them] that their kids come first when spending their resources."

Marlette Superintendent Duane Lange echoed that sentiment. "The Marlette Schools check register is a public document that is approved at our public school board meeting, so if there is a request to have the document posted on our Web site we are

more than willing to honor that request," Lange said.

While there are now checkbooks online for 15 school districts in Oakland County, 10 in Wayne County, four in Macomb County, two in Livingston County and one in Monroe County, Braun said that districts in the Grand Rapids area have been conspicuously guarded about their spending details.

"We have been diligently contacting school districts in Kent and Ottawa counties about joining the 21st century by using the Internet to keep taxpayers and parents informed," said Braun.

"Unfortunately, unlike the eager and open response we've received from many districts in Southeast Michigan, transparency is encountering more resistance in districts on the other side of the state."



FILE PHOTO

Members of the Norwood Township Board of Trustees are seen in this undated file photo conducting business. Norwood Township was recently lauded by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy for transparency in finances for posting their budgets and other financial information online.

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IN PURSUANCE AND BY VIRTUE OF A Judgment of the Circuit Court of the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, made and entered on February 27, 2009, Independent Mortgage Company, A Michigan Banking Corporation in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Independent Mortgage Company, A Michigan Banking Corporation was the Plaintiff and George R. Hanor and Kristine L. Hanor, husband and wife were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for Charlevoix County, on the 9th day of October, A.D., 2009, at 11:00:00 AM o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, to-wit:

All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Hayes, County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, State of Michigan
UNIT 17, STONEBRIDGE CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED AS RECORDED IN LIBER 369, PAGES 782 THROUGH 829, INCLUSIVE, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND AMENDED BY THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 383, PAGES 305 THROUGH 312, INCLUSIVE AND SECOND AMENDMENT IN LIBER 413, PAGE 343, AND THIRD AMENDMENT IN LIBER 625, PAGE 813, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CONDOMINIUM PLAN NO. 87, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

This property may be redeemed during the 90 days following the sale.

Dated: August 26, 2009

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Charlevoix County Sheriff
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John E. Melton (P-56294)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2155 Butterfield Drive
Suite 200
Troy, MI 48064/WWR#10016073
(8/26/09/2/9/9/16/9/23/9/30/10/07)

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The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at 1-800-451-1111 at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432.

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2100 LEGAL NOTICES**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas Jay Kew, unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 13, 2006, and recorded on September 20, 2006 in Liber 766 on Page 770, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-One And 56/100 Dollars (\$133,861.56), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the state in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 2, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 51 of Upright and Hurlbut's Addition to the Village (now city) of Charlevoix, according to the Plat recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Charlevoix County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 2, 2009

For more information, please call FCH (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File # 276499F01

(L-9/02,9/9/16,9/23)

NOTICE PURSUANT**TO MCL 600.3205a(4)**

NOTICE is hereby provided to Dor Groh and Vicki J. Groh, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 2180 Center St. Boyne Falls, MI 49713-9606.

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Get your bargain on. Check out the classifieds.

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If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: September 23, 2009

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File # 285056F01

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NOTICE is hereby provided to James Reighard and Theresa Reighard, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 05303 Kuzmick Rd, Elmira, MI 49730-9519.

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You know you want it. Find it here.

2100 LEGAL NOTICES**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX****NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate**

FILE NO. 09-011399-DE

Estate of Frederick Russell Riggs (a/k/a Rusty Riggs), Dec. Date of birth: 8/29/1956
TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Frederick Russell Riggs (a/k/a Rusty Riggs), who lived at 500 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, Michigan died 7/18/2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Bruce Riggs, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 9/16/2009
Robert L. Hoffman (P15046)
103 Belvedere Avenue
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-9941

Bruce Riggs
1040 Spaulding, SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
(616) 942-9898
(L-9/23)

Wednesday, September 23, 2009



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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

ONGOING EVENTS:**Jeep Club**

Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbennett@foxmotors.com. There is no cost to join.

Bridge

Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday through the end of the year. The side of five door facing the bank will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Call 547-0373 for info.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurlbut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Charlevoix Skatepark

Open noon to dusk, weekends only beginning Saturday, Sept. 12.

Helmets are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmets are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every

month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires

Native Talking Circle meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Elks Club 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Historical society

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day week-

end. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

SOS food bank

Donate nonperishable food items now through Dec. 11 at any Michigan Secretary of State office.

The canned meats, dry beans, soups, pasta, peanut butter, tuna and like items will go to hungry families through the Food Bank Council of Michigan it re-

gional food banks.

Donations may also be made online to Harvest Gathering's "Fill Michigan's Fridge" food drive at www.feedmichigan.org.

Library events

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

CCA

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

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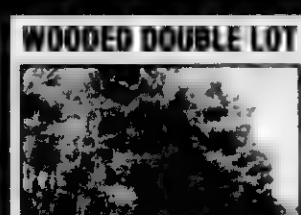
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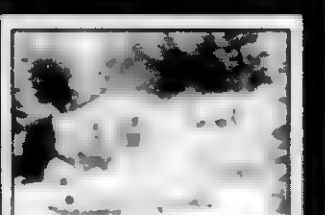
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STEPS

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

Blood drives

8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. on Sept. 29 - Boyne Falls School 01662 M-75 South

Tai Chi

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m. Five more sessions meet Sept. 16, 23 and Oct. 7, 14 and 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McCloy at 231-582-7689 or e-mail megpots@sbcglobal.net.

Now through Nov. 11

Computer classes
Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Beginner Boot Camp allows new computer users a chance to learn new techniques and ask questions. E-mail Basics, will be held 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 and Internet Tricks 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21.

Come learn how to use the library's new technology, including a color scanner and a Kindle, at the New Tech Toys class, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 23.

Then in October, Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St. Register by calling 237-7340.

Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

Now through Oct. 31

Common Threads

A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. "Common Threads," is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer through Oct. 31.

Then from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 16, the artists will gather together to discuss their group and answer questions about their process.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Sept. 22, 24

eBay class
At 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 22 and 24 at the library there will be a class on how to use eBay.

Selling and buying "stuff" has become big business. eBay has become not just a hobby or way to find a bargain; it has become its own industry.

People buy inexpensive merchandise all around town and then sell it on eBay for a profit.

To assist people in becoming more comfortable with this avenue, the Charlevoix Public Library is offering two classes, free of charge, for the general public.

Kathy Ackerman, a certified eBay Educational Specialist, will be teaching the two classes at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. Registration is required, so call soon: 237-7340. For more information about this or other computer classes at the library, visit them at: www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Sept. 24

American Red Cross blood drives

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Sept. 24 - Charlevoix at Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

Sept. 24 through Oct. 15

Aqua fitness
All middle school and high school girls are invited to participate in Aqua Fitness at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Swimmers will participate in a variety of aqua fitness activities including aqua exercise, water polo, water

basketball, water volleyball and lots more.

Contact the pool for additional information 547-0982. 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. the middle school-aged girls and 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. the high school-aged girls will have classes Thursdays from Sept. 24 through Oct. 15. Classes are \$1 each.

Sept. 26

Alba well fundraiser

The Green Lantern Bar in Alba will host a fundraiser for the "Stop the Alba Injection Well Legal Action Fund" from noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 26.

The Green Lantern Bar is located at 3958 South US 131 in Alba.

The Green Lantern is famous for great homemade food, fun and Pie in the Face Events.

The fun starts at noon with the delicious Green Lantern menu of burgers and homemade lunch selections and continues on through dinner to 9 p.m.

At 7 p.m., the Pie in the Face Event begins. The Friends of the Jordan River and POWER invite the public to attend this 5-Star Community Leadership Event to benefit the "Stop the Alba Well Legal Action Fund."

Call the Green Lantern at 585-2800 or Friends of the Jordan at 547 4820.

Casino Nite

The Charlevoix Yacht Club is hosting their annual Casino Nite at 7 p.m. on Sept. 26 at the Yacht Club located at 209 Ferry Ave. Black jack, roulette, craps and more games are on tap. Tickets are \$10 each which includes casino money and hors d'oeuvres. There is a cash bar.

Use your winnings to bid for prizes in the auction which follows at 10 p.m.

Get your tickets by calling 547-9170 or visit www.charlevoixyachtclub.org.

Bids for Blooms

From 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 26 at the Belvedere Casino. Dinner, cash bar, dancing to music by Yankee Station. Tickets are \$30 at Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce, Picture This or Keep Charlevoix Beautiful members. Call Nancy Kline at 547-4808 for more information.

Leukemia Walk

Registration for the Children's Leukemia Foundation

is holding "The Walk" is at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26, in the Historic Bayview Resort Community, Petoskey.

The Walk is at 10 a.m. and registration fee is \$20. The Walk 2009 is right around the corner. Recruit a team, create a name and register. You can even set up a personalized fundraising page where friends and family members can support you and The Walk by making credit card pledges.

Each registered participant who raises \$100 or more will be eligible for an official 2009 The Walk T-shirt and prizes. Your \$20 registration fee will go toward the \$100.

Register online at www.leukemiamichigan.org, or call (800) 825-2536. On-site registration will also be available. Lunch will be available to all participants immediately following the walk.

Sept. 28

Charlevoix Stingrays
The Charlevoix Stingrays Swim Team will be hosting a Stingrays Swim Team Family Picnic and Parent Information Night which will begin at 6 p.m. with the information meeting to follow on Monday, Sept. 28, at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Families are asked to bring a side dish to pass.

The Coaches will provide the BBQ items. Fun games, activities and swimming will be a part of this great family night.

New swimmers are welcome to find out how fun it is to be a part of the Stingray Family. Meet the coaches, arrange car pools and see what the Stingrays are all about.

Call 547-0982 for more information.

Sept. 29

Sea Scouts meet
A organizational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday Sept. 29, at Mt. McSaubia Ski Lodge. Area youth are invited to attend and to find out about this exciting program.

Sea Scouts are open to all boys and girls ages 14 to 21. We are seeking new members.

Please contact Scott Stebe at 675-4505 for additional information.

Sept. 30

How to start a business
Thinking About Starting Your Own Business? A great

place to begin is at the "How To Start a Business Class," being held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 30, at the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan. The session, presented by Wendy Wieland, NLEA/SBTDC Business Consultant will acquaint participants with the process and the tools needed to begin developing a new business. Sessions are held monthly.

The class fee is \$20 and registration is required. Please contact Sara at NLEA, (231) 582-6482 or e-mail sara@northernlakes.net.

Oct. 3

Driggers hike
At 10 a.m. on Oct. 3 there will be a hike at the Barry Driggers Preserve. Ty Ratliff, land protection specialist for the Conservancy, will be leading a one-hour hike at this property situated between Charlevoix and Boyne City. This past summer, recent improvements made the trails even more enjoyable, making this a property to explore. Hiking difficulty will be moderate, with some smaller hills. Call to pre-register at 347-0991.

Oct. 4

Fungi and fermentation
A fungi and fermentation skill swap is from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center as we explore the wide world of fungi and fermentation.

Anyone with an interest in local foods; wild-crafting; food preservation; or tasty, healthful meals will greatly benefit from the workshops offered here.

Experienced teachers will present an array of topics, including wild mushroom hikes, mushroom dyeing, mushroom paper, cheese making, vegetable fermentation, meat making, and much more.

The Fungi and Fermentation Skill Swap will be held at the Wagbo Farm, located three miles south of East Jordan at 5745 North M-66.

Cost is \$20 for pre-registration by Friday, Sept. 25, or \$25 at the door. Go to www.ARTmeetsEARTH.org or contact Yvonne at (231) 480-4515 or info@ARTmeetsEARTH.org.

Oct. 7

Wellness Wednesday
From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 7 in the Charlevoix

Area Hospital's Solarium

Charlevoix Area Hospital is offering "Wellness Wednesday" walk-in health screenings on the first Wednesday of each month.

The health screen includes: Cholesterol and blood sugar levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, blood pressure, and a pulse reading.

The screen now includes a body fat percentage. Cost for the service is \$12.

Participants will receive a "Know Your Numbers" health log, a pedometer, and all test results at the time of the screen. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes. Appointments can be made in advance by calling Kathy Jacobsen RN at Charlevoix Area Hospital's Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome.

Oct. 10

Eastern Star fundraiser
Charlevoix Chapter #72 Order of the Eastern Star is hosting a Schwan's Fund-raiser Truck Load Sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 10, at the Walgreen Drug-store Parking Lot located at the corner of US-31 and M-66 in Charlevoix.

The funds raised are returned to our community through donations to the Women's Resource Center, Charlevoix Area Hospital, the local food pantry, Veteran's Memorial, Charlevoix Middle School Special Needs Fund, hygiene packets for the school, Charlevoix High School Senior Night Sponsorship, scholarship fund, coordination with area schools for the purchase of school clothes for families with financial hardship, Christmas gifts for families in need, and local Masonic affiliated organization members with financial, medical, or emergency needs. Orders are due by Oct. 6.

Order forms may be obtained from Eastern Star members or from Colleen Wilcenski, Charlevoix Chapter Worthy Matron, at 547-1305. Payment for all orders is due at the time of order pick up.

Oct. 11

From Noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 11, the Fall Festival is back at beautiful Camp Daggett on Walloon

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Camp Daggett also invites attendees to help provide meaningful and memorable experiences for children in need by donating to our scholarship fund.

Call 347-9742 for more information or visit www.campdaggett.com for directions.

Now through Oct. 13

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is announcing a call for entries for their first annual photography exhibit.

Entries may be submitted on Tuesday, Oct. 13. Traditional, digital and alternative -process photographic works are all invited for the jurying process. If the image has been altered, a statement of technique would be appreciated to include for educational purposes for the viewer.

The entry fee is \$20 for the first three photos submitted. Each entry after that is \$10 with a limit of five entries total.

Elks on motorcycles?

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

First they came to Charlevoix, then they opened a clubhouse, now the Charlevoix Elks are hosting a poker run, motorcycle show and party to benefit the Forgotten Eagles.

The event, scheduled from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 26 is open to anyone interested in motorcycles, helping veterans of wars and fun.

"I think it's going to be an awesome weekend," said Chris Jones, Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks Lodge #2856. "It's going to be a great chance to see the colors changing and go for a nice drive."

A blessing of the bikes and informational presentation will begin at 9 a.m. in

the jury will select the images for the Exhibit as well as the top three of show.

The opening reception will be on Saturday, Oct. 24.

For more information please contact Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com. Go to www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

Oct. 13 and 21 and Nov. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

New members are welcome.

Nov. 9, The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Liars, by Kristina Riggie. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the 'Great Michigan Read' community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discus-

sion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

Oct. 31

Straits Area Amateur Radio Club Annual Swap and Shop.

Public is welcome from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Oct. 31 at Zion Lutheran Church, 500 West Mitchell, Petoskey.

Vendors can arrive at 7 a.m.

Entrance fee is \$8 with a table or \$5 to purchase. Refreshments available. There will be a 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Must be present to win.

Lions collect glasses
The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voei's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

Bergmann Center seeks donations

Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

Commodity pick-up

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

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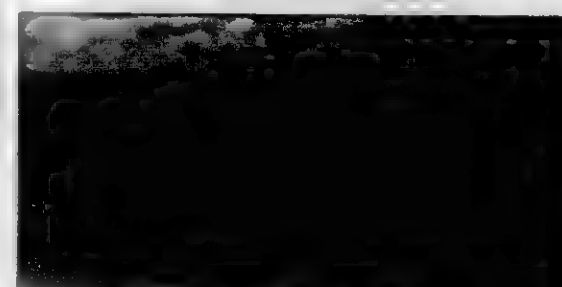
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Back from the dead

Local facility resurrected, revitalized

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Like a blue collar phoenix rising from the ashes of a razed manufacturing plant, Z D Metal Products from Newberry in the Upper Peninsula is now operating in the old Charlevoix Manufacturing facility.

The last thing Charlevoix needed was another business to fail when the long-time parts maker at 89911 Martin Road closed last winter. But, according to Z D operations manager Jim Hater, this is a bright spot in an otherwise gloomy economy.

"When Charlevoix Man-

ufacturing closed, things looked very bleak with a lot of good people out of work and the future for the Charlevoix area uncertain," said Hater, the former owner/operator of Charlevoix Manufacturing. "Then these guys came in (Z D Metal Products) and managed to keep part of the jobs and manufacturing in the Charlevoix area."

He added, "These guys, when they took over, they brought some great connections into a lot of new markets we were never able to tap before."

Z D, which operates a magnesium die-cast facility

in Newberry that makes automotive parts, decided to expand into aluminum molding since the old Charlevoix Manufacturing facility was already set up to host the work.

"I had gone to these guys and asked if they were interested in putting permanent molding into the processes they were already doing," Hater said. "After we had started our discussions, Charlevoix Manufacturing took all their assets to auction and these guys came in and bought a lot of the equipment and rekindled the

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\$700K Park Avenue improvements

By Benjamin Gohs
Editor

The over \$700,000 city sewer project is underway.

The job, which will be completed in two phases over thousands of feet of sewer, asphalt and water main, is expected to be completed before Memorial Day, 2010.

"We looked at both the condition of underground utilities and the condition of the road and thought Park Avenue, having a fair amount of traffic and deteriorating conditions of both road and utilities, was our number one priority," said Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel.

Groundbreaking officially began a week ago, Mon-

day, and will consist of the replacement of 1,050 linear feet of sanitary sewer main, 1,750 feet of water main, 1,200 feet of storm sewers, 3,500 feet of curb and gutter and 1,750 feet of asphalt.

"This project is slated to last this fall depending on the weather up until November to mid-November," Straebel said. "And it would ramp up once again in early spring to late March."

The construction is along the section of Park Avenue from State Street to Grant Street.

"Then, for the spring, we'll come in and finish up one block of State Street, from Park to Clinton and then the remainder

of Park Avenue from State to Bridge streets," Straebel said.

The major street work will be accompanied by the paving of the DeWitt parking lot across from the Alcove Cafe.

"This will include storm-water best management practices along with improvements we will incorporate two bio-retention areas for rain gardens along Park Avenue," Straebel said. "They will help us filter out some of the sediment and runoff from the road and create cleaner water going into the Pine River Channel."

Stormwater runoff which

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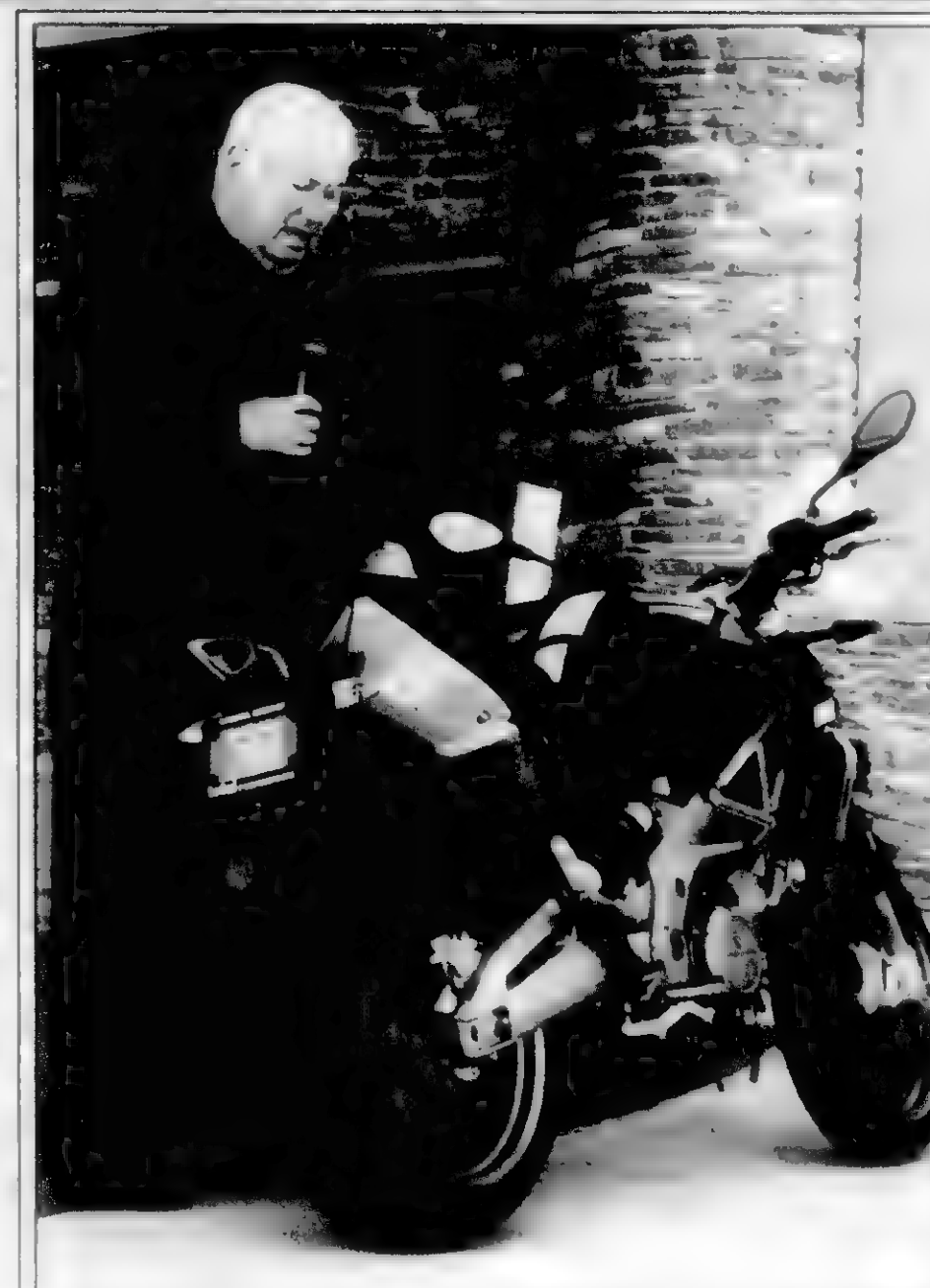


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Blessed is the bike

Fr. Jim Hayden blesses a 2008 Aprilia Shiver motorcycle before the Charlevoix Elks Lodge's charity poker run and bike show on Saturday Sept. 26. See more pictures on page 13.

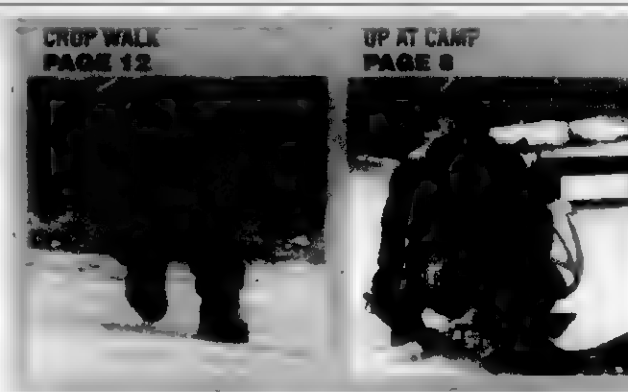
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BIRTHS

Ava Margaret Bergeron weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces was born Sept. 18, at the Munson Hospital in Traverse City to Max and Heather Bergeron also of Traverse City. Her grandparents are Jeff and Becky Resch and Patti Resch all

of Charlevoix, Keith and Robert Bergeron of Lincoln, Nebraska. Her grandparents are Mary Marsh, Martha Resch, David and Eileen Juilleret all of Charlevoix and Ann Merdink of Warren, Minn. **Olivia Elizabeth Crouse** weighing 7 pounds, 13

ounces was born Sept. 23, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jeff and Sarah Crouse of Charlevoix. Her sibling is Jackson. Her grandparents are John and Elizabeth Carries of Frankenmuth and Phil and Edna Crouse of Canadian Lakes. **Max Atticus Erickson**

weighing 8 pounds, 3 ounces was born Sept. 17, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Todd and Ernie Erickson of Petoskey. His siblings are Brandon and Ethan.

SANE

The Straits Area Narcotics Enforcement Team (S.A.N.E.) made the following arrests:

09/07/09 Clinton Winifred Cowles, a 36-year-old male East Jordan resident, was arrested for one (1)

count delivery of a counterfeit substance and one (1) count habitual offender 4th offense. The subject was lodged at the Charlevoix County Jail.

09/08/09 Jamie Renee McDougall, a 33-year-old female Boyne City resident, was arrested for one (1) count delivery of heroin and one (1) count maintaining a drug house. The subject was lodged at the Charlevoix County Jail.

09/14/09 Everett Thom-

as Root III, a 29-year-old male East Jordan resident, was arrested for two (2) counts delivery of Vicodin and one (1) count maintaining a drug house. The subject was lodged at the Charlevoix County Jail.

Those wanting to report narcotics activity are encouraged to call S.A.N.E. at (800) 621-8651. For details contact D/Lt. Kenneth Mills, Straits Area Narcotics Enforcement.



COURTESY PHOTO

FOJ photo contest winner

On Sept. 19, the grand prize in the Friends of the Jordan photo contest was awarded to Theresa Cole of Mancelona for her photo "Spring Fling on the Jordan" a stunning photo of a fly fisherman on a crisp spring morning on the Jordan River. Her husband Preston Cole's photograph graces the cover of the 2010 FOJ calendar and daughter-in-law Stacey Cole's picture of her husband playing guitar before a crackling campfire won a spot in the calendar as well. The Youth Award went to Ella Porter Lynas for her "Relaxing Bug" and her mother Kristen Porter was chosen for one of the calendar photos. This year the President's Choice Award went to Rosie Evans of East Jordan for her photograph "Jordan Dawn." Viewer's Choice went to Anne Marie Boettger. Calendars of the winning photographs have been printed and will be available for purchase at the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic or through the Web site www.friendsofthejordan.org.

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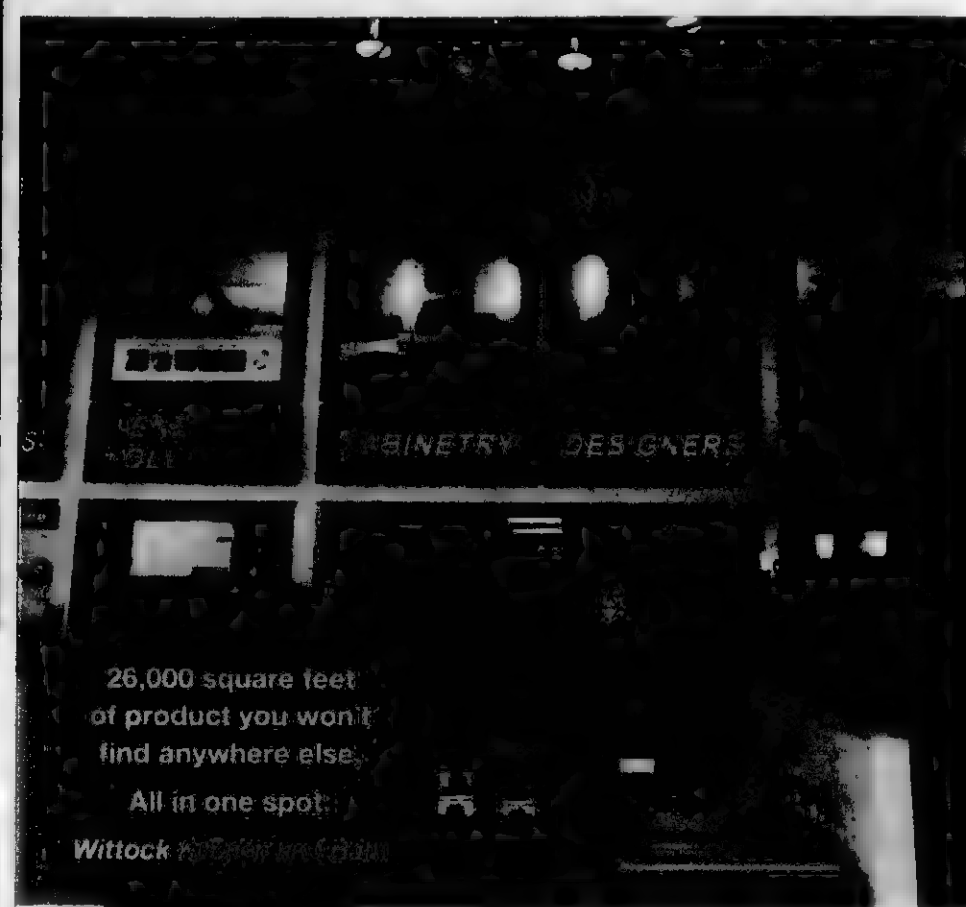
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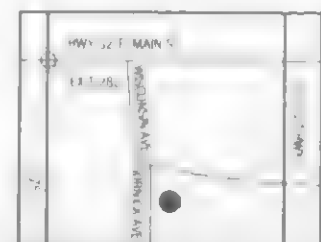


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has created minor flooding in the area will also be implemented. The total projected costs are \$709,713 with a product life span of between 40 to 50 years. "I think it's largely going to improve the appearance

of the neighborhood, but also give us more assurance that the underground utilities are performing as they should," Straebel said. "The sewer lines underground are a pivotal component of sewer collection system and we want to make sure that is performing correctly."

The city is currently working to apply for grants to help pay for the storm-water filtration unit with several local charitable trusts



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured above is the inside of one of Z D Metal Products' casting facilities. The Newberry-based company recently bought the closed Charlevoix Manufacturing facility.

New company thriving

Z D METALS

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operation here in our current facility."

Z D Metal Products now employs eight people at the Charlevoix facility.

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said he looks forward to working with Charlevoix City Council to promote Charlevoix as the place for business.

"Obviously I think any extra business is good. It's nice to see some of the buildings filled and hopefully this trend can continue," he said. "Hopefully it's a sign that these economic times are turning to the better."

And, Hater said, when the economy turns around, they may be able to add more.

"The people we have up here are very quality conscious," Hater said. "I look forward to being able to get

back to the point to get some of our past employees back. We had a lot of good people who are still out of work."

Hater pointed to 70 percent of his work going overseas to cheaper competitors, but that there is a resurgence of the need for robotics parts, lighting components and automotive parts.

"With the stuff we're looking at right now, and the markets we're into, we already see are turning around," he said. "I think when this whole recessionary period turns around there will be so much pent-up demand that the companies still around will be going strong."

Hater added, "I don't

know how soon the turnaround will be, but it will go quickly and be strong."

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The perks and pitfalls of a home office



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

When I first retired from full time work in the school setting as a counselor I decided with my energy I would definitely need some type of plan for my free time.

I came up with a lot of ideas. When I started the Polish Princess Pierogi Company I had to meet health regulation standards to own a kitchen separate

from the household. When I realized the expenses were outweighing my profit by a large margin I closed the business three years later.

Cooking for others gives me a whole new appreciation for caterers and other entrepreneurs creating delicacies for the general public. It also taught me the lesson that when mom is busy cooking the next question is always, "Is this for us or for a customer?"

I found I was creating extras of everything for family and then the profit margin dropped again.

My grandparents owned a candy store in Detroit during the 1930s.

Their own store closed because their large family ate the profits while they worked their shift at the store. In some small way I can relate to this.

Since I had a license for private practice counseling I had that "aha" moment and

decided this was something I could do from home.

Do not use your dining room as an office — just like a good therapist will tell you, "only sleep in your bedroom, and only eat in your dining room."

Here's what happens when you don't listen. Little piles of paper and notebooks begin to increase in height and if the cat jumps on the table because a dog is in hot pursuit; well you can only imagine.

While counseling a couple about their sex life — yes, sex does come into the conversation once in while working with couples — if there isn't a sign notifying my family members that a session is in progress, the kitchen becomes available to make a sandwich.

I need to do that "neck tie on the door handle" thing. Future clients take note; I now have an office on the third floor of our home so it's always quiet, unless

Austin our hundred pound retriever finds us.

The wondrous advantage of working in your home is completing tasks on your computer while still dressed in your evening's finest or in my case mismatched P.J.'s. The down side to this is time gets away from you and the Fed Ex guy thinks this is your usual way of dressing.

Watching children while working at home you may think that's so kind or maybe not.

Even though you provide an excellent educational activity for the children to do on their own for 20 minutes, in reality the computer work may get sent to the wrong party or worse yet forwarded to the wrong group. The reply button usually be comes reply all. Children really love computers.

Working from home there is the added plus of doing a couple of loads of laundry and washing dishes while

reminding clients of their appointments via the phone attached to my ear.

If I start dinner in a crock pot early the same morning the welcoming aroma begins to fill my home office with smells reminiscent of childhood, mom and apple pie. Always a good thing if your client needs a sense of care and nurturing.

Then there are the family pets. Our retriever doesn't understand personal space but I forgive him easily as he also serves as therapy when needed.

He seems to sit by those individuals in need of a hug or warm hand to shake.

The downside is the sharing of his toys and forgetting that not everyone loves dogs and the quick whip of his tail which can send objects flying off the table such as coffee and water.

Working from home means keeping things organized and reminding family members that yes, you are

working even though you are home.

I try to keep our house neat and organized so clients are not greeted with chaos.

This keeps me on my toes with the daily vacuuming of dog and cat hair resembling tumbleweeds.

So there is some added work involved when your job is located in the place you call home because your clients will truly see who you are and how you live.

I feel the plusses outweigh any of the minuses.

So for those of you venturing forth to start a new home business, I wish you the best of luck and feel free to call me for any advice especially if you are looking for a food or wine critic.

First, Jr. Beef would be much safer for both the child and the buyer. It would be safer for the child because the calf would be younger and smaller. In the future it would be safer because they would know how to handle a cow/steer. It would be safer for the buyer because they would have a trained calf instead of a 500 pound not trained animal trying to push you around.

In addition, it would be a lot more affordable. For instance it costs \$60 to buy one bag of milk replacer. You would need 5 to 6 bags and

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For all the reasons above I think we should have a Jr. Beef program. Thank you for your time.

Cassie Simpson
Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

A HEALTHY DOG IS A HAPPY DOG

Editor:
Your dog not getting enough exercise? And what about you? The majority of people say that when they have a companion, they are more likely to go for walks.

East Park has the potential to be a great place for that, but they don't allow dogs.

People could go for walks more often than usual with their dogs, that way getting exercise. East Park is a beautiful place, and many people would say that dogs would fit in like a missing puzzle piece. If you're taking your dog for a walk, you may want to go to East Park, but you can't go with your dog. Then when you take your dog back to your house, you probably won't want to walk all the way back to East Park by yourself.

East Park could be more popular, too. Tourists that have dogs will be more likely to take a walk in beautiful East Park, if they allowed dogs. Little kids would drag their parents along to that park to see the dogs. Charlevoix could look more like a comfortable community when families stopped there more.

Citizens can be responsible enough to take care of their dog's disposal because if they care about the community's well being they would take care of it.

If someone catches them, then they would be in trouble. If there were doggy bags available, people will use them, but East Park will need garbage cans, too. Citizens can be that responsible. I

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LETTERS to the editor

WHERE'S THE BEEF? IT'S AT 4-H

Editor:
What do your kids do during the summer? Are they interested in being a part of 4-H market livestock or the Emmet County Fair? Well, if your child wants to work with calves or steers they can join 4-H market livestock. It can be dangerous doing an animal with no experience. This is why I think that we should have a Jr. Beef program. With a Jr. Beef you are less likely to get hurt because the animal is smaller and when you first get it is only a week or two old. Do you think a little baby would push you around like a huge steer would? With a Jr. Beef you would halter train a calf and then sell it to someone else to finish.

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Tales of technophobia from the digital daze



A LOOK AT LIFE

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Game Boy was the kid next door. Standing before the gleaming tower of technology, I am filled with what I assume to be the same reverence and awe experienced by cave dwellers witnessing the first dancing flames of fire. I grasp that

marvels are constantly careening down our cultural flame with the velocity of a bolted, and I consider myself lucky to have rolled out of the way.

It's not that I don't eventually come to appreciate the devices. I do. I run blessings on the head of whoever came up with the television remote control. I can still feel the archaic clunk of the knob when I roused myself to tune in Soupy Sales, and I say laudos to the genius behind this particular piece of equipment. It is an irreplaceable facilitator of my lethargy.

Neglecting to reproduce, I have forfeited my best link to the world of constantly evolving electronic miracles.

A five-year-old has a better grasp than I of the multitudinous functions of my MacBook.

To me, it's a glorified typewriter that doesn't require White Out or

a new ribbon.

My first PC was delivered to my house 13 years ago, in a series of boxes that occupied a corner of the living room for three months, unopened. I knew that once I sliced the strapping tape and lifted the lids, I was in for it. I would have to first assemble the beast and then master new information.

And my brain is full.

I would like to compress my files and somehow purge the extraneous bits - like the lyrics to all three verses of the theme song from "Bonanza" - but this is unlikely.

For years now, and without much coaxing, I have been able to render up:

"Here in the west, we're livin' in the best - Bonanza! With a gun and a rope and a handful of hope, we planted our family tree."

Stuff like that is taking up a lot of space on my hard drive.

I know that Annette Funicello played the love interest on The Mickey Mouse Club serial, "Spin and Marty."

I know how to keep a hula-hoop rotating effortlessly around my waist, and that Aleister Crowley was born on October 12.

I remember how to execute the first six moves of Cat's Cradle. I can macramé a plant hanger, but I have the good sense not to.

These are all superfluous talents, and crumbs of information that I could live without. I believe that if this space were to be freed up, I could absorb more useful data. Maybe go after that Ph.D. in quantum physics, or invent a tool to retrieve the drawstring on pajamas when it disappears inside the tunnel of fabric. Perhaps, for those of us who consider an abacus to be vaguely suspect, adjustments could be made to mediate our trepidation. Would I be more

comfortable marching in the parade of progress if it more closely referenced things with which I am already familiar?

If, for instance, instead of the detached rational drone of my GPS navigation system prompting me to "Prepare to turn left in one-quarter mile," and obligingly reporting that it is "Recalculating..." when I veer off course, what if something more traditional could be installed? A frenzied voice urging, "Left, left, left, left - turn LEFT HERE! No, no, NO! You missed the turn - Crpe! Now we've gotta find someplace to turn around," might suffice. And imagine the satisfaction of exercising the option to unplug the thing and fling it into the back seat. Now that's progress.

E-mail Christine Gwidi at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

WEEKLY POLL

What should the Charlevoix area do with the former Emmet County Fairgrounds?
(30 Votes, 60%)
Save the structure
(10 Votes, 20%)
Tear it down
(10 Votes, 20%)

This week's poll question:
How are you feeling up to this morning?

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COURTESY PHOTO

Eco-Champions

Northern Michigan Sports Medicine won the first-ever Eco-Challenge fundraiser on Sept. 20, at Camp Daggett Adventure Center. Nearly 70 people on 11 teams competed and raised more than \$5,000. Pictured are winners (from left) Jeff Samyn, Margaret Bowers, Stacey Ostrowski, Patty Schmoldt, Emily Leestma and Brian McGee.



First deer

Greg Bishaw, 16, of Charlevoix, got his first deer ever on Saturday Sept. 26. He bagged his three-point buck in the late afternoon while hunting with his step-father Kenneth Klintworth. Greg is the son of Shari Klintworth.

COURTESY PHOTO



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Dairy Grille overrun

Above, Ember Witthoef kept an eye on 9-year-old Brandon Clark and 1-year-old Lella Stevensen during the Dairy Grille's last day of the season on Sunday Sept. 27. Below are some of the hundreds of people who waited up to three hours or more for their free meal courtesy of Charlevoix philanthropist Bill Schulling.



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The adventures of Earl Young and Don Campbell part II



EARL YOUNG

In part one of the adventures of Earl Young and Don Campbell, the duo had traveled to the Caribbean, making stops which included: Columbia, Trinidad, Barbados, St. Lucia, Martinique, Dominica, Guadalupe, Antigua and St. Kitts, St. Croix, and finally, St. Thomas, before returning to New York.

Upon their return, the boys went their separate ways. Young, inspired by the emerging architectural designs of Frank Lloyd Wright, and disillusioned by the adherence to traditional linear techniques eschewed by his courses at the University of Michigan and the Victorian gingerbread styles he saw around him, chose to break away from the architectural norms of the day and create his own style. For a time, Young went into a partnership with his mother, Myrtle, who owned an insurance company.

Several years later, together with his artist-wife Irene (Harsba), he went on to design, execute the construction of, or remodel 29 homes around Charlevoix, hanging out his shingle as a realtor. He never received a formal degree in architecture.

His constructions are based on Frank Lloyd Wright's theory of design which uses natural materials and respects and adheres to, rather than superimposes on, the landscape. When Young came upon boulders, he immediately filed away his treasure for future use.

Often he had his crew unearth the monstrous rocks left behind when the glacier cut the Great Lakes, and then rebury them. He would memorize the dimensions and the color composition

of his finds and catalogue their properties; the boulders would eventually find their final resting place in a chimney or hearth in one of his buildings, looking as if they belonged there and were finally at rest.

The boulder, wood and stucco homes and buildings of Earl Young: Boulder Park, The Weathervane Restaurant, The Weathervane

Terrace Hotel, The Lodge Motel, among the litany, have become landmarks in Charlevoix and remain monuments to the vision of a unique and imposing personality.

Did he watch the engineering of the Panama Canal, the movement of earth and stone, the purposeful reordering of nature and apply the principles to his own constructions, especially when faced with the prospect of erecting his masterpiece along the channel in Charlevoix? All interesting conjecture, but certainly plausible.

Anne Bandfield, can speak for her father to some extent, whereas Young's four children have all passed away.

Her father, Don Campbell, spent most of his life after the trip, yearning to sail on the Lakes. He had grown up the son of a man who was part owner of a towing tug and later bought the mail boat, The Beaver.

He and his friends were enamored by the barges and schooners coming in and out of the early Charlevoix harbor as the former swing bridge opened and closed to allow passage.

"That little rocker over there," Bandfield pointed out by her living room hearth, "belonged to Sara Teasdale (American poetess of the 1900s)."

The Teasdale family home looked out over Lake Michigan from the property that is now The Dunes condominiums at the bend of the US 31 highway, heading north after crossing the bridge in Charlevoix.

pleased the USDA is continuing to invest in public safety in rural communities across Northern Michigan.

The funding will be used to purchase four new police vehicles for East Jordan.

EJ gets \$36,000 in grants and loans

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) announced East Jordan will receive a loan for \$27,000 and a grant of \$9,000 for the purchase of police vehicles.

The funding has been awarded

by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Facilities Loan and Grant program.

"These vehicles will help law enforcement officials of East Jordan better serve and protect the community," Stupak said. "I am

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Are your hunts hilarious?

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Has anything strange or hilarious ever happened to you or a buddy at deer camp?

If so, then your outdoorsman antics could be featured in the new television series "Up at Camp" created by a Charlevoix producer.

"Up at Camp" is really based on having heard a hundred thousand camper stories over the years and then making me laugh until I was crying," said show producer and long-time screenwriter Jim McKinney. "I'm not a hunter, but I have been to more than one deer camp and had a great time and found out most of the activity in deer camp is not out in the woods with a rifle, but a lot of good food, card games, music and jokes."

McKinney and his film company The Content Mint plan to create at least 13 episodes for an undisclosed outdoor channel.

Anyone interested in sharing their camp experiences can contact McKinney to discuss having his film crew come along to deer camp.

"I just want people to feel comfortable in participating," he said. "We're not going to be in their way, and they'll have fun with it."

Contact McKinney at 547-9920 or (231) 675-3611 or JTMShow@aol.com.

Once you've made contact, McKinney said he would like to visit the deer camp to see what he needs as far as equipment is concerned, and then he and his camera man simply blend into the camp and capture the action.

"We think we'll be able to do four-day segments," McK-

inney said. "After we visit the camp, we do individual interviews with the campers — we can come to their homes or jobs or wherever they want to meet us. Then we go with them when they arrive at camp, the first night at camp and then we go out with one or two of the campers to their blind or tree

stand and then spend the rest of the day in the camp listening to the stories and watching the card games and whatever else they would do."

McKinney said his company will provide location fees and negotiable compensation for the hunters.

"What I really want people

to know is that we don't want to get in their way — we'll be as unobtrusive as possible," he said. "And, we want them to be as comfortable as possible. We will look just like they do: we won't shave for a month and we might not take showers for a month like some hunters do."



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Young hunter

Sawyer Golovich, 13, hunted in Hayes Township with his father Dennis Golovich and bagged this eight-point buck on the opening day of this fall's youth hunt.

Raise awareness with poverty simulation

To increase community awareness and understanding of issues related to poverty, MSU Extension will offer a poverty simulation workshop on Thursday, Oct. 8, in Charlevoix.

The poverty simulation workshop enables local residents and community leaders to experience some of the daily challenges of living in poverty. Each participant is assigned a particular role in which they interact within the simulated community to provide their family with shelter and basic necessities. At the conclusion of the simulation, workshop participants are invited to share in discuss-

ing their reactions and insights about the experience.

This is the second workshop to be offered, funded with grant support from Char-Em United Way," said Carolyn Penniman, MSU Extension educator and coordinator of the event.

"The simulation workshop offered June 3 in Petoskey received many positive comments about the impact it made on those who attended. Participants' understanding of the difficult choices people with few financial resources need to make each month more than doubled."

One hundred percent of the workshop-goers said

they would recommend the simulation experience to others."

By engaging a wide range of participants from faith communities, volunteers, agency representatives and business professionals, Penniman hopes to dispel some of the misconceptions about poverty.

"With a greater awareness of its impact, people from all economic levels can more effectively address the poverty issues in our community," Penniman said.

Penniman also chairs the newly formed Char-Em Poverty Reduction Initiative, which will foster community awareness and de-

velop ongoing activities for grassroots efforts for people helping people to reduce poverty. The group meets on the fourth Tuesday each month, and welcomes additional members.

All interested Charlevoix and Emmet County adult residents are invited to attend the simulation from 12:30-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St., (corner of U.S. 31 and Meech), in Charlevoix. There is no cost to attend the workshop, but registration is required by Thursday, Oct. 1. To register, call MSU Extension at 348-1770.

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New staff members at St. Mary School

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
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Stieber

St. Mary School in Charlevoix is back in session, and the new school year brings additions to the teaching staff.

Beth Joure is a 2001 graduate of Michigan State University. Prior to taking her first full-time teaching position this year at St.

Mary, Joure was a substitute teacher in the Charlevoix area for three years.

"Working with the kids and seeing them learn something new," is the best part of the job to Joure, who teaches first grade students. She explained that the satisfaction and excitement is mutual "when they see that they can do it on their own."

Originally from Grand Rapids, Joure recalled that as a child she spent many summers up north with her family. That, and the fact that her parents retired to the area, influenced her decision to return and make Charlevoix her home.

"I like the small town better than the big city," she said.

Graduated in April from Grand Valley State University, Boyne City native, Carly Stieber is another new faculty member at St. Mary. Stieber encourages participation and interaction among her second-grade students, who respond with enthusiasm.

"They love to be given some responsibility," she said. "Little jobs that they are in charge of mean a lot to them."

Stieber, who enjoys running, painting and drawing when school is out, appreciates the fact that the size

of the classes at St. Mary allows each child to receive individual attention.

"And the kids are great," said Stieber. "They make me laugh. It's amazing to have a job that makes you happy to be at work."

Rita McIntyre has been St. Mary's music director for two years. She will be teaching music classes for the first time this year to pre-kindergarten through sixth-grade students.

"With the very young children, we have song circle," said McIntyre, who plays piano and organ for the parish. "Reading music is part of the program. Grades three and four are more complex and in grades five and six, we get into more theory."

McIntyre's classes allow her students to tie together what they are doing in church with what they're learning in the music classroom.

"They're very open to learning," she said. "Besides traditional hymns, I teach them songs that I grew up with in church, like 'If I Were a Butterfly.' But

you'll hear them out on the playground singing popular music."

Originally from L'Anse, Michigan, McIntyre is a 1990 graduate of Baldwin Wallace College Conservatory in Ohio.

"I love the interaction with the children," McIntyre said of her new teaching position. "They're really beautiful kids. I enjoy knowing them better just by being in the classroom with them."

Principal Keisha Verser welcomes the changes and new faces at St. Mary School.

"We're lucky to have them," she said. "We have a great staff here."

Great Michigan Reads discussion coming to Charlevoix

The Michigan Humanities Council's <http://michiganhumanities.org/programs/gmr/index.php> "Great Michigan Reads" is a community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen (pronounced bit-minh-win). The Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St., will be hosting a community discussion of this book at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Stealing Buddha's Dinner is a memoir that chronicles the author's migration from Vietnam in 1975 and her coming of age in Grand Rapids, Michigan in the 1980s. The book was selected by a group of nearly 50 librarians, teachers, students, professors, authors, and others from all corners of the state.

A limited number of this book will be available for sale at the Charlevoix Public Library for \$5. You must be registered for the book discussion to

get that price. Visit the library's Web site to download a book discussion guide at <http://www.charlevoixlibrary.org/read-con/book-discussions.htm>.

For further information about this or other library programs, contact 237-7340.

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SEPTEMBER

Unlikely duo team-up for gardening

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It began with a flyer: "Have fun while learning about plants, soil and gardening," it read.

Terri Green and her daughters were eager and excited to get involved.

Passionate about gardening herself, Charlevoix resident and mother of five, Terri was anxious to get her daughter's hands in the dirt -- the Junior Master Gardener program was the perfect avenue.

An after school extracurricular activity, the Junior Master Gardener program is open to all students grades three through six and hosted at various elementary schools throughout Charlevoix County. Facilitated and operated by the Michigan State University Extension program, with funding from various garden clubs and organizations throughout the county, each Junior Master Gardener program is run by a certified Master Gardener.

Courses typically run for six weeks and registration is required as the class size is generally limited to 20.

According to MSU Extension spokeswoman, Kim Stevens however, no student

has ever been turned away. Volunteer adults help facilitate the program and class topics include spring life cycles, bugs, soil and plant science, vegetables, flowers, compost and gardening tools. Michigan State Extension provides all the materials and ensures the placement of a site coordinator to oversee the program.

To become a certified Junior Master Gardener, students are required to attend a minimum of five educational classroom sessions and complete 10 volunteer hours in the community, helping family, friends and neighbors. Upon completion of the program, students receive Junior Master Gardener certification and oftentimes continue to cultivate and tend gardens of their own over the course of the summer.

Three of Terri's daughters have completed the Junior Master Gardener program -- the most recent of which being her thirteen year old daughter Esther. Esther and Terri along with their neighbor, Jack Roberts, now manage and tend one of Charlevoix's largest home gardens. What began with a mutual interest in gardening has grown into a joint effort bringing together gardeners

from three generations. Jack Roberts, a Korean War Veteran and fellow gardener got involved over five years ago, and helps Esther and Terri tend, fertilize and till the garden.

"He just lives two miles from us and has gardened for 50 years," Terri said. "He loves to garden."

When Terri's family chose to build a new house on top of the site of their old garden, Jack excitedly and enthusiastically invited Terri and her girls to plant their garden at his house, and an exciting new relationship was born.

A gardener himself, Jack was thrilled to get involved and excited to share in the fun and work that having a garden entails.

"It's a huge garden," Terri said. "It's a lot of fun, but a lot of work."

Jack's involvement not only helps with the division of labor, but has also introduced and exposed Terri and her girls to gardening tricks and techniques both old and new.

Full of ideas, Roberts brings a new and different perspective to the project. He keeps dog hair around

all of the plants to keep the deer away, and grass clippings around the green bean plants to keep the moisture in the ground and the weeds at bay.

With Jack's help and in a continued effort to be innovative with their gardening, the group used of a four foot long piece of one inch conduit as a homemade "seed, er". As a result, the entire garden this year was planted in one hour.

"It's simple, really," Terri explains. "You lay out your row with a string ... from one end to the other, you use your string so your row is straight. You put the conduit pipe in the ground and then standing up, you drop your seed through the conduit pipe ... your seed falls right where you want it to fall in the ground ... and you lift the pipe up, scoop it over and you've covered your seed with the dirt."

The planting time and physical expenditure is more than cut in half when compared to planting the entire garden on your hands and knees.

The Junior Master Gardener program has become an enormous component of Terri and her daughter's



COURTESY PHOTO

Esther Green stands amid the bounty of her vegetable garden earlier this summer. Esther is a member of the Junior Master Gardener program.

lives.

What began over 10 years ago with an interest in gardening, has transformed into a passion and hobby that transcends age and connects neighbors.

"It has been a great team,"

Terri explains. "Jack is 84 and Esther is 13 -- it's a wonderful thing, really."

For further information on the Junior Master Gardener Program contact Charlevoix County's MSU Extension at (231) 582-6232.

Worthy Matron serves another term

BY CHRISTINE GWIDT
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

The Charlevoix chapter of Order of the Eastern Star has named Colleen Wilcenski to serve as Worthy Matron for the third time in three years. Wilcenski was first elected in 2006. She served again this year and will be reinstated for another one-year term in October.

"Our main purpose is as a charitable organization," Wilcenski said. "We're a fraternal organization based on taking care of one another and others in the community."

Order of the Eastern Star raises money for several groups in the Charlevoix

area, including Charlevoix Area Hospital, Woman's Resource Center, the Charlevoix Food Pantry and abuse shelters. They have used the profits from their fundraising activities, including the proceeds from the hot dog stand that they operate at festivals and craft fairs, to add to their fund. The money is then distributed to non-profit organizations and individuals in need.

"The first time that I served as Worthy Matron, we raised enough money to buy five children two sets of clothes to wear to school, two pairs of shoes, gym clothes and an outerwear coat," said Wilcenski.

"We also have scholarship funds for college-bound

kids."

Some of the responsibilities carried out by the Worthy Matron are to oversee and delegate fundraising, coordinate events, assign duties and conduct meetings.

Wilcenski is also the Mother Advisor for the Rainbow Girls, who range in age from 11 to 20. The girls and young women practice making a difference by volunteering in their community and raising money for charitable contributions.

Order of the Eastern Star is a sister organization of the Masons and every year a Mason is selected to serve as Worthy Patron. Erwin Barrett was the past year's Worthy Patron. Dur-

ing her first appointment in 2006, Wilcenski's husband, Sam, was given the honor. He will serve another term with his wife in 2010.

The Charlevoix chapter of Order of the Eastern Star has been active in the area for more than 100 years and currently has approximately 80 members. They hope to consolidate with the Boyne City chapter in January.

To become a member, one must be able to claim a lineage to the organization -- a relative who was either a Mason or an Order of the Eastern Star member. Wilcenski's mother served twice as Worthy Matron in Onaway and her father was a Mason.

"To me, going to the Stars is like going to a prom ev-

ery month, because I get to dress up in a formal," Wilcenski said. "Part of the tradition is to dress up. It's like a play, but it's a meaningful play. Everybody has their part."

According to Wilcenski, the organization's commitment to the well-being of members and others is fundamental.

"Throughout the state, I have brothers and sisters who aren't related to me," she said.

Order of the Eastern Star is sponsoring their second annual Schwann's sale in Charlevoix, to be held Oct. 10 in the parking lot of Walgreen's Drugs on the corner of M-66 and 31 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. To pre-order items, call Colleen Wil-



censki at 547-6755 through Oct. 6, or purchase directly from the Schwann's truck on the day of the sale.

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can fall asleep. A study published in a recent issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association evaluated the short term (6 weeks) and long term effects of CBT and a sleep medication called zolpidem (Ambien) in those with persistent sleep problems. It was found that in the short term, adding zolpidem (10 mg at bedtime) to CBT helped in the "now." I took a person to fall asleep or reduce their awake time after they fell asleep. The best therapy was a combination of the two approaches at the beginning, followed by just CBT for the long term.

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Annual Charlevoix CROP Walk for hunger helps needy



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AND JACOB SAMPSON

Nearly 100 people participated in the annual CROP walk to fight hunger in Charlevoix on Saturday Sept. 26. Gall Seidel and Lucie Witthoef (directly above, from left) walked the full six miles from Charlevoix Middle School to the Ironton Church. Following the walk, there was a barbecue and picnic luncheon at the church. Chuck Winkler of Boyne City (above, far right) was John McKenney's chaperone for the six-mile walk. Below, Charlevoix chef Dave Phillips cooks hotdogs for the hungry walkers.



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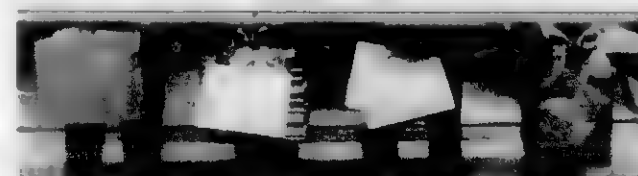
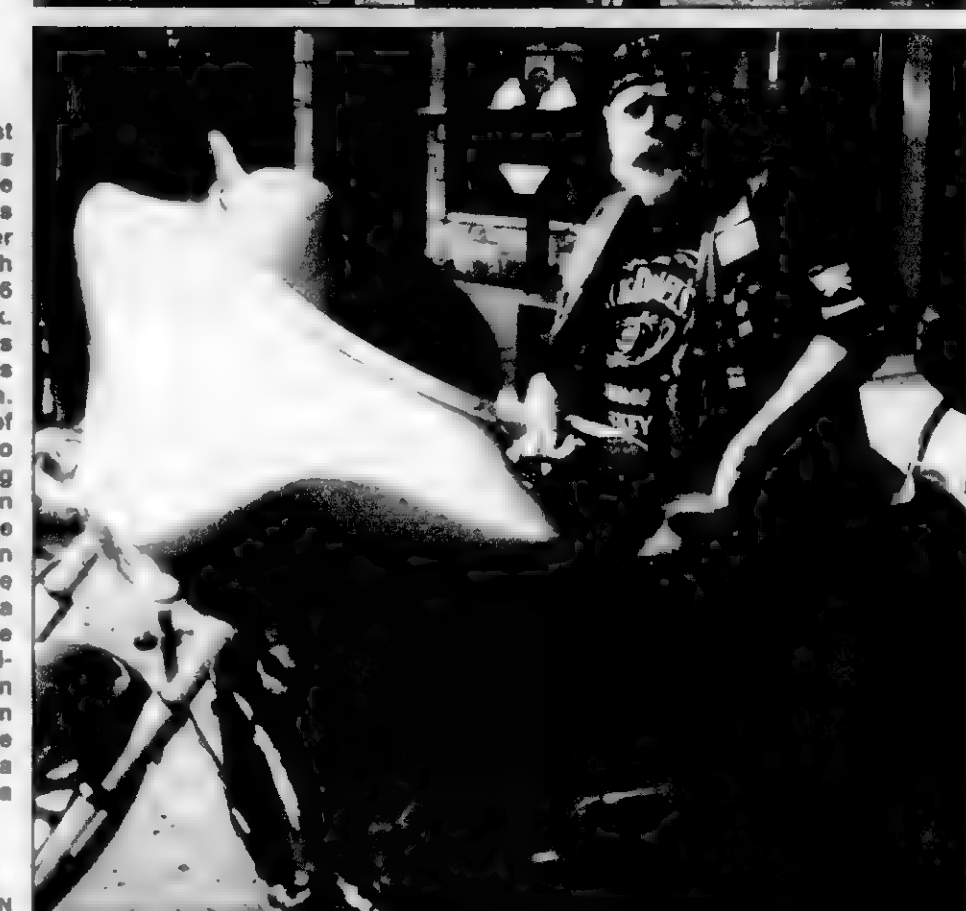


Elks on Bikes

Lady biker Kelly Drost announces the day's events leading up to the Charlevoix Elks Lodge's first-ever charity poker run and bike show which began Saturday Sept. 26 in Charlevoix's East Park. The event raised funds for the Forgotten Eagles veterans organization. Don Schoof (right) of Charlevoix, gets ready to take off on the day-long poker run which began with a blessing of the bikes and a bike show in downtown Charlevoix. The day's events ended with a dinner and auction at the Elks Lodge's new headquarters just off Mason St. A crowd (above, from left) sits in East Park while Fr. Jim Hayden blessed a motorcycle in hopes of a safe and fun ride.



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Mighty midgets

The game of the weekend may have been played, not on Friday night, but Saturday morning as the Charlevoix Midgets and Boyne City's Midgets were both undefeated coming into Saturday's game. The teams fought hard and ended the game in a 16-16 tie.

COURTESY PHOTOS



Peewee Rayders win

The Charlevoix Buccaneers bested the Boyne City Pee Wee II by a score of 12-0.

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Rayders dust the Red Devils



Charlevoix Varsity football defeated East Jordan on Friday night 41-0. Charlevoix led 28-0 at the half.

"I thought our kids played real well against East Jordan," said coach Don Jess. "It was nice to get back on track and build some momentum heading into Boyne City. Boyne will be a tough test for us. It's always tough to play over there. We need to have a good week of practice to be ready for the Ramblers."

John Boss led the Rayder

rushing attack with 4 carries for 100 yards and one touchdown. Clayton Mitchell had 10 carries for 98 yards and two TD's. Isaac Hoper and Jake McClean also had rushing touchdowns. McClean added two rushing extra points and Alex Foster kicked an extra point. Coby Herriman caught a 26 yard touchdown pass from Mitchell. The Rayder defense was led by Hunter Johnstone's eight tackles and two sacks. Mitchell picked off two passes and JT Lawrence also had an interception. Bill Ivan, Chris Levens, Zach Smith, John Boss, and Casey Helstrom all recorded sacks on the night. The Rayders travel to Boyne City this Friday.

Rayder girls compete in cross country races

The ninth and 10th-graders were third in their race behind Alpena 31 points and Petoskey 92 points. The Rayders had 103 points. Molly Jeakle was 21:39 and 5th place. She was also a medalist.

Hilary Way ran 22:24 and 13th place. She was a medalist. Stirling Witthoef ran 23:29 for

26th place; Annie Dipert ran 23:32 in 28th; Jane Balasz ran 24:04 in 31st; Sarah Mackenzie was 27:07 and 54th place.

The 11th and 12th-graders had an incomplete team because they only had three runners.

Krista Pischner was the top placer with a 23:56 and a 29th

place. Madeline Jeakle was in 43rd place with a 25:35 and Rachel Boss was in 57th place with a 27:29.

Stirling and Hilary had the break out races this meet. They each made close to a minute drop in their times.

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UNDEFEATED

Senior Cameron LaVasseur splits the Grand Marais defense during a weekend soccer double-header on Beaver Island. Behind six goals by LaVasseur the Islanders improved to 4-0 with a pair of wins over the Polar Bears, 6-1 and 7-3. Grand Marais is not fielding a volleyball team this year so the Islanders netters, 2-0 on the season, had the weekend off.

Soccer

Charlevoix soccer team wins Thomas Rich scored three goals and Ben Myers had a goal and two assists as Charlevoix rolled past Lakeview, 5-1, Wednesday, Sept. 23 in a non-league boys' soccer match.

Ty Jones had a goal and an assist for the Rayders, 10-1, while Wyatt Drost also added an assist.

Nick Brandi and Matt Batdorff split the game in goal for the Rayders, and John Shea, Ty Wilhelm, Will Larsen and Ryan Wimmer were the defensive standouts, coach Josh Block said.

Speigl served at 100 percent with three aces; and Isis Heng added 19 digs.

For East Jordan, Maribeth Poindexter had 15 kills, 13 digs and three blocks; Shaina Peters had seven kills, 18 digs; Trista Karlsson had 28 assists; and Hannah Streufert had 27 digs.

Charlevoix won the JV match, 25-20, 26-24, 15-3. For the Rayders, Sydney Carlson had three aces, six assists and four digs; Chelsie Hoffman finished with four aces, five kills and nine digs; and Megan Peters added five kills. For East Jordan, Krystal Hoppe served at 100 percent and Tanner McCune was a standout.

East Jordan won the freshman match, 21-25, 25-21, 25-19. Allie Sutton had nine aces and five kills to lead the Red Devils, while and Stevie Bartig had eight aces, seven assists.

Bradley, 6-7, 6-3, 10-7; 3-John Saur-Austin Lobenherz (CX) def. Derek Kelley-Will Klooster, 6-3, 7-6 (7-2); 4-Logan Kline-Trent Bradley (CX) def. Kevin Hansen-Matt Visconti, 7-6.

On Thursday Sept. 24, Charlevoix hosted the White team from Petoskey in tennis. Petoskey won the match 5-3.

#1 singles Logan Kline lost to Duran Nixon, 6-0, 7-5

#2 singles Jake Lemanski lost to Patrick Gietre 6-1, 6-1

#3 singles Ben Way lost to Brandon Pomranla 6-0, 6-0

#4 singles default

#1 Doubles Matt Murry and Dylan Putman defeated Gramm Holey and Tyler Burdau 5-7, 6-4, 10-2

#2 Doubles Blake Schulman and Trent Bradley lost to Hunter Pulski and Mitch Reynolds 6-7, 6-3, 10-7

#3 Doubles John Saur and Austin Lobenherz defeated Derrick Kelley and Will Klooster 6-3, 7-6

#4 Doubles Logan Kline and Trent Bradley defeated Kevin Hanson and Matt Visconti 7-6

"I was really pleased with how we are progressing," said coach Erik Lundteigen. "We have had some very good practices and it is starting to show. Logan Kline made a nice adjustment in his singles match and almost won his second set."

He added, "We must continue to have good focus and effort to keep improving. Charlevoix's next match will be the Conference Championships Oct. 1st at Harbor Springs at 10:00."



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Stingrays in action

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool Stingray swim team swimmers are diving into another season of competition.



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Events not otherwise specified are held at the Charlevoix Public Library at 220 West Clinton St.

Ongoing events:

First Light Worship
First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday morning in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall.

This is a great time to make new friends while coming together to worship Jesus in an informal atmosphere.

For more information call (231) 547-9122.

Jeep Club

Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbennett@foxmott.com. There is no cost to join.

Bridge

Bridge players - Contract Bridge, afternoon and evenings from September through May benefiting the Charlevoix Area Hospital, call Catherine Francis at 675-9955.

Ladies swim

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim resumes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sitzema at 547-5190 for more information.

Exhibit

Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday through the end of the year except for Christmas and Thanksgiving. The side office door facing the bank will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Phone 547-4033 or go to www.chxhistory.com for more information.

Free lunch

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurlbut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Charlevoix Skatepark
Open noon to dusk, weekends only.

Helmet are required. Rules are strictly enforced. Helmet are available at the park, and included in the \$5 daily pass. Bikes must be in good working order with brakes and grip tape; no kickstands. Call (231) 675-4505 for more information and to find out about scholarships.

Scrapbooking

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month

at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star

Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

Four Fires Native Talking Circle

meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome; do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia

support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the library. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

Historical society

Museum Hours
The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

SOS food bank

Donate nonperishable food items now through Dec. 11 at any Michigan Secretary of State office.

The canned meats, dry beans, soups, pasta, peanut butter, tuna and like items will go to hungry families through the Food Bank Council of Michigan in regional food banks.

Donations may also be made

online to Harvest Gathering's "Fill Michigan's Fridge" food drive at www.feedmichigan.org.

Beginning soon

Arthritis exercise classes
Get in the game this fall with an exercise or self-management program from the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter. Representatives of the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter have announced Fall class schedules for their specially-designed exercise and self-help programs, including:

The Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program: a warm-water exercise program

The Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program: a land-based fitness program

The Arthritis Foundation Tai Chi Program: a graceful, flowing sequence of movements from Sun-style tai chi

The Arthritis Foundation Self-Help Program: a 6-week series that provides participants with the keys to successful arthritis self-management

The PATH Chronic Disease Self Management Program: a 6-week series focused on taking control of chronic diseases like arthritis, diabetes, asthma and others

Fall classes begin soon. Classes are available in Beaver Island, Boyne City, Cadillac, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Gaylord, Grayling, Houghton Lake, Petoskey, Roscommon and Traverse City. For more information about locations, schedules and fees, call the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter at (800) 968-3030 or visit www.arthritis.org.

Blood drives

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Oct. 6 — East Jordan Civic Center, 101 Civic Center Lane
• Oct. 7 — East Jordan United Methodist Church — call (800) GIVE-LIFE for times
• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Oct. 27 — Boyne City High School, 1035 Boyne Ave.
• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Oct. 29 — Charlevoix High School, 5200 Marion Center Road

Library events

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.
• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Tai Chi

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m. Sessions remaining are Oct. 7, 14 and 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McClorey at 231-582-7689 or e-mail megmcc@shcglobal.net.

Now through Oct. 7

Lamprey Survey

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has announced that a crew will survey Horton and Porter Creek Lentic Areas to find sea lampreys off the mouths of Horton and Porter Creek in Charlevoix County from now until Oct. 7 to detect the presence of sea lampreys. The information gathered will be used to determine the need for sea lamprey control.

Additional information about sea lampreys is available online at www.giff.org. FFY users may reach the Marquette or Ludington Biological Stations through the Michigan State Relay Service at (800) 649-3777.

Now through Oct. 15

Aqua fitness

All middle school and high school girls are invited to participate in Aqua Fitness at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Swimmers will participate in a variety of aqua fitness activities including aqua exercise, water polo, water basketball, water volleyball and lots more.

Contact the pool for additional information 547-0982
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. the middle school-aged girls and 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. the high school-aged girls will have classes Thursdays from Sept. 24 through Oct. 15. Classes are \$1 each.

Now through Oct. 31

Common Threads

A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. "Common Threads" is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer through Oct. 31.

Then from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 16, the artists will gather together to discuss their group and answer questions about their process.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Now through Nov. 11

Computer classes

Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Beginner Boot Camp allows new computer users a chance to learn new techniques and ask questions. E-mail Basics, will be held 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 and Internet Tricks 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21.

Come learn how to use the library's new technology, including a color scanner and a Kindle, at the New Tech Toys class, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 23

Then in October, Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

Sept. 30

How to start a business
Thinking About Starting Your Own Business? A great place to begin is at the "How To Start a Business" Class, being held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 30, at the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan. The session, presented by Wendy Wieland, NLEA/SBTDC Business Consultant will acquaint participants with the process and the tools needed to begin developing a new business. Sessions are held monthly.

The class fee is \$20 and registration is required. Please contact Sara at NLEA, (231) 582-6482 or e-mail sara@northern-lakes.net.

Oct. 3

Driggers hike
At 10 a.m. on Oct. 3 there

will be a hike at the Barry Driggers Preserve. Ty Ratliff, land protection specialist for the Conservancy, will be leading a one-hour hike at this property situated between Charlevoix and Boyne City. This past summer, recent improvements made the trails even more enjoyable, making this a property to explore. Hiking difficulty will be moderate, with some smaller hills. Call to pre-register at 347-0991.

Oct. 4

Earthwork Children's Album

The Charlevoix Public Library will be hosting a concert in celebration of Earthwork musician's new children's album from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 4.

Earthwork is a collaborative group of musicians and artists — mostly from northern Michigan.

Several Earthwork musicians joined together to create their first Children's album. Musician's that will be participating in the library's interactive concert include: Darlene, Susan Fawcett, Michael Beauchamp, Brandon Foote and Jen Sygit.

The musicians bring a wide variety of talents and expertise. Darlene is adept at every known stage skill and is apt to play one tune on a child's toy accordion and, on the next, accompany herself with a didgeridoo. Susan plays the violin, harmonica, and trombone. Michael Beauchamp spins beautifully melodic yams about the playful allure of live music. Brandon has spent the last nine years working at Lansing's historic Elderly Instruments soaking up the great mystique that dust and musical legacy leave behind, and will arrive with vintage guitar and mandolin in. To hear Jen Sygit sing reminds us that old souls do live in young minds and also plays old-time clawhammer banjo as well as the dobro.

To preview some of the Earthwork artists, visit their Web site at www.earthworkmusic.com.

Fungi and fermentation

A fungi and fermentation skill swap is from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center as we explore the wide world of fungi and fermentation.

Anyone with an interest in local foods; wild-crafting; food preservation; or tasty, healthful meals will greatly benefit from the workshops offered here.

Experienced teachers will present an array of topics, including wild mushroom hikes, mushroom dyeing, mushroom paper, cheese making, vegetable fermentation, mead making,

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and much more.

The Fungi and Fermentation Skill Swap will be held at the Wagbo Farm, located three miles south of East Jordan at 5745 North M-66.

Cost is \$20 for pre-registration by Friday, Sept. 25, or \$25 at the door. Go to www.ART-meetsEARTH.org or contact Yvonne at (231) 480-4515 or info@ART-meetsEARTH.org.

Oct. 6

Harvest potluck
The Charlevoix Historical Society is announcing their Annual Harvest Potluck at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at the Depot.

Dig out your favorite hearty recipe and gather with us for this celebration of our all too few invigorating autumn days.

Be sure to bring your own tableware and silver, plus a serving utensil for your dish if necessary.

We provide napkins, beverages, and drinking cups.

The Depot has microwaves, a fridge, a range and oven for a little preparatory work, plus electrical outlets for warming dishes.

Everyone is welcome to bring guests. The event is open to the public. Entertainment yet to be determined.

Oct. 7

Fall folk
Following the successful SummerFolk concert series, the Charlevoix Public Library has added a FallFolk concert with The SongWeavers. At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday Oct. 7, join in to listen to The SongWeavers, Pam Luce and Kelly Shively. Pam and Kelly have a repertoire that includes Appalachian harmonies, harp and mountain dulcimer numbers. Their a-cappella melodies cover a wide range of music and styles. The Folk Concerts are brought to Charlevoix for the community to share northern Michigan music in a space that celebrates their performance. CD's of the 2009 SummerFolk Series (Will & Ann Rowland, Michael Lee, Pinky Lee) will be available for sale as a benefit for future Folk music activities at the Charlevoix Public Library, which are free to the public. For further information about this or other library activities, call 237-7340.

levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, blood pressure, and a pulse reading.

The screen now includes a body fat percentage.

Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a "Know Your Numbers" health log, a pedometer, and all test results at the time of the screen. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes.

Appointments can be made in advance by calling Kathy Jacobsen RN at Charlevoix Area Hospital's Office of Community Health Education at 547-8906.

Walk-ins are welcome.

Oct. 9

Rummage, bake sale
Atwood Christian Reformed Church will be holding its annual rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday Oct. 9 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 10. Household goods, produce, baked goods and more will be offered. Atwood church is located on US-31, 10 miles south of Charlevoix. Proceeds will go toward the church building fund.

Oct. 10

Art demonstration
Bier Art Gallery will be hosting an art demonstration from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 10, six miles south of Charlevoix at the red and white schoolhouse.

It's a day to meet and talk with working artists, also refreshments will be available.

The opening reception will be on Saturday, Oct. 24.

For more information please contact Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com. Go to www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

Oct. 13 and 21, and Nov. 9
Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

New members are welcome. Nov. 9, The Booktalkers meet again to discuss Real Life and Liars, by Kristina Riggle. This is a novel set in Charlevoix where the author has visited her grandparents.

The staff at the Charlevoix Library will also be offering two other book discussion events this fall. They will be participating in the "Great Michigan Read" community discussion, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 13. This is a

community reading program for the entire state, featuring the memoir Stealing Buddha's Dinner, by Grand Rapids native Bich Minh Nguyen. The library will also once again participate in the C.S. Lewis festival by offering a discussion of The Four Loves, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 237-7340.

Oct. 11

From Noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 11, the Fall Festival is back at beautiful Camp Daggett on Walloon Lake!

Free and open to the public, this event offers new visitors a chance to see the Camp in its autumn glory, and former campers a chance to share their stories.

Enjoy activities like pumpkin painting/pet rock painting, face painting, caramel apples, kids crafts, hay rides, history tours of camp, live music, nature hikes, boat color tour on Walloon Lake, cider and doughnuts, group games and team building initiatives.

Camp Daggett also invites attendees to help provide meaningful and memorable experiences for children in need by donating to our scholarship fund.

Call 347-9742 for more information or visit www.campdaggett.com for directions.

Now through Oct. 13

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is announcing a call for entries for their first annual photography exhibit.

Entries may be submitted on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Traditional, digital and alternative -process photographic works are all invited for the jurying process. If the image has been altered, a statement of technique would be appreciated to include for educational purposes for the viewer.

The entry fee is \$20 for the first three photos submitted. Each entry after that is \$10 with a limit of five entries total.

The jury will select the images for the Exhibit as well as the top three of show.

The opening reception will be on Saturday, Oct. 24.

For more information please contact Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com. Go to www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

There is no charge but donations are gratefully accepted. A reception in the Fellowship Hall honoring Dr. Gumbleton will follow the program. For further information, contact Ellen Addington at (231) 536-7018.

Oct. 24, 25

Charlevoix High School Performing Arts will be presenting Sleepy Hollow. At 7 p.m. on Oct. 24 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 25 at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium. Cost is \$5 for students and \$7 for adults.

Oct. 31

Straits Area Amateur Radio Club Annual Swap and Shop.

Public is welcome from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Oct. 31 at Zion Lutheran Church, 500 West Mitchell, Petoskey.

Vendors can arrive at 7 a.m. Entrance fee is \$8 with a table or \$5 to purchase.

Refreshments available. There will be a 50/50 raffle and door prizes.

Must be present to win.

Lions collect glasses

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

His presentation is sponsored by the Little League for Peace and Freedom and the Northern Michigan People for Peace.

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Who gets new icebreaker?

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now more than three years after the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Acacia was decommissioned, some feel Charlevoix could still get a replacement.

With \$153 million recently

slated to build a new coast guard ice-breaking ship for the Great Lakes, talk is turning to who will build it and who will host it.

"Charlevoix is certainly in the running to headquarter the new cutter, but that decision may not be made for up to a year," stated Michelle Begnoche, communi-

cations director for District One U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee). "During this process the congressman will continue to support efforts to see the new cutter stationed in Charlevoix."

Back in January, Stupak wrote a letter to appropriations commit-

tee chairman Dave Obey requesting the funding.

"This is not an earmark request," Stupak wrote. "This icebreaker funding would protect commerce across all Great Lakes states. Insufficient ice-breaking capability hurts nationwide commerce, decreases business, and

puts jobs at risk at an already difficult economic time."

James H.L. Weakley, President of the Lake Carriers' Association, in a Sept. 24 press release, commended Stupak's position.

"In March and April of 2008, our members suffered more than \$1.3 million in ice-related dam-

ages to their vessels because the Coast Guard could not adequately maintain the shipping lanes," he stated. "When the economy is hitting on all cylinders, our members can move 20 million tons of

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Council seats

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Barring filings by write-in candidates, there are but one politico per seat in the Charlevoix City Council race.

Veterans Jill Picha and Dennis Kusina of the third and first wards respectively will be joined on this November's ballot by newcomer Bryan Vollmer.

"We've got some projects going on, and I'd like to follow through with them," said Picha, a 71-year-old wife and mother who retired from the accounting business. "I'm on the airport committee and we're going to do expansion and major remodeling on it."

Picha said she enjoys her position on council because of the people she works with.

"We have a great city manager. We can go to him or anybody (city workers) and the doors are open to talk to them if we need to."

Picha said people should vote for her because she always follows through on what she starts and she puts her constituents first.

First Ward candidate Dennis Kusina, a 60-year-old insurance agent with Farm Bureau, has a wife and two children.

Kusina has served on the city planning commission and is finishing his first term on city council.

"I am happy with the way things are going," he said. "I am also happy with the job the city manager has done and I want to make sure the city continues on the right track."

Kusina said he wants to see the improvements at the airport completed in addition to working with the city through what continues to be a tough financial time.

"It's been a pleasure serving and I think it's been a great council to work with," he said. "When I look forward I think it's going to be a tough two years, but this city council and manager and staff can handle it."

Vollmer, he did not return phone messages by press time.

However, his profile will be published as soon as he can be reached.

Residents of the First, Second and Third Wards have until 4 p.m. on Oct. 23 to file a write-in candidate for the Tuesday Nov. 3 election. Call 547-3250 for more information. Polls will be open at City Hall from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Nov. 3.



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31st Apple Fest

See page 3 for coverage of the 2009 Charlevoix Apple Fest.

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CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Robin Stewart, 47, Gaylord. Criminal enterprises, conducting; embezzlement of \$100,000 or more. Sentenced to a minimum of 60 months to a maximum of 20 years in prison with credit for 104 days in jail; \$2,004,240 in fines and costs.

Shelley Ann Stewart, 44, Gaylord. Conspiracy to commit embezzlement by an agent or trustee, \$1,000 or more, but less than \$20,000. Sentenced to a minimum of 270 days in jail; credit for 13 days in jail; to serve 270 days in jail; to serve 60 months on probation; \$2,004,240 in joint restitution plus \$850 in fines and costs.

Gregory Leonard Reed, 44,

Umatilla, Fla. Conspiracy to commit embezzlement by an agent or trustee of \$1,000 or more, but less than \$20,000. Sentenced to 180 days in jail; credit for one day in jail; to serve 180 days in jail; to serve 60 months on probation; \$2,004,240 in joint restitution plus \$350 in fines and costs.

George Edwin Reed, 67, Umatilla, Fla. Criminal enterprises, conducting; conspiracy to commit embezzlement of \$100,000 or more. Sentenced to a minimum of 50 months to a maximum of 20 years in prison with credit for four days in jail; \$2,004,240 in joint restitution.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County

Clerk's office:
ANZIO Inc., 88 Mary St., East Jordan, by Dno J. Goss

Coss Painting, 1007 May St., Apt. 5, Charlevoix, by Charles Coss

Boyne City Pizza, 1191 M75 South, Boyne City, by B C Pizza of Boyne Inc.

Curt's Garage, 06399 US 31 South, Charlevoix, by Curtis W. Thompson

T & J Entertainment, 10435 Westshore Drive, Charlevoix, by Thomas and Treasure Eggers

Middle America Up North, 615 Petoskey Ave., Charlevoix, by John Northrup

Ecker Media Inc., 3006 Ross Lane, East Jordan by Leroy G. Ecker and Sandra M. Ecker

Property Services, 04544 Champeret East, Boyne City, by Robert James Christy

Brandy Malpass, 1976 Lakonde Road, East Jordan, by Brandy Malpass

Oviedo Ranch, 11160 Detour Road, Ellsworth, by Herberto Oviedo

Dial Up One Internet Services, 4745 US 31 South, Charlevoix, by Steven Bowen

Bay Shore Storage, 06630 US Highway 31 North, Charlevoix, by Scott Featherly

MARRIAGES

The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Dale Edward Foote, 25, Caledonia, and Erica Jean Carey, 26, East Jordan

John Edward Nagle, 56, and Kim Marie Bergmann, 45, both of Boyne City

Robert Lloyd Cody, 38, and Courtney Regal Schumann, 31, both of East Jordan

Trent Gregory Ferguson, 33, and Corey Ann Proctor, 24, both of Estero, Fla.

Joseph Daniel Wood, 26, Cropwell, Ala., and Bethany Jewel Green, 22, of Charlevoix

Todd Raymond Bernhardt, 30 and Heather Lynn Ferber, 28, both of Petoskey

DIVORCES

The following people were recently granted Judgments of Divorce in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County:

Thomas Edward Hart III vs. Terry Lynne Hart

Robert Merle Fraley III vs. Enn Catherine Fraley

David Loren Fox vs. Judy Ann Fox

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Sept. 29	61	49	.71
Sept. 30	53	46	.02
Oct. 1	36	—	—
Oct. 1	53	38	—

Jam Teens 4 Africa

JAM Teens 4 Africa are American teens going to Africa to help the children. Eight local teens from Harbor Light Christian School and one homeschool teen from Harbor Springs will be traveling to South Africa in the spring of 2010 to work on improving a child care center for 30 children. Two students from Charlevoix, Suzannah, 17, and Christopher Simon, 16, are carrying on the work of their late father, Albert Simon, who worked for 20 years feeding the children in Africa and passed away in 2007. JAM Teens 4 Africa works in conjunction with Joint Aid Management (JAM), located just outside Johannesburg, South Africa, which lays the groundwork and coordinates all aspects of the projects. A dinner/auction fundraiser is planned from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Emmet County Fairgrounds Community Center. Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 per couple available at Homestead Furniture Collection on Mitchell Street, downtown Petoskey; Harbor Light Christian School, 8333 Clayton Road, Harbor Springs; or by calling 231-633-6100 or e-mailing esausan@emmet.org. Pictured are (back, from left) Caleb Lambert, Christopher Simon, Nathan Cook, Alex Powers (front, from left) Logan Kleinhenz, Suzannah K. Simon and Chloe Lee.

Courtesy photo

Something for everyone at 31st Apple Fest

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Three days, 30 varieties of apples, more than 400 dozen doughnuts, hundreds of gallons of cider and syrup, activities for children of all ages and over 100 craftsmen ready to show their wares: Charlevoix's annual Apple Festival is back for its 31st year.

The festival's focal point is the apple, proven to be the most popular fruit in North America. Northern Michigan's cool, crisp temperatures are told to produce some of the greatest and most flavorful apples in the world.

"A lot of people call this the homecoming. It's just one of those fall festivals that's community-oriented and family-oriented, and really unique to our area," said Charlevoix chamber executive director Erin Bemis.

This year, four area orchards, Royal Farms of Ellsworth, Kings Orchard of Central Lake, Friske Or-

chards of Charlevoix and Cherryview Orchards of Kewadin, are slated to showcase nearly 30 varieties of fresh apples along with a host of other fall harvest items including tomatoes, squash, pumpkins, jam, Indian corn, pies, dumplings, maple syrup, organic herbs, plants and bulbs.

What began in 1979 as a way to honor and celebrate local orchards, farmers and growers, has transformed into a weekend long community event that brings together people of all ages in celebration of the season and the bounty of the harvest.

Friskie Orchards has been involved with the festival for over 25 years and will be in attendance again this year, serving hot from the oven doughnuts, hot and cold cider and a variety of other baked goods -- along with bushel after bushel of shiny, crisp apples.

According to Friske Orchard's general manager, Jeremy Van Loo, Friske's

sells over 200 bushels of apples and over 5,000 doughnuts at the event each year.

"We appreciate the turnout and how everybody celebrates the harvest ... it's a testament to the community," Van Loo said. "We appreciate the fact that it's a commodity that the people enjoy."

Over the years, the festival has grown to include a craft show, entertainment and children's activities -- including face painting, horse and pony rides and a petting zoo.

Fifteen food vendors, among them many local nonprofit organizations, will be in attendance eager to tempt festival-goers with their tasty fall treats.

Apple growers and local orchards will line Bridge Street offering a variety of fall harvest items, and tens of thousands of visitors and area residents are expected to descend upon Charlevoix's downtown for the festivities.

Downtown Development Authority executive director, Keith Carey, describes the event as, "a grand finale to the tourism season."

"Downtown merchants and local shop owners find that it's a fantastic event for them as well," he said. "The Chamber of Commerce does a fantastic job working with the local growers to put on a really spectacular event for the entire community."

The three-day event, hosted and sponsored by the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce is always held the second weekend in October.

Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday on Oct. 9, 10 and 11 in Charlevoix's East Park, with children's activities occupying a closed portion of Mason Street.

Contact Carol Sullivan by e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com.



PHOTO BY CAROL SULLIVAN

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Cutter process a slow one

CUTTER
Continued from page 1

cargo during periods of ice cover. Those cargos of iron ore, coal, and other commodities are key to keeping the economy strong."

Weakley added, "We know the Coast Guard crews are doing their very best, but in particular, the vessels built in the 1970s just can no longer reliably meet the needs of commerce."

While the House Transporta-

tion and Infrastructure committee has put forth the budget HR 3619 with the cutter provision in it, Begnoche said people need to be patient.

"This authorization will still have to be voted on by the full House," she stated. "Then it must go through the U.S. Senate and the appropriations process before the President can sign it."

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said the city will campaign very hard to be the city that

hosts the new cutter.

"It would be great. It's what we've fought for for a long time," he said. "We've always been good to the coast guard and they've always been good to us, and I'm hoping we can continue that natural fit."

There are currently eight coast guard ships on the Great Lakes which can break ice.

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Exotic species abound in Charlevoix



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

It is that time of year when a trip out Lake Shore Drive past Boulder Park to the end of the road at Medusa Creek is worthwhile. The King Salmon are swimming up the creek. Medusa Creek, named for the original owners of the local cement plant (now St. Marys Cement), is only a couple of yards wide and shallow enough to wade easily.

But this time of year it is temporary home to salmon which were placed there three years or so ago, and have now returned to what they view as ancestral water.

The sight of even a few twenty or twenty-five pound mature salmon thrashing their way up the creek is sufficient reward for the trip out there.

The King or Chinook Salmon are, of course an alien, exotic species that have taken over as the top predator in much of the Great Lakes. They didn't sneak in here when we weren't watching as so many alien exotics have, and hardly anyone complains about their take-over of the lake ecosystem.

They were introduced by

the Michigan DNR to help solve the problem of another fishy alien invader, the Alewife.

The same location around the creek mouth is home to a couple of stands of Phragmites, which have been sprayed, but as yet show no serious signs of disappearing. It is in vigorous competition with the native cattails and some healthy willow shrubs which help hold the shore in place against the waves coming in with the north wind.

Left to their own devices, I believe the cattails would have a better than even chance of successfully competing with the Phragmites for space along the shore.

According to Ed Voss'

Flora of Michigan, a single cattail head may contain more than 200,000 tiny seeds, each one of them capable of producing a root system ten feet in diameter with a hundred shoots in just one growing season. I have difficulty understanding why phragmites is a problem and cattails are not.

Our local creek is home to more exotics than just fish and some plants. It houses a thriving population of a remarkably beautiful snail. Courtesy of Peg Meyer, I now know that the snails are Banded Wood Snails, another exotic introduced in New Jersey in 1857.

I don't believe they crawled all the way here in only 150 years. I am certain that people must move them around. The Wood Snails are about an inch or so in diameter, and have bright bands of brown, yellow and pink around the shell, and hang out on the vegetation.

They are land snails rather than water snails, and could live in your back yard if they have a few damp places.

They are somewhat invasive and may crowd out other local snails, although we don't actually know that.

Not all exotics are troublesome, and some are attractive enough to enhance our environment.

Considering the number of plants and animals that now surround us that have migrated here or been carried here from some other part of the world, we should probably just get used to the idea of exotic species.

Humans are the primary cause of such transfer, and we are not about to cease. I personally look forward to the time, some distance in the future, when all the kinds of plants and animals that can live in our environment have arrived here and become established. It will be a far more interesting place than it is now. Salmon and snails are just the beginning.

Roger Knutson's column appears twice each month in the pages of the Charlevoix Courier.

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Christine "Twinkletoes" Gwidt delves into nicknames



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwidt

Call me Twinkletoes. It was my nickname in the fourth grade because of my unconventional wind-up during recess basketball games.

My stuttering tippy-toe approach was surprisingly effective. I stood at the plate musing feverishly before the pitcher even let go of the ball. As soon as it was coming at me, I ratcheted my footwork up to the speed of a hummingbird's heartbeat, took one long stride and walloped the thing all the way to the fence. It was the only sport at which I ever excelled.

Much later, my first serious boyfriend called me Dixie, and then switched over to Flower. Both were confusing and generic. I am neither southern nor particularly fragile. I had the disturbing feeling that these nicknames may have been transferred over from my predecessors.

Following on the rounded heels of these monikers came Scooter (I walk fast), Duffy (a diminutive for duffer - I'm a really bad golfer), and Poop. The last one is what my friend's 2-year-old called me. I have a way with children.

Aside from the latter, I have never objected to being called by a nickname. It's kind of nice to answer to something other than the same old Same Old. And it's interesting when a friend goes to the trouble of framing and naming what defines you to them. Infrequently it's flattering. Mostly it's just funny or sweet, or at the very least, tolerable.

In the course of my college years, I knew people whose given names are still a mystery. I wonder whatever happened to Jameko, Garbage, Boone, Juicy Judy, Shad, Dill-r and Tire-Biter?

During this era, there was a woman who was so excruciatingly self-enchanted that she changed her own nickname like a pair of socks. It did, however, follow a theme: Skylark, Robin, Dove, Sparrow and (I remember this one because it is also a hoof disease), Thrush. People who knew her eventually gave up and just called her Birdie. That was enough to make her revert to her parent's choice.

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and she was Sue the last time I saw her.

The nickname Sugar continues to hold favor among professional athletes. I'm unable to discern the correlation between the macho persona and the syrupy suggestion of a sweetheart. Maybe it's the dichotomy that they find attractive - like calling a big man Tiny.

Tiny was also my mother's family nickname. Not because she was the runt of the litter. Her sisters were known as Tootie and Boots, so actually she got off pretty easy.

Musicians arguably have the most colorful nicknames, which hardly seems fair, given that they also have the most colorful lives. Satchmo, The Velvet Fog, Pink, Sting, Lady Day, Slash and Dizzy were all too big for the plebian scrawl on their birth certificates. Rappers and hip-hop artists have raised the bar by being the first group to be known solely by aliases.

Sometimes a person's name just doesn't fit or do justice to the scope of their personality. Sometimes you have to riff on it until a more suitable title emerges.

I've named my friends Burr, Milo, Pink Floyd, Ammo and Miss Fancypanis Know-It-All, which eventually shortened to Kia. My brother is Billiards. With the utmost affection, I call dogs under nine pounds Chicken Potpie. I don't know why, except that I love both small dogs and poultry prepared in pastry.

"Why do you call my dog that name?" Kia asks, sounding less than pleased. (She was fine with her own nickname until the car manufacturer usurped it.) Why not? It's just a verbal flourish - a maraschino cherry bestowed upon the loved one by the smitten. It's fun. And it can be significant.

The first time that I tasted that kickball, I was so stunned that I just stood there watching as it sailed past the in-field and hit the fence. "Run, Twinkletoes, run!" My team mates screamed, and Marty "Stubby" Stubbs pushed me hard. I made it all the way to third base before I was stopped.

This miracle was reenacted every time I went up and I still don't understand it. I've never been a powerful or even adequate athlete. Maybe it was a nuclear reaction between the two-toned leather of my saddle shoes and my heated pummeling feet.

Whatever the reason, it earned me my first nickname and gave me something to live up to.

Lauren was thrilled to be able to gather the donors one day to thank them. She put a glittery halo on each head. It was an emotional and tearful time, as you can imagine.

Lauren hopes that blood donors fully understand how grateful their recipients are.

The final appeal of the video's participants was, "Whose life will you save?" I want to thank everyone who made a difference for a "Lauren" over the past 15 years by supporting the American Red Cross community blood drives in Charlevoix.

Whether you contributed by publicizing the blood drives, making phone calls, baking delicious treats, providing the site, working at the blood drives, donating blood, or answering my call to volunteer in any way, I am more appreciative than words can express! The next blood drive noon until 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19, at the Charlevoix Reformed Church.

Whose life will you save? Please help the American Red Cross.

Ellen Breining
Traverse City

STOP THE VIOLENCE
Editor:

The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRC) joins the rest of the country in recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The WRC provides supportive services for survivors of intimate relationship abuse and their children throughout Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, and Oshtemo counties. While we are honored to serve the community through this work, we are also looking for ways to prevent domestic violence.

This is not just a women's issue, it's a community issue and we need the support of everyone to solve it.

We all have heard that primary prevention is important in regards to regular doctor and dentist visits, the same concept can be applied here as well.

Once an act of domestic violence occurs, we are working uphill to counteract that action.

When violence is prevented from ever happening, our community as a whole is healthier.

Let's work together to prevent domestic violence before it starts.

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LETTERS to the editor

ALANO BOARD GRATEFUL

The Serenity House Alano Club of Charlevoix recently completed a renovation project of its facility at 106 Mason St. in Charlevoix.

The recent move into our new club house is the culmination of five years of planning.

The project included demolition of one old, run down club building, remodeling of another and the construction of a large addition to that remodeled building.

Throughout this process we have been blessed with and supported by countless financial donors, generous and capable contractors and a city government that was most helpful. We take this time to express our thanks and profound gratitude to all who supported our efforts and ask you to view a complete list of donors, contractors and subcontractors at our Web site: www.charlevoixalano.org.

Richard O'Leary and the Serenity House Alano Club of Charlevoix Board of Directors

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The WRC is asking each and every one of you to help change social norms, attitudes, and behaviors that lead to domestic violence.

There are many ways community members can get involved and contribute to ending violence against women. The first and hardest thing to be done is to build a society that does not condone or support the oppression of women.

Although there are many individuals who support and promote the equality of women, there remains a lot of work to do. Each day through the media, video games, and personal interactions we are exposed to images and messages of violence and disrespect against women. The message that sends to our children and our community is that violence is entertaining, not a big deal, and a societal norm.

To counteract these images it is important to have positive role models of men and boys being respectful and supportive of women by solving problems in a non-violent way. Teaching boys and girls what is acceptable in a relationship and praising them for behavior that is non-violent is the best tool to create a non-violent future for them in their adult life. We are ALL role models, with opportunities each day to intervene at work, school, sporting events, or while walking down the street.

While alcohol and drugs may escalate violence, it is not a root cause of violence. Society needs to stop accepting excuses. There is no excuse. Recognize that having power and control over another person is not the same thing as loving them. Words can hurt; emotional and verbal cruelty is an act of violence. When you hear a sexist or demeaning remark or joke, say something that tells those around you that you do not support that attitude towards women. We must work to redefine what healthy masculinity looks like to end dangerous stereotypes. Write your legislators to continue funding programs that protect battered women and their children. Volunteer your time with an organization devoted to ending violence against women or providing mentorship to our youth. These are all ways in which everyone can be involved in creating a safer, healthier community.

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Plein air o-plenty

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is hosting a plein air paint-off during Apple Fest this year. The lone painter (top left) is the late Jerry Power, a well-known pastelist. Pictured (left) are Heiner Herling, Mary Rupp and Mike Toderoff. They were painting at Kensington Metropark outside of Detroit. Pictured (right) is a plein air piece. The circle's paint-off begins Oct. 10 at 109 Clinton St. Visit www.charlevoixcircle.org for more information.

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Grant West

Grant West, of Beaver Island, recently completed Marine Corps Infantry Training at Camp Pendleton, Calif. He was selected for advanced training in infantry missile systems including the vehicle mounted TOW missile and the new Javelin shoulder fired missile. West graduated fourth in his missile training class. He was promoted to Private First Class (PFC) in September. He has joined 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division based at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He is a graduate of Beaver Island Community School, the son of Elaine and Steve West and grandson of Helen Pike of Beaver Island.



Beaver Boodle

The 8th Annual Bite of Beaver Island Food Festival sponsored by the Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce and the seventh year for the Island Boodle 5K Run and Walk was held last weekend. Everything from salmon to beaver to ribs was served. First place went to Jackie Evans in the cooking portion and the pie brought in \$135 for the sports boosters. Here a runner participates in the 5K run.

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Alfred's new parents

Paulette and Don Hodney of Oaego attend the "Bids for Blooms" event to benefit Charlevoix's petunias. They held the winning bid for "Alfred, the Alligator." Alfred will be living with the couple's two grandsons.



What's happening at the Charlevoix Library...

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OBITUARIES

George Leonard Majors: Oct. 9, 1916 - Sept. 24, 2009

On Sept. 24, 2009, the Rev. George Leonard Majors passed away at his home in Fairbanks, Alaska.

George was born in Detroit on Oct. 9, 1916. After receiving his Bachelor of Theology degree in 1943 from Anderson College in Anderson, Indiana, he and his wife, Marie, established a Church of God congregation in Ypsilanti, Michigan. He pastored that congregation for nine years before moving to Charlevoix in 1952.

It was there that he pastored at the Community Church of God and raised his four children: George, Howard, Marilyn and Bonnie.

While pastoring in

Charlevoix, George was very involved in community activities including 10 years of service on the County Board of Health and Social Services.

In conjunction with that role he helped establish one of the first public school programs for handicapped children in Michigan.

He also served eight years as president of the Charlevoix Ministerial Association and a term as President of the Charlevoix School Board.

In 1969, the Rev. and Mrs. Majors and daughter Bonnie moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, where he helped establish and build the Fairhill Community Church of God. In 1974,

with the assistance of his daughter Marilyn, he established the Fairhill Christian School.

In 1980, George and Marilyn were involved in the construction of a new facility for the school in order to meet the needs of a rapidly growing student body.

Shortly after his arrival in Alaska, he formed the Fairbanks Chaplaincy program at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

He also served as chairman of the Alaska General Assembly for the Church of God Congregations for nearly 10 years.

George was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Elizabeth Majors; his sisters, Helen Wolf

and Marion Ross; his son, George Majors; and his daughter, Bonnie Majors. George is survived by his wife, Marie; his son, Howard Majors; his daughter, Marilyn Buchanan; his brothers, Walter and Robert Majors; his sister, Marjorie Truesdell; his grandchildren, Leah Byrd, Cynthia Buchanan, David Buchanan, Angel Stacy, Mark Majors, Carolyn Majors, Elizabeth Majors and Robert Majors; and his great-grandchildren, Daniel, Melinda, Isaac, Emily Ann, Hunter, Arctic, Merick and Emily Elizabeth.

The funeral service was held at 6 p.m. Thursday Oct. 1, at Fairhill Community Church of God in Fairbanks.

Elizabeth French Young: June 27, 1918 - Sept. 23, 2009

Betty Young, beloved wife of John G. (Jack) Young died peacefully in their home in Charlevoix, MI, on Sept. 23, 2009, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born Elizabeth Grace French in Toledo, Ohio, on June 27, 1918 to Rev. J. Leslie and Edna C. French.

Her family moved to Morgantown, W. Va., where she started school then to Caro, MI, for her last year of high school.

Betty graduated from the University of Michigan in 1940 with a degree in physical education, taught for a year in Muskegon, MI, then married Jack in July of 1941.

During the war, they lived in the Rochester, N.Y. area where she was involved in the Presbyterian Church, Girl Scouts, and an outdoor organization called the Tramp & Trail Club.

After the war, she created a loving and nurturing home for their five children in Ann Arbor where she also gave generously of her time and talents to the First Presbyterian Church.

She was a devoted choir member and very active in the women's association, Christian Education Department, and mission board, as well as the ark coffee house sponsored by the church.

Upon Jack's retirement from the University of Michigan in 1980, they became year-round residents in their summer home in Northern Michigan on Douglas Lake where Betty

had spent summers for all but one of her 91 years.

She was an enthusiastic member of the Douglas Lake Improvement Association and served in various capacities including loon patrol.

She also became active in the Church of the Straits in Mackinaw City and directed the choir and children's choir, helped with fish fries and was a representative to Presbytery.

She was also an active member of the Munro Township Helping Hands for many years.

In addition, she and Jack helped found the Northern Michigan chapter of the 70-plus Ski Club during the mid 1980s.

In 2002, they began spending winters in Charlevoix next door to their son John and his family.

During this time they were active in the First Congregational Church, UCC of Charlevoix.

Betty and Jack shared a deep love of the outdoors and were both members of the Society of Les Voyageurs at the University of Michigan.

Many of our family memories center around hiking and camping trips together.

She also loved to garden and was a great fisherman.

She will always be remembered for her kind, generous heart; always there to give support and assistance to family.

She was preceded in death by her parents Rev. J. Leslie and Edna C. French, her

sister Margaret Clink and her brother James French.

She is survived and lovingly remembered by her husband John G. Young, her twin daughters Margaret Sauvain-Lucas and Carol Kautzmann, three sons Douglas, Alan and John Young, nine grandchildren Jeffrey and Susan Sauvain, Brian, Kathryn and Christopher Young, Orin and Maya Lucas, Elizabeth Sonntag and Edward Kautzmann, and three great-grandchildren.

Hanna and Henry Sauvain and Madison Sonntag.

Memorial services for Betty will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday Oct. 11, at the First Congregational Church, UCC in Charlevoix, MI and 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at the First Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor, MI.

A life celebration will also be held in July 2010 at Douglas Lake.

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The 2009 Charlevoix Rayders homecoming court are pictured (front, from left) Taylor Storm, Caroline Dupuis, Sarah Potter, Shauna Bradley and Rachel Boss, with their counterparts pictured (back, from left) Ryan Herzog, Ty Jones, Nick Brandl, Beau Boss and Alex Foster.

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Charlevoix Rayders 2009 Homecoming Court

The 2009 Charlevoix homecoming court are as follows:

Caroline Dupuis is the daughter of Mark and Molly Dupuis. She is a member of CHS varsity soccer and traveling soccer teams. As NHS president and Student Council co-president, Freshmen Mentor, Editor-in-chief of the yearbook, and quiz bowl team member, she leads an active Rayder life. After graduation, Caroline plans on college at either Loyola, Boston College, Villanova or NYU to study business.

Ty Jones is the son of Michael and Heidi Jones. His athletic experiences include soccer, basketball and golf. He is a mentor for the junior golf program. Ty plans on playing golf in college, probably at a State University.

Shauna Bradley is the daughter of Buck and Linda Bradley. She is a Lady Rayder on the track and hold a number of the National Honor Society and Ragamuffins. After graduation, Shauna hopes to attend the University of the Nations in Hawaii.

Beau Boss is the son of Bo and Debbie Boss. Throughout high

school, he's been a Rayder athlete on the golf team and played basketball in the past. Beau is a member of the National Honor Society and a 3-year hard-working veteran of the Student Council. He volunteers in the community with his grandpa and family on the Petunia Project and at Mt. McSaub. Post-graduation plans include pursuing a mechanical engineering degree from Michigan State University.

Sarah Potter is the daughter of Michelle Himes and Kevin Potter. She is a Lady Rayder on the softball field and volleyball and basketball courts. Sarah is a member of the National Honor Society and a Freshmen Mentor. She is involved in youth group and art is a passion of hers. Her college goal is Art Therapy at a university.

Nick Brandl is the son of Rick and Maureen Brandl. He has competed well for the Rayder team on the golf course and soccer field. His college plans are to attend Central Michigan or Ferris State University.

Taylor Storm is the daughter of Dave and Debbie Storm. He has been a Lady Rayder in vol-

leyball, basketball and track and field. Taylor is on the student council, a member of the National Honor Society, yearbook editor and in Health Occupation Students of America. She is a Red Cross Blood Drive organizer and ran for Venetian Queen, earning the Scholar Award. Taylor plans on attending a university to pursue a dentistry degree.

Ryan Herzog is the son of Suzanne and Matthew Herzog. He's an avid student in the industrial

arts and classes like Advanced Engineering Design and Advanced CAD. After graduation, Ryan is researching several possible colleges to attend and further his education.

Rachel Boss is the daughter of Craig and Erica Boss. She is a Lady Rayder on the soccer field and runs with the cross-country team. Rachel is on the National Honor Society and is currently a Freshmen Mentor. She also spent her summer enjoyably mentioning a younger student in the commu-

nity. Her plans for next fall are still in the research and development phase.

Alex Foster is the son of Bill and Lori Foster. He's been involved on the student council throughout high school and is a member of the National Honor Society. He is also a freshmen mentor. Alex plans on attending college to study architecture and construction.

The homecoming parade begins at 5:30 p.m. from Charlevoix Public Library, up Clinton Street and south down State Street, ending at Kipke Field. The homecoming football game will begin at 7 p.m. The long and queen will be announced at half-time. The homecoming dance is from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Oct. 10 at Charlevoix Elementary School.

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beautiful evening, was the occasion for thanks to CHS volunteers. Most community organizations need help, and folks who are able and willing spend countless hours and resources providing it. The Historical Society has what is probably the greatest need, because there is no alternative for us. We receive no routine tax dollars and have no resources but

those coming from the kindness and generosity of caring members. We have two part-time employees: hard as they work, there is no way the CHS could have accomplished the extensive (and expensive!) renovations, preservations, programs and educational achievements already completed. It was an honor to mingle with many of you who have done so much. An elegant and lovely place built and maintained by the Charlevoix Garden Club — thank-you. The

Depot Garden was graced by the delightful music of the Tagalongs — thank-you. Our Volunteer of the Year is Chuck Unbehauen. He may be a relative newcomer to the Board, but his contributions have been awesome. He has a way of seeing things that need to be done, making a suggestion to which all agree, and executing the completion of the project. He truly is the ideal volunteer. Thank-you, thank-you, thank-you. We're so fortunate to count you as one of ours.

Chuck,
Dave Miles
Charlevoix Historical Society/
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LET'S GO TO THE DOGS

To Whom it May Concern:
Dogs can get pretty restless at home. Charlevoix needs a dog park. One reason is that there needs to be a place where dogs can run freely. Dogs can get really crazy in your house. They also need a

place where they are free to do whatever they want without getting in trouble. One other reason is that dogs need a place where they can exercise.

Dogs can get pretty lazy at home. They also stay healthy when they run in a large area. You, the owner, can also get exercise by running with your dog, so it benefits both of you.

My last reason is that your dog could make a new friend (hopefully, not an enemy). That is im-

portant because dogs can get lonely at home. They also have more fun when they can run and play with another dog they know. You could also meet another dog owner and become friends all because of your dog. Again, it benefits both of you!

Thank you for reading and that is why I think Charlevoix needs a special park just for dogs in town.

Brody Robarge
Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

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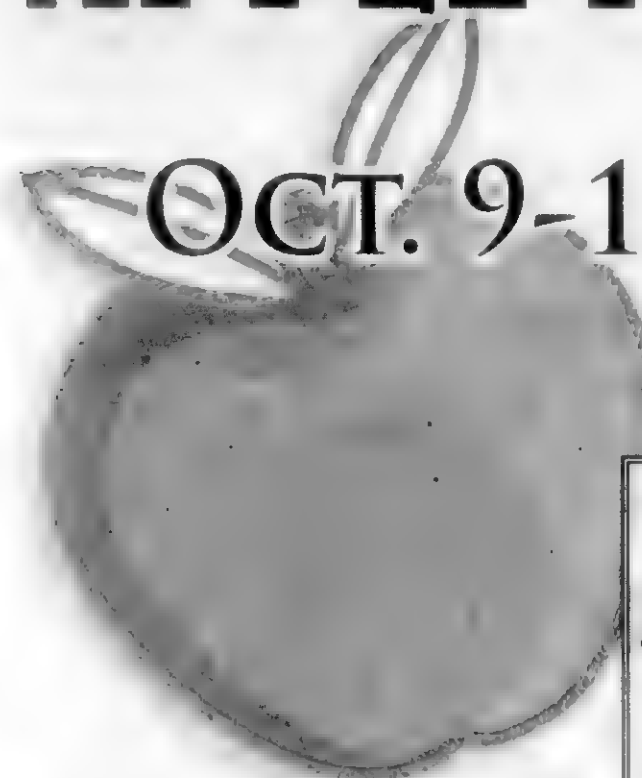
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Strong finish lifts Ramblers past Rayders, 28-20

It's not often a matter of how you start, but rather how you finish.

Such was the case for the Boyne City Ramblers Friday in a Lake Michigan Conference football game against neighborhood

rival Charlevoix.

The Ramblers held off a late Charlevoix drive and held on to earn a 28-20 victory Friday at a rainy Earl Brotherston Field.

With the win, the Ramblers keep their playoff aspirations alive

as they improve to 4-2 overall, 3-1 league, while Charlevoix falls to 3-3, 1-3.

Charlevoix, which trailed by just a point, 15-14, in the third quarter, had the ball inside the Boyne City 30-yard line with just

over a minute to play.

The Rayders put together a sustained drive beginning with just over three minutes to go and were inching towards a possible game-tying touchdown before Taylor Reinhardt sacked Rayder quarter-

back Clayton Mitchell on second down from the 27.

On third and 14, a Mitchell pass was nearly intercepted by Boyne City's Kolbi Shumaker before the Ramblers took over on downs with just 58 seconds to play on a

Bryan Wonski sack.

"It was a great high school football game," Boyne City coach Don Nobel said. "Charlevoix played hard and so did our kids."

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Environmental efforts bring success

Additional actions proposed at environmental project

"...recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

— David Menegbier
President, CMS Land Company

PETOSKEY, Mich., (Sept. 28, 2009) - CMS Land Company reports that significant progress has been made in addressing environmental issues related to the defunct cement plant that once operated on the shores of Little Traverse Bay. The abandoned site was redeveloped in 1994 into what are now Resort Township's East Park and the Bay Harbor Resort.

August water monitoring results verify that pH readings above the action level of nine have been virtually eliminated and human health and safety concerns have been effectively addressed. In August, only one reading above nine (9.12, similar to baking soda) was recorded in an isolated area west of the Bay Harbor golf course clubhouse. These results build on months of increasingly positive results and are a dramatic contrast to the dozens of pH readings above nine that were recorded in 2005, before CMS began its work at the site.

"These important environmental accomplishments are the result of a lot of hard work and substantial investment," said David Menegbier, CMS Land Company president. "The June reopening of East Park, the lifting of several health advisories, and these most recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

In reporting these results, CMS also noted two important milestones in completing work at the site: review and approval by regulators of the Remedial Investigation/Alternative Evaluation (RI/AE) studies for East Park and the Bay Harbor development and continued work to identify a local option for disposing of water collected at the site.

In late summer, CMS Land submitted the RI/AEs to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The RI/AEs use established scientific processes to evaluate the effectiveness of both current and long-term remedies at both locations. The EPA and DEQ will consider public input while reviewing the documents and then can approve the documents or request additional study. Once approved, the RI/AEs will outline the final work involved with the project.

"We believe we have done an excellent job so far. We are hopeful that the RI/AEs will be reviewed and approved in a timely manner so that we can build on our progress and bring the project to a successful conclusion," said Menegbier.

In addition, work is underway to identify a local remedy to dispose of the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor. The collection and treatment of large quantities of groundwater is the primary method CMS is using to address pH and mercury at the site. Different options under review would safely treat the water and release it to the lake, pump the water into the City of Petoskey's water treatment system for treatment, or involve the construction of a local disposal well near the site. CMS is currently shipping up to 27 trucks containing 11,500 gallons of water a day to Traverse City and Johannesburg for disposal.

"Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns, and cost, is not a realistic long-term remedy," Menegbier said. "We absolutely need—and are encouraged that the public has expressed a desire—to identify a local solution to a local concern."

East Park and Bay Harbor were reclaimed from the site of an abandoned cement factory covering 1,200 acres and five miles of Lake Michigan shoreline. The brownfield site was redeveloped in 1994 and was the largest reclamation project in North America.

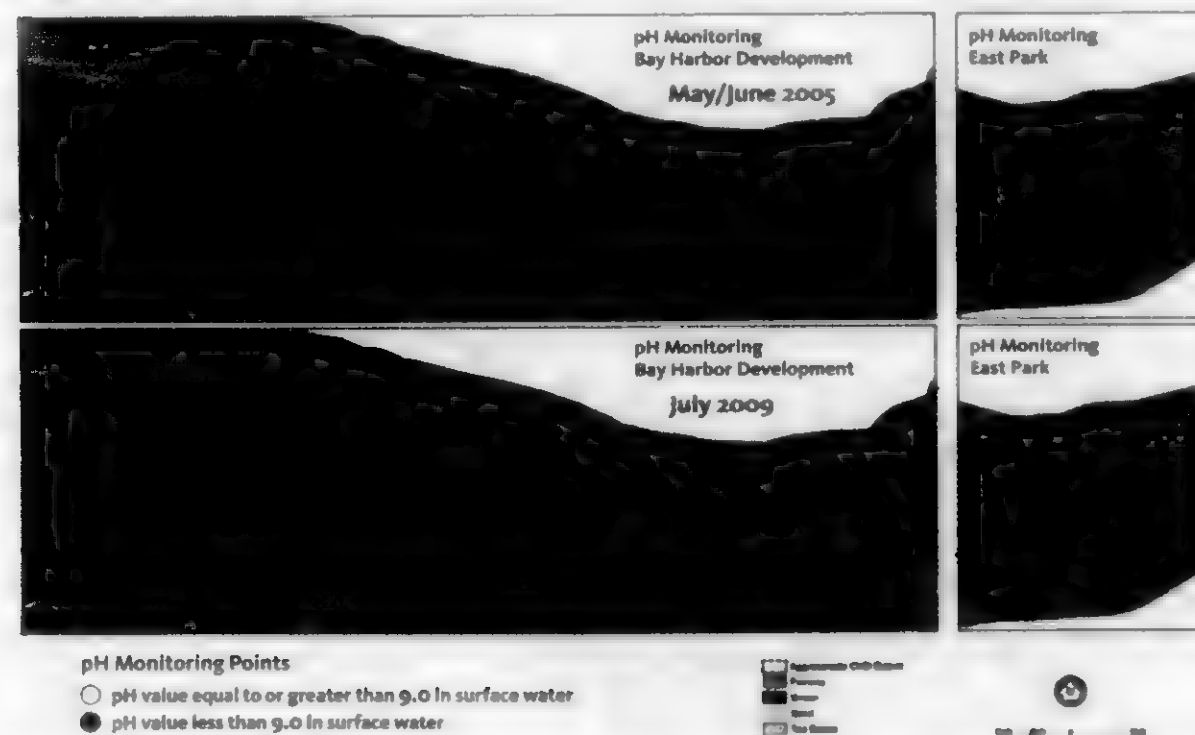
While no longer a partner in the project that redeveloped an abandoned cement factory into the Bay Harbor community and two public parks, CMS Land Company agreed to address certain environmental issues associated with the cement dust left behind by the cement plant. CMS has worked for five years and spent more than \$90 million on the project to date and has achieved significant environmental progress in the protection of Little Traverse Bay.

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The Charlevoix Rayders lost to the Boyne City Ramblers last Friday Oct. 2. The Rayders must now win the next three games in order to make the playoffs.

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Rayder Tennis results

Charlevoix finished fourth in the Conference tennis meet held Thursday Oct. 1 at Harbor Springs. Following are the results.

#1 singles Logan Kline lost to Elk Rapids, #2 singles Jake Levan, #3 singles Ben Way lost to Elk Rapids, #1 Doubles Matt Murray and Dylan Putman beat Boyne City and lost to Traverse City St. Francis. Matt and Dylan are Honorable Mention All-Conference at #1 Doubles.

#2 Doubles Trent Bradley and Blake Schulman beat Boyne City and lost to Traverse City St. Francis. #3 Doubles John Saur and Austin Lohenz beat Boyne City and lost to Traverse City St. Francis. Matt and Dylan received Honorable Mentions All-Conference at #1 Doubles. Our singles play is improving. The Rayder tennis team will next play at the Regionals at 9 a.m. Thursday Oct. 8 at Petoskey high and Harbor Springs high school courts (#2, #3 and #4 singles).

Rayders must win three to make playoffs

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We were lucky to come up on the positive end of this one in the fourth quarter. Our kids made some big plays when we needed to."

Despite three lost turnovers and two change of possessions on downs, the Rayders were able to hold off the Rayders, who turned the ball over four times themselves.

"It wasn't the neatest or the cleanest game we wanted to play," Nobel said. "Sometimes winning ugly is better than a loss and I was proud of the way we made some plays down the stretch and finished it off strong."

Charlevoix, who last week snapped a two-game losing skid

with a shutout win at East Jordan, now must win the remainder of their games to automatically qualify for the playoffs.

"It's a tough one to take, but I was proud of the way our kids played hard for four quarters," Charlevoix coach Don Jess said.

"The biggest thing now is we have to try to win our next three games and try to get into the playoffs."

"Perhaps we'll see these guys (Boyne City) again in the postseason, that'll be nice."

Charlevoix started off strong in the opening stanza as Mitchell hooked up with sophomore tight end Coby Herriman for a 25-yard touchdown pass and JT Lawrence added the two-point conversion on a pass from Mitchell for an 8-0 lead.

Boyne City tied the game ear-

ly in the second quarter as Zac Bush hit paydirt from 4 yards out following a key 42-yard completion from Nick Young to James O'Brien on fourth-and-10. O'Brien ran in the conversion to knot it 8-8.

"Nick called that play on fourth down and we thought we could hit it and he made a nice throw to James," Nobel said.

Shumaker set up and scored Boyne's next TD when he made a one-handed interception, then caught a 9-yard scoring pass from Young. Joakim Brander added the extra point as Boyne took a 15-8 halftime lead.

Midway through the third, Charlevoix's Justin Williams pounced on a Boyne City fumble at the Ramblers' 11-yard line to set up a Jake McLean 11-yard

TD run. The conversion attempt failed and the Ramblers held a 15-14 advantage.

Boyne responded with a scoring drive on the ensuing possession as Jalen Adams hauled in a 15-yard TD pass from Young to make it 22-14. Brander again added the extra point.

Just before the conclusion of the fourth quarter, former Charlevoix linebacker Brandon Darrah picked off a Mitchell pass to set up his own TD, which came via a 3-yard run to put the Ramblers up 28-14 early in the fourth.

Charlevoix then made it 28-20 with just under six minutes to go following a John Boss fumble recovery as Mitchell hit Alex Foster for a 30-yard TD strike. The conversion attempt failed as Boyne City's Evan Urban broke up a

pass in the end zone.

Mitchell and Young both turned in solid performances at quarterback. Mitchell finished 11-of-26 passing for 162 yards, while Young was 11-of-14 for 180 yards. Mitchell had four interceptions, while Young had one.

Rush led Boyne rushers with 65 yards on 16 carries, while Shumaker had five receptions for 72 yards and Adams added three receptions for 39 yards.

Defensively, Reinhardt finished with 13 tackles and Wonski added 10. Shumaker had two intercep-

tions, while Young and Darrah each added one.

Boyne City goes to East Jordan on Saturday, Oct. 10, while Charlevoix will play host to Elk Rapids Friday, Oct. 9.

"We have a tough game against Elk Rapids next week and it's our homecoming so it'll be a big game," Jess said. "I know they (Elk Rapids) beat Grayling by one point and we lost to Grayling by one."

"If we come out and turn the ball over like we did here, we'll be in trouble."

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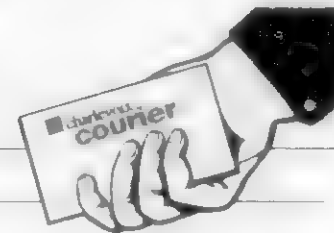
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Kitley's Farm Market under 14 soccer team was undefeated and won the tournament this season. Pictured are (front, from left) Katie Balch, Lily Matchett, Gloria Greene, Lexie Barnes and (back, from left) Ryan Joy, Katie Kitley, Abby Kroon, Jordan VanLoe, Justin VanLoe and Coach Mike Kitley.

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Student counts can help or hinder school

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

As local schools anxiously await funding news from the legislature, they mull their recently released student count day numbers.

Since schools are funded by a formula called State Foundation Allowance, the number of children which a school has directly affects the institution's budget.

"We have 396 — we're down by about 22 kids," said Charlevoix Elementary School principal Dick Swenor on the Sept. 30 student count day. "We keep track of where people go, and why they go, and almost every one of them has moved because of jobs in the last two years."

Charlevoix Middle School's count was 337 students, and Charlevoix High School's count was 372 for a district-wide total of 1,045.

Last year's total student count for Charlevoix Public Schools was 1,178.67 — the 67 of a student is derived by including the fractional instruction time St. Mary School students once received in physical education, music and technology. The two schools now only have a contract for

technological instruction.

Last year's breakdown for the September student count shows the high school with 411.42, the middle school with 342.98 and elementary with 424.27.

If you multiply the drop of 67 students by last year's per pupil funding amount of \$8,424, Charlevoix Public Schools will lose nearly \$564,408 this budget year.

And that, said Charlevoix Public Schools business manager Shawn Biddle, is assuming there will be no cuts to this year's foundation allowance.

"The latest we heard was there would be an increase by \$218 per pupil plus categorical cuts for things like at-risk (programs) and declining enrollment (programs)," he said.

"Last year there were cuts, but the state back-filled using stimulus money."

Swenor said the obvious solution to this problem is for Michigan to regain its financial footing.

"We've had a really exciting, great start to school even with the down climate in the financial realm," he said. "We've lost kids, but it's been a good smattering across the classrooms so it hasn't affected our staffing levels. There are just fewer kids here and there, but you're not going to be able to do that for very long."

Swenor added, "I think we've lost more families to

out of state (in the last couple years) than in my whole 12 years before that."

While Charlevoix Public Schools officials continue to struggle with a continued decline in enrollment, Northwest Academy of Charlevoix is working to cope with a continued increase.

"Last year's September count was 74, so we have a few more kids at 81, but the biggest jump is the Seat Time Waiver kids," said Northwest Academy school administrator John Bailey.

Northwest's total count is 131.18 students. The .18 of a student reflects the work Northwest does with home-schooled children who take music and foreign language classes at the school.

"It's really taken off for us," Bailey said of the Seat Time Waiver program which allows people children through young adults to take online classes from home.

"They (State of Michigan) did us a great favor by upping us to 50."

Bailey's former cap on Seat Time Waiver students was 25. "Our philosophy is that we need to fit the program to the kids, as opposed to the other way around, and I think that's what is drawing people in," he said.

It costs more per student to do Seat Time Waiver than to do regular students because in our plan we provide a computer, Internet hookup at home and we pay a mentor

to work with them either at home or here."

Student count days are held the fourth Wednesday after Labor day and the second Wednesday after February each year.

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Keep Inflation in Mind When Investing

Benjamin Muladore
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As an investor, you're always aware of the potential effects of market volatility on your portfolio. But you also need to pay attention to another factor that could impact your investments' return — inflation.

If you look back over the last few decades, you might not think inflation is much of a threat. Since the double-digit rates of the early 1980s, inflation has fallen significantly and, for the most part, has stayed low. Still, over time even a mild annual inflation rate can eventually erode your purchasing power.

Obviously, if you're a retiree, or close to retiring, you need to plan for the impact of inflation on your income stream, which may, to a large degree, depend on the types of investments you own. But

even if you're at an earlier stage in life, you need to think about inflation because it can reduce the "real" rate of return you receive on your investments.

In any case, you can find investments that may be able to help you cope with inflation. When you own stocks, for example, you've got an ownership stake in companies that have the ability to raise prices — which make them effective inflation-fighting investments. Keep in mind an investment in stocks fluctuates and you can lose your money.

But one of the biggest inflation-fighting benefits of stocks is the dividends that they may pay. Well-run companies may reward investors by paying them back with dividends — and some companies have increased their dividends annually for decades. A word of caution, though: Companies can reduce or eliminate them at any time, without notice. In fact, during the long market slump we experienced, some companies did cut back on their dividend payments.

Not all stocks pay dividends, of course. In any case, if you're going to maintain a balanced portfolio, you'll also want to own other types of investments, such as bonds. But many bonds — along with other fixed-income vehicles, such as Certificates of Deposit — are not good "inflation fighters" because the fixed rate of return they offer simply may not keep up with inflation. However, if you built a "bond ladder" — that is, a group of bonds with varying maturities — you'd have more flexibility in combating inflation, because your longer-term bonds typically offer higher interest rates.

What about the so-called "inflation hedges," such as commodities and real estate? Actually, these "hedges" are extremely volatile and should be approached with great caution. You need look no further back than the bursting of the housing "bubble" to see that real estate, for instance, can go down just as fast as it goes up — and once down, it can take years to recover.

In your efforts to invest wisely for the future, inflation is only one of the variables you need to consider. But it can be an important one — so make sure you choose the investments that both address inflation and can help you make progress toward all your financial goals.

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CASE NO. 08-0346-22-CK
CIRCUIT COURT SALE

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, made and entered on February 27, 2009, Independent Mortgage Company, A Michigan Banking Corporation in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Independent Mortgage Company, A Michigan Banking Corporation was the Plaintiff and George R. Hanor and Kristine L. Hanor, husband and wife were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, MI, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for Charlevoix County, on the 9th day of October, A.D., 2009, at 1:00:00 AM o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, to-wit:

All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Hayes, County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, State of Michigan
UNIT 17, STONEBRIDGE CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED AS RECORDED IN LIBER 369, PAGES 782 THROUGH 829, INCLUSIVE, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND AMENDED BY THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 383, PAGES 305 THROUGH 312, INCLUSIVE, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND AMENDED BY THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 413, PAGE 343, AND THIRD AMENDMENT IN LIBER 625, PAGE 813, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS, AND DESIGNATED AS CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CONDOMINIUM PLAN NO. 87, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE MASTER DEED AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED

This property may be redeemed during the 90 days following the sale.

Dated: August 26, 2009

WILLIAM D. SCHNEIDER
Charlevoix County Sheriff
WILLIAM, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
John E. Melton (P-56294)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2155 Butterfield Drive
Suite 200
Troy, MI 48064/WWW10016073
(826)902.919/16.9/23.9/30.10/07

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Deborah A. Davies and Henry A. Davies, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 119 Hampton Rd, Charlevoix, MI 49720-1701.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1302.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at (800) 968-0738 or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing

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counselor within 14 days from October 2, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after October 2, 2009. If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. DATE: October 7, 2009. For more information, please call: FCX (248) 593-1302.

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder

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File # 286268F01

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Cheryl A. Louise and Bradford G. Louise, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 311 Antrim St, Charlevoix, MI 49720-1202.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Claude Cutler II, aka Claude A. Cutler II, A Single Person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2006, and recorded on July 24, 2006 in Liber 757 on Page 315, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Midfirst Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Seven And 9/100 Dollars (\$123,247.91), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 16, 2009.

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such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 30, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A.

Commencing at an iron stake at the South quarter corner of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 6 West; Thence along the South line of said Section, North 89 degrees 47 minutes 20 seconds West (recorded as North 89 degrees 19 minutes 30 seconds West) 330.04 feet to the West line of the East half of the East half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest fractional quarter of said Section, being the point of beginning of this description; Thence continuing along said section line, North 89 degrees 47 minutes 20 seconds West (recorded as North 89 degrees 19 minutes 30 seconds West) 783.67 feet to a 1/2" re-rod; Thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 40 seconds East 300.00 feet to a 1/2" re-rod; Thence North 21 degrees 26 minutes 41 seconds East 234.91 feet to a 1/2" re-rod on the South side of Deer Creek; Thence continuing North 21 degrees 26 minutes 41 seconds East 110.00 feet to a 1/2" re-rod; Thence North 21 degrees 26 minutes 41 seconds East 234.91 feet to a 1/2" re-rod on the South side of Deer Creek; Thence continuing North 21 degrees 26 minutes 41 seconds East 110.00 feet to a 1/2" re-rod on said West line of the East half of the East half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest fractional quarter of said section; Thence along the aforementioned line, South 00 degrees 19 minutes 14 seconds West (recorded as South 00 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West) 625.47 feet to a 1/2" re-rod on the North line of said highway; Thence continuing along the last described course, South 00 degrees 19 minutes 14 seconds West (recorded as South 00 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West) 30.49 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the South half of the Southwest fractional quarter of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 30, 2009.
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 30, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a Charlevoix County Marker at the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 34 North, Range 6 West; thence along the North line of said section South 88 degrees 57 minutes 17 seconds East 1319.88 feet to the West 1/8 line of said section; thence along said 1/8 line South 0 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds West (recorded as South 0 degrees 32 minutes 52 seconds West) 2107.51 feet to the center line of Stover Road; thence continuing along said road line South 89 degrees 25 minutes 17 seconds East 75.50 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod; thence South 0 degrees 34 minutes 43 seconds West 82.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 17 seconds West 20.0 feet to a 1/2 inch re-rod; thence South 0 degrees 34 minutes 43 seconds West 38 feet to a concrete monument; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 17 seconds West 52.55 feet to a concrete monument; thence North 0 degrees 49 minutes 34 seconds West 120.04 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Township 34 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 30, 2009.
For more information, please call: FC G (248) 593-1310.
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on October 16, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The North half of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Town 34 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan, at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 6, 2009.

Said premises are located in Wilson Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

PARCEL B. Commencing at a Charlevoix County monument at the North 1/4 corner of Section 5, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; thence along the North and South 1/4 line of said section, as monumented, South 00°28'16" West 1768.64 feet to the point in the centerline of Wilson Road, being the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence continuing along said 1/4 line and along the centerline of said road, South 00°28'16" West 333.40 feet; thence parallel with the North 1/8 line, North 89°44'39" West 33.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the West line of said road; thence continuing

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Wednesday, October 7, 2009

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

professional genealogist, and her Associate Barbara Manley Hemden, will be offering a series of four classes to lead a beginner, or more advanced researcher, through the process of finding their own family history.

Classes will be offered from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Ironton Congregational Church, 03582 Washington St., in Ironton.

Participants are encouraged to bring with them as much family history information that they already have.

Oct. 12 - "Full Speed Ahead ... Who am I?" — The first class is an introduction to genealogy, local and family history and how the three intertwine. The terms used throughout the course will be introduced and personal research for each participant will begin.

Oct. 13 - "Charting the Course ... Where do I go and what do I do?" — The second class will concentrate on a system of organization to maximize search results. Charts used for research will be explained and participants will begin to fill in their own records.

Oct. 21 - "The tools of the trade ... places to research." — The third class reviews the materials that the participant has assembled and then moves into all the many possibilities of places to research, the Internet being one of the tools. Time constraints for this class do not allow for detailed computer research.

Oct. 22 - "Branches and twigs ... adding the rest of the story." — The final class in this series discusses how to branch out in research to find the missing lines in your family tree. Interviewing and corresponding with family members and local

residents are taught and the necessity of resource evaluation is evaluated. Lastly when to write up your family history and how is discussed.

The cost for all four classes will be \$25 or \$10 for an individual class.

Detailed handouts and charts to fill out are included and distributed with each class.

For further information or to register, please contact Carol at 231-582-7042 or e-mail to cgooden123@aol.com.

Also, a new genealogy, family, and local history study group is being organized. It will be called the "C.A.R.E." for Charlevoix Area Research Experience.

Study Group and will meet the second Tuesday of the month at the Ironton Congregational Church.

The first meeting will be from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 10.

This meeting and those to follow will give genealogists an opportunity to share their own research successes and frustrations and help will be given to all.

Projects of local interest will also be undertaken and developed along with the group's interests.

A meeting for anyone interested in telling the story of the Ironton area will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25.

OCT. 10 Fifth Annual Chili challenge

Now during Apple Fest, the annual United Methodist Chili Cook-off is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 10 at the United Methodist Church on the corner of Clinton and State streets.

Six restaurants are vying for the title of "Best Chili in Town."

The public is welcome to attend this event as they will be the ones judging who has the best chili.

Tickets are \$5 per person; \$4 per senior citizen and children 12 and younger are \$2.

You will receive a voting ballot, chili, onion and cheese toppings, sour cream, crackers, corn bread muffins, ice cream and a beverage.

Homemade pies by the slice for an extra price along with whole pies will be for sale from the ladies of the Methodist women.

Macaroni and Cheese for children who do not like chili will also be offered.

Call with what dish you'll bring.

Wear your Christmas Outfit.

There will be a \$10 gift exchange at Lee's, 1459 Kemp Road, Petoskey.

Social hour at 5 p.m., with dinner at 6 p.m.

RSVP is required. Call Frieda at 347-3438 at Zion, 347-5747 or e-mail frieda@compnec.com

PLEIN AIR

There will be a plein air paint outing on Oct. 10. Painting locations will be assigned that day.

Anyone interested may call 547-3554. Paintings will be framed and displayed at the circle.

Art Demonstrations will be shown at Bier Gallery and Wind Ridge Gallery across from Bier Gallery. Well known artist Cal Kemppainen will be a participant.



COURTESY PHOTO

Save lids to save lives

Students at the Charlevoix Children's House are holding their third annual Pink Lid Drive. Collect Pink Yoplait yogurt lids and bring them to the school on or before Dec. 15. Yoplait will donate 10 cents for every lid to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Lids can be dropped off at Charlevoix Courier 112 Mason St. and the lids will be sent to the children's house.

SINGLES FOR CHRIST

Lee leaves for Texas, so we will pre-celebrate with a "Christmas" Potluck.

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Plein air painting is the art of painting outside in nature's elements.

From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. there will be a wine and cheese reception at the circle.

Circle artist James Koslowsky will be creating a work of art from the circle's booth at Apple Fest Oct. 9, 10 and 11.

Also, the Africa exhibit has been extended through the fall.

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OCT. 11

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Teacher contracts settled

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The Charlevoix Public Schools Board of Education passed new teacher and support staff contracts by votes of 6-1 on Monday Oct. 12.

Both sides agreed it was a

long, tough journey fraught with heated rhetoric and missteps in the negotiation process, but concessions by both the teachers' union and school administration brought the 20-month siege to an end.

"I'm glad we have the con-

tract settled because I think that is a huge step forward," said Charlevoix Education Association president and Charlevoix High School government teacher Annmarie Conway. "Obviously the financial issues are always go-

ing to be there, but I think if we can put a plan together ... where we know who's retiring three years ahead, not having to replace people who are retiring to a certain point."

Board member Valerie Snyder was the lone "nay" on

both the vote for the support staff's contract and the teachers' contract, calling the contract a failure.

"We always said we need reform and savings now. This contract is a financial wash," she said. "I agree there are

some long-term savings built into this contract, but ... this contract is for three years. These are terms the district cannot sustain."

Janik said, if you tally the

See CONTRACT, page 3

East Park a 'Great Space'

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Often referred to as a jewel for its aesthetics and functionality, East Park has been officially recognized as a "Great Public Space."

The American Planning Association made the announcement early Wednesday Oct. 7, and Charlevoix city officials were elated.

"I'm absolutely thrilled," said Charlevoix Mayor Nor-

man Carlson Jr. "Thanks to Mike Spencer (Charlevoix City Planner) for his hard work. This is more evidence of the community coming together for a project to bring this to fruition as far as something that's enjoyed by all."

He added, "And it's quite

apparent that other people agree."

According to planning association communications director Mittie Rooney, the planning association singled out East Park for several reasons including the unwavering commitment of succeeding generations of town leaders and residents who, over a 70-year period, acquired the privately-held land used to build the waterfront park.

"APA (American Planning Association) also applauds this public space, which reopened in 2008 after undergoing a complete renovation, for its environmental best practices," Rooney stated in the Oct. 7 release. "APA Great Places offer better choices for where and how people work and live. They are enjoyable, safe, and desirable."

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Rayder royalty

Sarah Potter and Ryan Herzog bathe in the limelight shortly after being named Charlevoix High School Homecoming 2009 queen and king respectively. For more pictures of homecoming festivities, go to page 20.

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BIRTHS

Brandon Matthew Arnold weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces was born Sept. 26, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Anita Madagame and George Arnold of Central Lake. His siblings are Jason, Garry, Jessica, George and Tim.

His grandparents are Jean Madagame and the late Leonard Madagame of Alba, Garry Arnold of Central Lake and Linda Dodd of Broham.

Ava Mackena Belford weighing 8 pounds, 8 ounces was born Sept. 24, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jesse and LeeAnne Belford of Boyne City. Her grandparents are Tom and Elaine Whipp of Petoskey and Jeff and Nancy Belford of Boyne City. Her great-grandparents are Eugene and Rube Belford of Boyne City.

Curtis William Crawford weighing 6 pounds, 1 ounce was born Sept. 24, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jon and Shannon Crawford of East Jordan. His siblings are Alex and Kately. His grandparents are Ruth and Glenn Crain of Charlevoix and Tony and Jeni Futen of

Virde, Ill. His great-grandparents are Yvonne Combet of East Jordan and JoAnn Rose of Girard, Ill.

Addison Vivian Shearer weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces was born Sept. 29, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Anthony and Tonya Shearer of Charlevoix. Her sibling is Kaidence. Her grandparents are Brad and Vivian Shearer, Dave McFalls of Charlevoix, and Connie Nelson of Ellsworth. Her great-grandparents are Patricia Oliver of Charlevoix and Margaret Shearer of York, Penn.

Isabella Brown Wise weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces was born Sept. 23, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Michael and Stacy Wise of East Jordan. Her grandparents are Fred and Kay Brown, L.D. and Denise Wise all of Alma.

Kay Lana Yarbrough weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces was born Sept. 29, at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Tiffany and Scott Yarbrough of Boyne City.

POLICE BUSINESS

PI accident
At 10:05 a.m. on Sept.

28, Beaver Island Sheriff's Deputy and EMS were dispatched to the intersection of Kings Highway and East Side Drive, Peaine Township for a Personal Injury Accident.

The accident investigation revealed that a southbound vehicle on Kings Highway, driven by Joshua Runberg, 25, of Beaver Island, at tempted to turn left on to East Side Drive and failed to yield to a northbound vehicle on Kings Highway.

Runberg's vehicle, a 2001 Ford F250 crashed head-on with the northbound vehicle, a 1987 Ford Crown Victoria driven by Rose Connaghan, an 83-year-old Beaver Island woman. Rose Connaghan and her passenger, Steven Connaghan, 53, were both injured in the crash.

Rose received serious injuries and was taken to the Beaver Island Medical Center.

Steven Connaghan sustained life-threatening injuries and was airlifted to Traverse City.

Alcohol was not a suspect in the crash. Non-use of safety belts was a factor in the crash.



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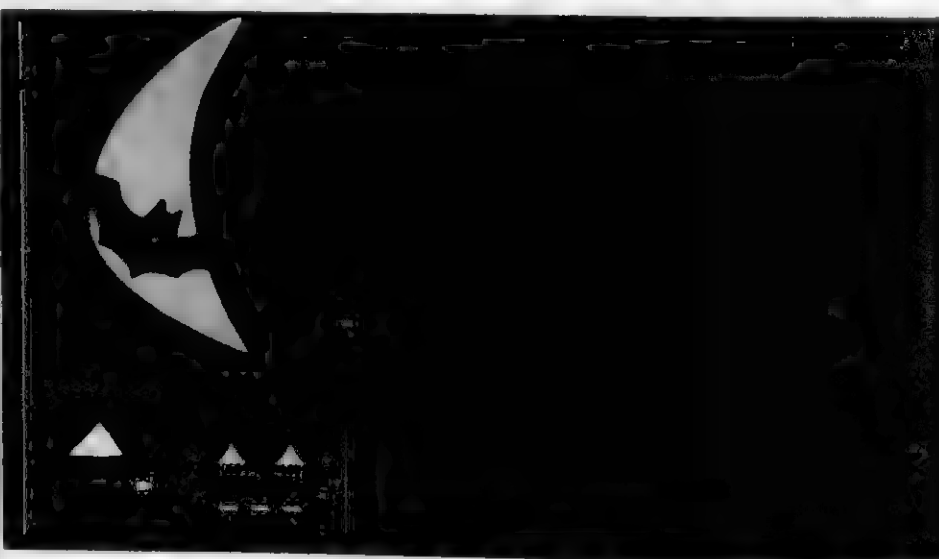
She said 'Yes'

Following three years of dating, Adam Dzwik (kneeling) took two weeks to plan a wedding proposal to Charlevoix High School English teacher Jill Tabaczka during the Charlevoix Rayders' 2009 Homecoming assembly on Friday Oct. 9 in the school's gymnasium. The Tabaczka/Dzwik wedding is tentatively planned for Sept. 4 2010, the same anniversary as both of their sets of parents.

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'Evil' author to speak

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Weather

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National honor for East Park

AWARD

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They are places where people want to be — not only to visit, but to live and work every day."

Spencer said the planning association looked at neighborhood character, history

of the property, architecture and the amount of community involvement in addition to unique

features that distinguish the park from other public spaces.

"It's a recognition that the park is a great asset to the community," Spencer said.

"It was over six months and we made it through three rounds of cuts of over 300 applications from all over the United States."

City Manager Rob Straebel said this is a first for East Park.



Straebel

"I think this is just another feather in the city's cap that we build things with quality, with style and with environmental sustainability all taken into consideration," he said.

"It certainly sets the highest standards for the community."

Chosen along with 10 other "Great Public Spaces" by the planning association, East Park joins the ranks of honorees like The Grand Rounds, Minneapolis, Minn. and Lincoln Park in Chicago, Ill.

The seven other spaces awarded are as follows:

Virginia Beach Boardwalk, Virginia Beach, Va.
The Squares of Savannah, Savannah, Ga.

Central Square, Keene, N.H.
Queens Botanical Garden, Flushing, N.Y.

New Haven Green, New Haven, Conn.
The Green, Dover, D.E.

Central Market, Lancaster, Penn.
Previous honorees include New York's Central Park.

The city will likely have an official celebration of the honor sometime next summer with details to follow.

East Park timeline

1924 - A fire took out a building on the east side of Bridge Street. This opened the view to Round Lake.

1940s - Charlevoix Mayor Robert Bridge worked with council to acquire more tracts to increase the scope of the view corridor.

1982 - East Park was redesigned on paper, but the work would have to wait.

2001 - The park is once again redesigned on paper.

2007 - East Park reconstruction began.

July 20, 2008 - East Park opened for Venetian Festival.

May, 2009 - East Park is completed when the Interactive trout stream feature is finished.

Parking problem percolating in Charlevoix Township

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Civil unrest was the last thing on the collective minds of Charlevoix Township officials when they erected three parking designation signs at Stroud Hall.

However, according to some locals, they are unhappy with the decision by the township supervisor, clerk and treasurer to cordon off their own private parking spaces via metal signs.

"I think it's completely wrong," said township resident Richard Stangis. "I don't know

when they're so busy they have to park right in front of the building."

Charlevoix Township Clerk Carol Martin said the reserved parking spaces are necessary.

"People often park in those spots in the morning and are there all day while they ride the trails," she said. "The officials have to carry boxes and brief cases and such items in and it makes things difficult (to park far away)."

Area resident and business owner John Haggard said he is

concerned for the township's elderly who must transact business on a regular basis.

"I really think it's probably poor judgment on the part of the elected officials to take prime parking spots when handicapped people have to walk across the parking lot," he said. "I don't mind them reserving the spots on the (north end) of the parking lot and maybe turn their into handicapped parking."

According to Charlevoix Township Supervisor Dale Glass, the parking spaces closest

to the building cannot be used for handicapped parking due to the high curb which would prevent wheelchair access.

"Why would anybody care about some parking signs?" Glass said. "We have lots of parking places there and we're not obstructing people."

Glass added that there is a van-accessible parking spot for the handicapped just to the east of the reserved parking spaces near the township hall.

Glass agreed with Martin's assessment that, between bicy-

clists and people involved with the soccer games at the nearby township field, finding a parking space near the building can often be burdensome.

"There are 150 parking places. It is hard for me to believe anybody is upset over this," he said. "We have a wheelchair ramp right up front and two more (handicapped accessible spots) across the lot."

The three metal signs cost a total of \$90.30; posts were \$35.98; miscellaneous hardware was \$4.80 and labor cost the

township taxpayers \$24.44 for a grand total of \$155.52 to erect all three signs.

"We just thought it would make things easier," Glass said. "If someone really has that big of a problem with it then I guess we can take out the signs."

He added, "It's not to inconvenience the taxpayer."

Stangis said he would like to see the signs moved to the east of the building or be removed.

Glass said not one township resident has come to the board with a complaint over the signs.

Board, union agree on labor terms

CONTRACT

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total expenditures versus savings in the contract, the school system comes out ahead. However, he could not say by how much.

Compensation and health insurance were the two major sticking points in the nearly 25 items that were up for negotiation.

The teachers accepted no across-the-board raise for the 2008/2009 school year. They will receive a 1.25 percent increase for both the 2009 2010 and 2010-2011 school years.

The raise will cost the school system \$187,500 over the life of the contract.

The other major concession teachers made was in their prescription drug coverage.

Previously, teachers were reimbursed for all but .50 cents of each drug purchase. They will now be reimbursed for all but \$5 on generic drugs and \$10 on premium drugs.

Superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools Chet Janik said the prescription drug concession will save the schools approximately \$150,700 each year.

Teachers also conceded a major portion of their sick-day reimbursement. Previous to the newly ratified contract, teachers could be reimbursed for up to 90 unused sick-days upon their retirement. Reimbursement is now capped at 45 sick-days.

Another savings for taxpayers came in the decrease in the health insurance buyout.

Previously, teachers received \$616.37 per month if they opted out of the insurance plan. That rate has been frozen for current teachers opting out and the rate for new hires will be \$500 per month.

"For the first time in approximately 20 years there was actually intense, serious negotiations," Janik said. "The staff did make some sincere concessions ... and there is no question these concessions will have an impact."

Janik said the school will also move from semesters to trimesters in order to save the school an as-of-yet undetermined amount of money through decreases in staffing levels.

The school system is currently projecting a \$1 million

shortfall for the next budget year just as news the state would be cutting student aid by \$165 per student.

Board member Beau Boss

said he thinks the board, staff and administration can devise a solution to the apparent impending budget crisis if they "put their heads together."



(l to r, Don Mason, Connor Dixon, Shari Jones, Dana Ryjas, Norman Amos, Don Jess)

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Messages, from here to E-ternity



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

I found the well loved white box with the words J. L. Hudson (I don't remember the gold in gold staring back at me.

It was home to a nest full of letters banded together with ribbons and teardrops.

Opening this treasure evoked memories that were welcoming me like a home cooked meal. An almost spiritual event reliving the past and taking away from it lessons on how to live the next chapter of life.

There were letters and notes explaining where I've

come from and an understanding of this life with renewed respect; imprints from pens that held their ink from a bottle where the tip had to be dipped or in later years a small lever drawn back and then carefully placed into the blue-black liquid drawing it in and then tapped to release its excess.

Writing letters was more than just a journal of notes on life but a respected art form. It was important to pick the right material; finding just the right pen to touch papers the likes of onion skin and others similar to fine linen; letters written years before I was even a heartbeat.

Personal notes shared between a man and a woman separated by war that kept them apart for a year.

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and its texture but the scent it carried. It brought two people closer than any text, twitter or e-mail ever could.

Call me old-fashioned but, as I peruse my mail each day, it's the handwritten envelope that gets my attention first.

My mailbox is littered with shiny ads and typed labels that quickly find their next life in the recycle box.

As life moves in a quickened pace and I feel yesterday is actually today, I appreciate the task that it takes the right pen to touch papers the likes of onion skin and others similar to fine linen; letters written years before I was even a heartbeat.

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days, anniversaries, pregnancy, or someone's passing there is a volume of face book writers notifying the writer they care by texting a reply.

When having a bad day, the writer lets the world know about it and again well meaning responders reflect and reply giving immediate feedback.

Although this may be very helpful to many readers it will not replace the warm hug, face-to-face contact or thoughtful handwritten letter or note that leaves an imprint forever. Quick messages give instant feedback to our "life is too busy" generation. Albeit good for the moment but, in the long run, easily deleted and forgotten.

Handwritten letters are still the best and who doesn't have a sense of glee seeing a hand addressed envelope in their mail box.

Handwriting is quickly becoming a lost art of communication.

Mom saved those love letters from dad for over 50 years and they are still treasured today.

Letters re-read until they were worn and tear stained.

No chance to delete or cut and paste.

Written thoughtfully with full knowledge that saving them meant knowing they could be read by another generation.

Although some may argue, "Who has the time to do this?" there is nothing like getting a hand written personal note over a quick response in an e-mail.

With the ease of texting and twittering I feel communication in the form of personal notes has become a dying art.

An art it truly was.

Penmanship was stressed in third grade and neatness was important for the reader as well.

Calligraphy today is only saved for wedding invites and special occasions.

At the close of every wedding ceremony there is the signing of the wedding license.

It's my job to make certain everyone signs on the correct line provided.

My case in point with letter writing is I need to explain a signature or the term handwritten means.

What throws some of them is to print their name underneath their signature.

Many will respond with, "I've forgotten how to print, this task is difficult."

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Perils of penny pinching: A tale of product disloyalty



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwilt

I never should have picked up a tube of hydrocortisone cream ended up in the Dental Care Drawer.

The Dental Care Drawer is exactly that; a separate entity dedicated to all things toothy.

Floss, spare brush heads for the electric toothbrush, bristly plastic toothpicks, rinse and tubes of Aquafresh toothpaste. Nothing else.

I like Aquafresh. I like the taste and the plucky assertion that it will "show your whole mouth with germ killing bubbles."

I like the reflective silver packaging that subliminally suggests that this is the dentifrice of the future.

It claims a "professionally developed micro-polishing system" that will result in a smile

so dazzling that the user could presumably signal an airplane with a smile on a sunny day. And I appreciate a company that employs professionals when developing their product. It's comforting to know that I'm placing my consumer faith in something that hasn't been hodge-podged together by a group of miscreants.

Plus, it's ultra-minty and packs enough of a wallop to make my eyes water.

So why, with all of the obvious benefits that I have enjoyed through my years as a loyal Aquafresh customer, would I switch to another brand? I had a coupon.

Coupons are seductive. I have been induced to purchase items for which I have no use at all, simply because the deal was too good to pass up.

I'm not a tea drinker, but I have a couple of dusty boxes of Lipton

(two for one, with coupon) in my pantry, still bound in cellophane. I have a tub of off-brand laundry detergent - enough to pollute a small inland lake with frothy suds - that I cannot use due to my severe allergic reaction to something in its composition. (In fact, the resulting maddening rash is the reason that I have a tube of hydrocortisone in the first place.)

But it cost nearly one-third less than my usual brand of detergent. And, I had a coupon.

So when I found myself in possession of a scrap of paper that would allow me to skim \$1 off of the cost of a competitor's toothpaste, I heeded the bait.

I bought the smallest tube permissible under the terms of redemption, took it out of the box and dropped it into the Dental Care Drawer.

When I grabbed the cheerfully

blurred red, yellow and white tube and loaded my toothbrush that night, I registered mid-squeeze that the contents seemed somewhat depleted. Oh well, I thought, I must have picked up my husband's tube of enamel protecting toothpaste.

He'd mentioned that it tasted terrible, but I supposed I could handle one application, since I'd already squirted the stuff onto my brush.

Terrible would have been an improvement. It not only tasted like nothing I'd ever put in my mouth before in my life, but the texture was slick and oily. It coated my teeth and tongue like a mouthful of Janitor in a Dream Flavored Land.

I kept brushing. "Oh, yuck," I moaned around the electric hum of the vibrating brush. "How does he stand it?" I said it aloud, and it came out,

"Uh, uck, 'ow 'oes 'e 'and it'?"

I began to suspect that something was very wrong when my tongue went numb. I snatched my glasses from the countertop and glared at the tube.

I gargled and spat and scrubbed with the fury of a snakebite victim attempting to suck venom from a wound.

I rinsed and attached a new head to my toothbrush and repeated the process. Insensitivity, akin to a low dose of Novocain, permeated my mouth, along with a residual tang of industrial-strength disinfectant.

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E-mail Christine Gwilt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Brother's beauty

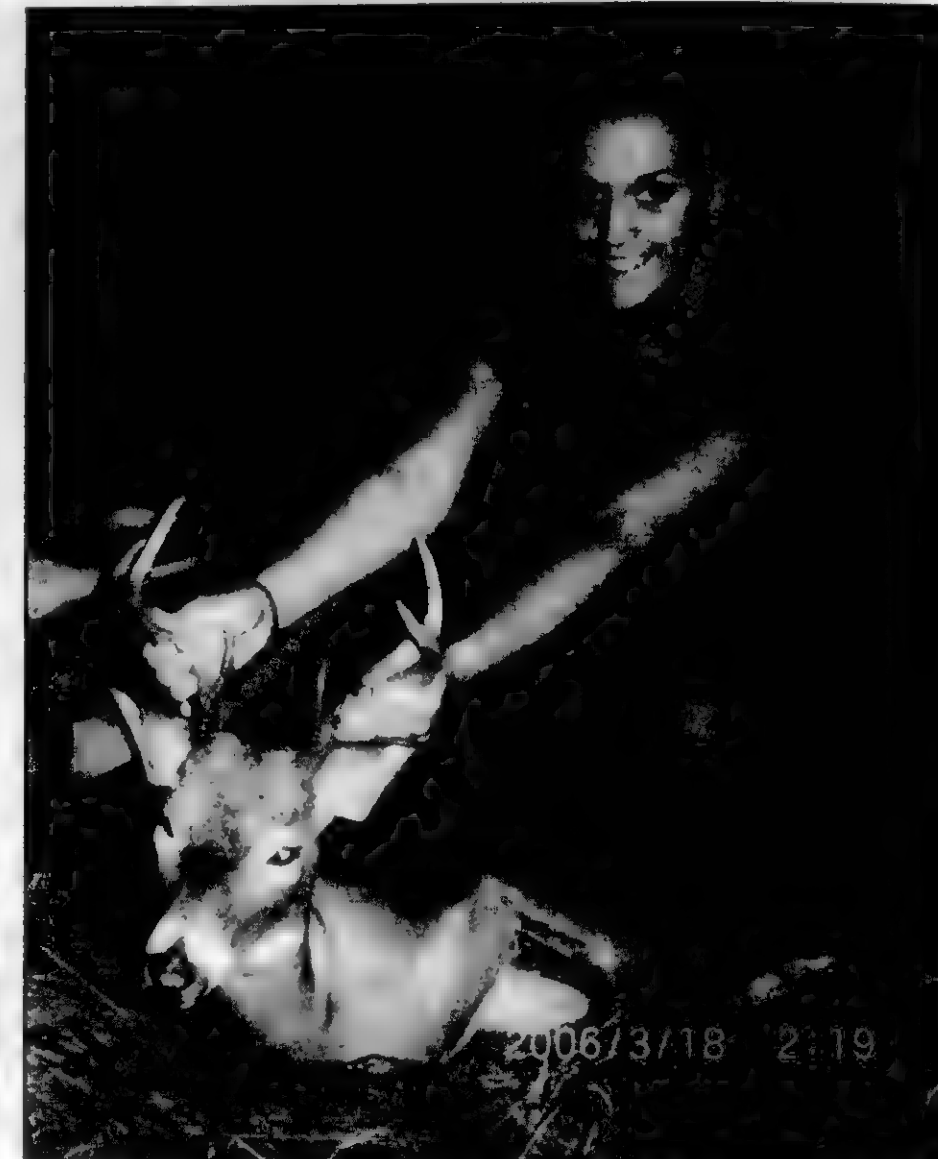
Wyatt Crick, a 12-year-old hunter, shot this eight-point deer that weighed in at 155 pounds. Wyatt is the son of Wyney and Bill Crick. He bagged the animal near Ellsworth.



COURTESY PHOTO

Swirl returns

The Crooked Tree Arts Center and Esperance present the Third Annual Holiday Wine Market from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1. More than 40 wines will be up for the tasting. Proceeds are dedicated to scholarships for area youth. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12.50 the day of the event. Swirl dates are on Jan. 21, and Feb. 11, March 11, April 22 and May 27, 2010. For more information, call 347-4337 or go to crookedtreetree.org or call 237-9300 or go to esperancewine.com. Pictured are Pram Acharya of Esperance and Petoskey resident Suzanne LaBeau at the arts center.



COURTESY PHOTO

Sister's seven-point

Emily Crick, sister of Wyatt Crick (on the upper left portion of the page) shot her deer also near Ellsworth. Emily is 15 years old and managed to take this prime seven-point which weighed 150 pounds. Her parents are Wendy and Bill Crick.

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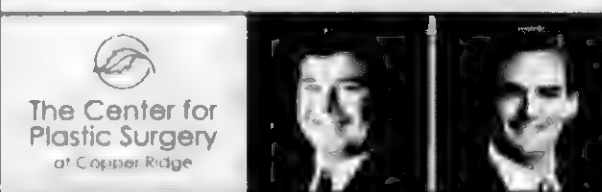
1959 reunion

The class of 1959, undefeated and unscored upon football team of fall of 1958, held their class reunion at the Argonne Restaurant on Saturday, Sept. 12. Thirty-nine members were in attendance. Ken Case from Montana came down with the Charlevoix flu and sent it to his wife and sister. Jim Verwey from the Los Angeles area was the farthest to attend, also with Allene (Arnold) Smith and Linda (Towale) Beebe from the state of Washington. Fun was had by all with a picnic on Sunday at Depot Beach. The next reunion is being planned for the 52-and-one-half in January 2012 in Montana.

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Thursday, October 22, 6:30 pm
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OBITUARIES

Stuart E. Wood: Died Oct. 6, 2009



Stuart E. Wood, 83, of Charlevoix, and formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died Tuesday Oct. 6, 2009 at his home.

Beloved husband of Lois J. Wood; dearest father of Carol W. (David R.) Peterson of Birmingham, and Douglas N. (Lori J.) Wood of Troy; dearest grandfather of Sarah (Jason) McGovern, Stuart, Joseph, and Jacob Peterson;

Alyssa, Shannon, and Katelyn Wood. Visitation was 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday Oct. 12, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. A memorial service will be held in the Detroit Metro area in early November; date and time to be announced.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, 49720; or The Salvation Army, any location; or The Charlevoix Food Pantry, 101 State, Charlevoix, 49720.

David Lyle Beaudoin: Dec. 20, 1944 - Oct. 7, 2009

David Lyle Beaudoin, 64, of Spring Lake, Charlevoix and Beaver Island Michigan, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009 at his home in Spring Lake.

A memorial service is planned for 3 p.m. Thursday Oct. 15, at the Winchester Funeral home in Charlevoix.

David was born on Dec. 20, 1944 in Charlevoix, MI, the son of Lyle and Edith (Cooper) Beaudoin.

He spent his boyhood days in Charlevoix before moving to Birmingham, where he

graduated from high school and then entered the Air Force.

In November 1968, he married Linda Kaye Taggart, who preceded him in death in 1975.

David worked a number of years for Anderson Pattern in Spring Lake, retiring in 2008.

An avid collector of many interesting items, David also enjoyed hunting, spending time at his cabin on Beaver Island, working with his hands and sharing his entertaining

stories with friends and family.

He was a member of the Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club.

David will be remembered as a friendly man with a big heart, ready to make conversation with anyone.

Dave is survived by his children, Bruce Daniel (Katie) Beaudoin of Charlevoix and Amy Lynn Beaudoin of Petoskey; grandchildren Jacob Daniel and Abigail Kate Beaudoin; brother Joseph Burt Beaudoin

of Charlevoix; nephew Mark (Laura) Beaudoin of North

ville, their children Haden and Marisa; niece Marcie (Brian) Sladics of Charlevoix, their children Reylin and Laina; and his longtime companion Edith DeLong of Spring Lake.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents; sister Sue (George) Lochner; sister-in-law Sandy (Joe) Beaudoin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club.

Martina C. Starr: May 19, 1927 - Oct. 7, 2009

Martina C. Starr, 82, of Charlevoix, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009, at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing Home in Charlevoix.

A Rite of Christian Burial was 10 a.m., Saturday Oct. 10, at Saint Mary Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Jerry Hunko officiating.

Interment will take place

in Saint Mary's Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Martina was born May 19, 1927, in Charlevoix, to Leo and Rose (McSawby) Tookolo.

She attended Charlevoix Public Schools, and was employed by Hoskins Manufacturing for over 25 years.

Martina was a member of

Saint Mary's Church and the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathleen Lewis; grandson, Michael McCann; sister, Dorothy Dyer all of Charlevoix; many nieces and nephews.

Martina's sisters, Lillian Peters and Katherine Genia

preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army or to the Charlevoix County Humane Society.

Visitation was from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, where the Rosary was recited at 7 p.m.



Senior trip

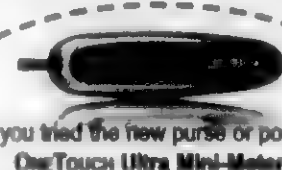
The Charlevoix Senior Center and commission on aging put together a fall color tour trip for seniors of Charlevoix County. Fourteen seniors from Charlevoix and 13 from East Jordan took the guided trip to St. Ignace, Moran, Trout Lake and White Fish Point. The overnight trip also included a stop in Sault Ste. Marie.

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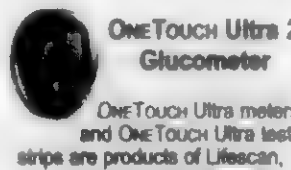
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Costume cruise a terrifying trip

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR



Faculak

Celebrate Halloween early with the Breezeway Costume Color Tour.

Beginning at 11 a.m. on Oct. 17, at the Antrim Dells Golf Course in Atwood, participants will have the opportunity to dress in a Halloween costume, take advantage of a goodie bag filled with

coupons to local merchants and enjoy the brilliance of autumn while cruising down the Breezeway.

"Everyone will enjoy this day — all ages, residents and visitors alike," said East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce executive director Mary Faculak.

"It's one of those events where you pick and choose where you want to start and stop."

Stretching from Atwood to Boyne Falls, County Road 48 — now known as the

Breezeway — is a 28-mile piece of highway through some of Northern Michigan's most rural areas.

The roadside is dotted with family farms, country cafes and, at this time of year, a slew of scarecrows.

"We are encouraging people to get out and explore the many businesses, great examples of agri-tourism, farms, restaurants, shops

and eateries along the way," Faculak said.

At the end of the ride, folks may enjoy a free chair lift courtesy of Boyne Mountain.

Then, Faculak said, double back at 3 p.m. to East Jordan's Sportsman's Park where there will be prizes given for best costume.

Chair lift rides will be offered from noon until 9 p.m.

that day.

For a high-resolution version of the Breezeway map, go to www.ridethebreezeway.com.

"Costumes are encouraged, but not necessary," Faculak added.

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APPLE FEST



Left: John and Jack King (from left) and Alyssa Binkowski offered oodles of apples for sale during the 31st Annual Charlevoix Apple Fest on Sunday Oct. 11 in Charlevoix's East Park.

**Photos
by Jacob
Sampson**

Below:
No, that's not Jeremiah Johnson strumming away at the guitar. It is none other than Charlevoix's own Al Frost. For years, Frost has taken time to serenade festival-goers with his acoustical adeptness.



Left: Mackenna Blakeslee, 6 years old, is seen feeding the goats at the children's petting zoo area of the 31st Annual Charlevoix Apple Fest. The youngster came all the way from Williamsburg with her family to enjoy the annual celebration of the fall harvest.



Kathleen Parker of Soulful Earth Herbs (left) tends to customer Joyce Owens Kalcasca. Many hundreds of locals and visitors frequented the 31st Annual Charlevoix Apple Fest from Friday Oct. 9 through Sunday Oct. 11.



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APPLE FEST



Right: It was February in October, or at least that is how Mitch Billeter of Alger was dressed for the frigid Apple Fest Sunday. Billeter is a craftsman of stonework and clay and specializes in game fish of the Great Lakes.

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Left: Junior cowboy Gavin Fennell enjoyed a pony ride during Apple Fest weekend. The 4-year-old, who lives with his family in Petoskey, is seen here waving at his father.

Right: Students from Northwest Academy helped vendors at this year's Apple Fest set up their booths in return for tips to help earn money for their upcoming trip to Washington, D.C.

Below: Jeanette Wachtel of Ottawa Lake handles one of Ron Lindgren's hand-tied brooms at the 31st Apple Fest.



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A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Dean's list for the winter 2009 semester

The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.0 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.

Bozette City: Kathleen Adison, Matthew Dyer, Melanie Higgins, Shelley Koteskey, Sally McKenney, Amy Schneider, Carly Sueber, Trisha Tomkins, and Heather Worben.

Charlevoix: Tyler Bier Lawrence, Denemy, Andrea Farrell, Aaron Hagen, Sarah Hagen, Tess Hoaglund, Dillon Olmstead, Logan Priest, Sarah Shepard, Jacob Teuscher, Adam Wager, and Cody Wheat.

FERRIS GRADUATES

The following students from Charlevoix County recently graduated from Ferris State University, Kendall College of Art and Design, or the college of Professional and Technological Studies during the semester that ended in May 2009.

Miles Ritter of Boyne City received a bachelor's of Science degree in hotel management.

Richard Swenor of Boyne Falls received an associate's of applied science degree in

graphic design.

Elizabeth Madison of Charlevoix graduated in facility management.

Michael Nachazel of Charlevoix received a bachelor's of science degree in surveying engineering.

Nathan Hartman of East Jordan received an Associate in Applied Science degree Cum Laude in Industrial Chemistry Technology. He also received a bachelor's of science degree Cum Laude in Biotechnology.

And, Claudia Laursen of East Jordan received a master's of education in curriculum and instruction/special degree, distinction award.

Ferris honors list: Ferris State University and Kendall College of Art and Design recently announced their academic honors list for the semester that ended in May 2009 with students all from Charlevoix: Meredith Henry, Sherry Kirby, Michael Nachazel, Ryan Seelye, and Daniel Souther.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Central Michigan University's summer honors list included Derek Brooks Boyer, a Senior from East Jordan.

Local graduates from Central Michigan University were recently announced. They

are Brittany Niswander of Charlevoix with a bachelor's of applied arts degree, Phoebe Gohs of East Jordan with a master of arts education and academics degree, and Kate Lynn Lobert of East Jordan with a bachelor's of science in Education degree.

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Kirtland Regional Police Academy will honor its 29th graduating class during ceremonies on Friday Oct. 30, at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts on Kirtland Community College's main campus near Roscommon.

Members of the academy's 29th graduating class include Mike Bingham of Boyne City and Cody Wheat of Charlevoix.



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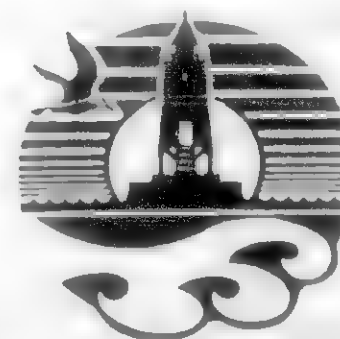


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The Winning Smile!

Check your calendar. Do you have plans? If not, Congratulations! Pictured above are Pat McKeown and the winning smile of Jim Kamine on behalf of his daughter, Rachel Kamine, the 2009 Chamber Car Raffle winner. Rachel wasn't the only lucky person that evening, second place winner of \$500 was GBJ Investments, third place winner of \$250 went to Pat Sokolowski, and the fourth place winner of \$250 was Michael Pletcher.

It's All Business.

Well, it isn't all business! The Chamber invites you to join them at the November First Friday Biz Breakfast and Business After Hours. Both are premier networking opportunities!

The First Friday Biz Breakfast will be held on Friday, November 6th at 7:30am at the Grey Gables Restaurant. Admission is \$7. Then the following week on Thursday, November 12th from 5 to 7pm, Charlevoix's very own Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center, located at 06150 M-66 in the Kmart shopping plaza, will be sponsoring the November Business After Hours. To attend it is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission. Above are the smiles of After Hour attendees at hosted at the Bergmann Center.

Contact the Chamber with any questions at 547.2101. We hope to see you there!

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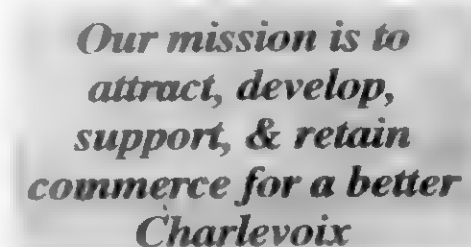
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Check your calendar. Do you have plans? If not, Congratulations! Pictured above are Pat McKeown and the winning smile of Jim Kanune on behalf of his daughter, Rachel Kanine, the 2009 Chamber Car Raffle winner. Rachel wasn't the only lucky person that evening, second place winner of \$500 was GBJ Investments, third place winner of \$250 went to Pat Sokolowski, and the fourth place winner of \$250 was Michael Pletcher

Well, it isn't all business! The Chamber invites you to join them at the November First Friday Biz Breakfast and Business After Hours. Both are premier networking opportunities!

The First Friday Biz Breakfast will be held on Friday, November 6th at 7:30am at the Grey Gable Restaurant. Admission is \$7. Then the following week on Thursday, November 12th from 5 to 7pm, Charlevoix's very own Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center, located at 06150 M-66 in the Kmart shopping plaza, will be sponsoring the November Business After Hours. To attend it is \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for general admission. Above are the smiles of After Hour attendees at hosted at the Bergmann Center.

Contact the Chamber with any questions at 547.2101. We hope to see you there!



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Charlevoix City council mulls new bid policy

BY INTHAMER BOON
EDITOR

An old joke in government projects is vital machinery is created by the lowest, not necessarily the most qualified, bidder.

And, while Charlevoix City officials say they want the process to remain equitable for taxpayers, some of them see the upside to awarding a contract to a local bidder — even at a higher cost.

"I want contractors to be informed in the bid process," said proposal proponent and Charlevoix City Council member Jill Picha (Third Ward). "Since I've sat on council we've had two different contracts go out and we had low bidders that weren't local and the local bidder automatically got the job — it's causing



Picha

hard feelings."

Currently the council's only policy on putting projects up for bid is that they reserve the right to accept or reject any bid submitted to them.

"I think this will assist all contractors in knowing what the rules are when going into the bidding process," said Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel. "Overall, I think this

will be a good thing."

But, Straebel cautioned, cost of the job is merely one aspect the city examines when determining to whom a job is awarded.

"We look at qualifications, references and scheduling of a project," he said.

Construction companies like Hallmark Construction of Traverse City and Catt Development of Gaylord both favor the move.

"I've always encouraged the fact that local contractors should get preference over out-of-area contractors," said Hallmark president Dennis Fedorinichik. "There are methods that have been used before, and they can give the local contractor a percentage of advantage."

He added, "Let's face it, most of the local companies and their employees are the ones paying local taxes that provide the tax base."

Catt Development president Glenn Catt said he feels a policy of this type is appropriate as long as the methodology is reasonable.

"I think it's a great thing. Local contractors pay local taxes and employ people locally, and that's money that stays in the community," Catt said. "I also know how much work goes into bidding a project, and it is important to know the rules up front."

Picha emphasized that the new bid policy does not yet exist, and that discussion of the

idea will likely occur in the coming weeks during regular city council meetings.

Picha's suggested formula would be that a local contractor's price could be as much as five percent higher on a job of up to a half-million dollars and three percent higher on jobs between a half-million and \$1 million.

Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said he believes the city needs a more comprehensive bidding policy and tentatively supports



Carlson

Picha's proposal. "I'm still mulling it over," he said. "As a local contractor, I know how hard it is to get work. I also know it's fair for everyone to know what's going to happen when bidding on a job."

Carlson added, "This is just one more step we can take to keep everything above board with no hidden agendas."

Discussion could occur as early as 7 p.m. on Monday Oct. 19 at Charlevoix City Hall during their regularly scheduled meeting.

Once council has devised a plan, the city attorney and manager will create a legal document for council to either approve or reject.

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Young and Campbell part three

BY ANNE KELLY
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

In part two of the adventures of Earl Young and Don Campbell, we had just left off with some memories out of Don Campbell's autobiography.

Now we find Campbell yearning in his love of boats.

Campbell didn't wonder; he wanted to be part of the schooner scene; he would follow the lure of the sea when the opportunity arose, crewing on lumber barges, steamboats, passenger boats, and finally, his father's mail boat. When he finally got land legs deciding to settle down and raise a family, he made his home on West Dixon Avenue, just down the street from what would become the Weatherlane property on the channel looking out over Lake Michigan. Here is where his daughter, Anne, remembers her carefree days growing up in Charlevoix in the late 1920's early 30's. Anne and her sister could boat or swim at will

in those carefree days and especially enjoyed watching the freighters and passenger boats jockeying into position to cross through the channel.

"I remember freighters being detained in the bend that was once in the channel, waiting for the wind to shift them into position to make the passage." We could see the lights on board and hear their conversations in the night. The sailors would throw bones off the deck to our dog," she remembers. Bandfield's father, Don Campbell, became an integral part of the town he called home. He involved himself in community matters, establishing himself as a respected businessman in the shoe business.

Sometime in 1919, Campbell bought the building that later became Campbell's Boot Shop. Earl Young and his mother had maintained an office there but moved out and across the street when the Campbell's moved in. It is from the vantage point

of Campbell's Boot Shop, that Campbell played observer to several generations of businesses along Bridge Street from 1919 until 1967. In 1963 he began writing memoirs recalling the history of the economic community of Charlevoix. They were published as a series in the Charlevoix Courier beginning in 1967. When his daughter Anne, came across her father's memoirs and scrap books, she took it upon herself to work on publishing them into a book.

Both Young and Campbell left their mark on the small lakeside town of Charlevoix, each in his own way. Young with his legacy of architecture and Campbell with his memoirs, photographs and paintings of the area he loved. Their lives intersected briefly and became enmeshed by their education and travel. The "boys" left behind in their wakes, a slice of small town American history for us to appreciate and enjoy.



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Charlevoix welcomes new teachers

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

A month into the school year, four new Charlevoix Public Schools staff members are settling into their new routines.



Dickinson

Kim Dickinson, a counselor at Charlevoix High School, found her career path in high school.

"It was my own lack of a relationship with my high school counselor that made me want to go into counseling," Dickinson explained. "I love this age group and I knew from then on I wanted

to work with teenagers and help them carve out a path for their future."

Dickinson, who lives in Harbor Springs with her husband and their four children, has a master's degree from Michigan State University in counseling. She received her bachelor's degree from Spring Arbor University. Last year, she completed an internship at Harbor Springs High School.

"I love working with the students," said Dickinson. "I feel I went down a path that directed me to do something where my passions and talents meet."

First grade teacher Adam Wood, who grew up in Charlevoix, previously taught at St. Mary's and spent a year as a substitute teacher.

Wood has a degree from Grand Valley State University



Wood

where he majored in physical education and minor in elementary education. Wood believes

his patience and understanding will serve him well in his new position. "I really enjoy being a part of their lives," explained Wood. "I enjoy making an impact and getting to see their growth every day."

Jamie Warchol joins Wood as another first grade teacher at Charlevoix Elementary. Warchol, who is originally from the Detroit area, moved to Charlevoix after graduating from Central Michigan University.

She spent a year teaching in Charlevoix before teaching in East Jordan for two years. Warchol is happy to be back in the Charlevoix school system.

"I love seeing the kids grow and being there for them and being part of this community," said Warchol.

Warchol, who is married and is expecting her second

child in December, knew she wanted to be a teacher since first grade.

"Education is a team effort, and we have a great group of teachers and administrators here in Charlevoix," said Warchol. "When I was in middle school, one of my favorite teachers asked if I would help with the special education students at lunchtime so they could get some work done. I enjoyed it so much, I knew I was going to be a teacher," said Bridgett Elowsky, who teaches Special Education at Charlevoix Elementary School.

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a long-term substitute. "Even when I was home with my children, I always stayed active in the schools," said Elowsky. "I felt I

never really left because I was always here with the kids, helping out and volunteering."

But it's her love of education that drew Elowsky back to the classroom full-time.

"I love working with children, especially those that need help in extra areas," said Elowsky.

"I'm always willing to try another way to help a child."

Charlevoix Elementary practicing positive discipline

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

A new program at Charlevoix Elementary School which rewards students for good behavior is already proving to be a success.

The program is called Awesome Behavior Choices, or ABC. Teachers and administrators began using the program at the start of the school year.

"All too often we give a lot of attention to negative behavior," said Dick Swenor, principal at Charlevoix Elementary School. "We thought we'd reverse that and give attention to positive behavior."

The ABC program centers around four basic concepts — Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Safe. Each month, students have a card with the 4 basic concepts. If a student

disobeys one of the concepts, he'll receive a mark. But the school provides an incentive for the students who set a good example.

"If they get a mark, a note goes home to the parent. If they don't, they're rewarded at the end of the month," explained Swenor.

"The bounce house was so much fun," said Kelsey Robinson, a 4th grader. "We got to play dodge ball inside."

Swenor met with several teachers at the beginning of the year to come up with ideas for the reward days.

"My staff is just so creative," said Swenor. "We each took on a responsibility for each month. The teachers know what the kids like and we have a great year of rewards ahead."

In addition to the monthly rewards, those who haven't received any marks during the en-

tire school year will have their picture displayed on a bulletin board in the front of the building. These students are the "Clean Slates."

"I haven't had any marks this year," said Robinson. "I really want to have my picture up on the bulletin board."

The idea for Charlevoix Elementary's ABC Program came from similar programs used at a number of area schools. Swenor then worked with teachers to make a program that would work for Charlevoix Elementary.

"A similar program was used during my time teaching in East Jordan," said Jamie Warchol, a first grade teacher. "Students

seem to be responding extremely well to the rewards."

Robinson believes the program is working well, but observes, "I have a lot of nice people in my class anyway."

"So far it's been a real incentive for kids to make good choices," said Swenor. "It's been a real positive situation."



PHOTO BY RACHEL BROUGHAM

Charlevoix Elementary School is now experimenting with a new type of positive discipline to improve student behavior. Pictured here are some elementary students at lunch.

SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder tennis ends season in fifth

The Regional tennis meet was held Thursday Oct. 8 at Petoskey High School.

"Our season is done and I think there were some positive things. Overall, for us to improve, our athletes need to spend more time on the court."

said coach Erik Lundteigen. "Tennis is such a great game to play. It really is a lifelong sport."

Charlevoix finished fifth with the following individual results.

#1 singles Logan Kline lost



Lundteigen

to Leelanau County.
#2 singles Jake Lemanski lost to Elk Rapids.
#3 singles Ben Way

lost to Harbor Springs.
#1 doubles Matt Murry and Dylan Putman beat Boyne City and lost to Leelanau County.
#2 doubles Blake Schulman and Trent Bradley beat Boyne City and lost to Traverse City

St. Francis.
#3 doubles John Saur and Austen Lobenherz beat Elk Rapids and lost to Traverse City St. Francis.
Coach Lundteigen thanked Neil Turner for his help, and John Murry for providing

snacks and drinks for the Rayder tennis players

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Environmental efforts bring success

Additional actions proposed at environmental project

"Recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

David Mengebier
President, CMS Land Company

PETOSKEY, Mich., (Sept. 28, 2009) - CMS Land Company reports that significant progress has been made in addressing environmental issues related to the defunct cement plant that once operated on the shores of Little Traverse Bay. The abandoned site was redeveloped in 1994 into what are now Resort Township's East Park and the Bay Harbor Resort. August water monitoring results verify that pH readings above the action level of nine have been virtually eliminated and human health and safety concerns have been effectively addressed. In August, only one reading above nine (9.12, similar to baking soda) was recorded in an isolated area west of the Bay Harbor golf course clubhouse. These results build on months of increasingly positive results and are a dramatic contrast to the dozens of pH readings above nine that were recorded in 2005, before CMS began its work at the site.

"These important environmental accomplishments are the result of a lot of hard work and substantial investment," said David Mengebier, CMS Land Company president. "The June reopening of East Park, the lifting of several health advisories, and these most recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

In reporting these results, CMS also noted two important milestones in completing work at the site: review and approval by regulators of the Remedial Investigation/Alternative Evaluation (RI/AE) studies for East Park and the Bay Harbor development and continued work to identify a local option for disposing of water collected at the site.

In late summer, CMS Land submitted the RI/AEs to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The RI/AEs use established scientific processes to evaluate the effectiveness of both current and long-term remedies at both locations. The EPA and DEQ will consider public input while reviewing the documents and then can approve the documents or request additional study. Once approved, the RI/AEs will outline the final work involved with the project.

"We believe we have done an excellent job so far. We are hopeful that the RI/AEs will be reviewed and approved in a timely manner so that we can build on our progress and bring the project to a successful conclusion," said Mengebier.

In addition, work is underway to identify a local remedy to dispose of the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor. The collection and treatment of large quantities of groundwater is the primary method CMS is using to address pH and mercury at the site. Different options under review would safely treat the water and release it to the lake, pump the water into the City of Petoskey's water treatment system for treatment, or involve the construction of a local disposal well near the site. CMS is currently shipping up to 27 trucks containing 11,500 gallons of water a day to Traverse City and Johannesburg for disposal.

"Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns, and cost, is not a realistic long-term remedy," Mengebier said. "We absolutely need—and are encouraged that the public has expressed a desire—to identify a local solution to a local concern."

East Park and Bay Harbor were reclaimed from the site of an abandoned cement factory covering 1,200 acres and five miles of Lake Michigan shoreline. The brownfield site was redeveloped in 1994 and was the largest reclamation project in North America.

While no longer a partner in the project that redeveloped an abandoned cement factory into the Bay Harbor community and two public parks, CMS Land Company agreed to address certain environmental issues associated with the cement dust left behind by the cement plant. CMS has worked for five years and spent more than \$90 million on the project to date and has achieved significant environmental progress in the protection of Little Traverse Bay.

For more information about the work done as part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit www.protectingourbay.com

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder football feasted on Elks 23-8



Jess

J. T. Lawrence sprinted for a 63-yard touchdown in the first half to give Charlevoix the momentum and a lead it would never relinquish as the Rayders celebrated homecoming with a Lake Michigan Conference win at Kipke Field.

Charlevoix, which improved to 4-3 overall, 2-3 league, got a safety from Indiana-signee Bill Ivan to increase the lead to 9-0 at halftime. Jake McLean, who rushed for 100 yards on 16 carries, scored twice in the second half to pad Charlevoix's lead. Charlevoix quarterback Clayton Mitchell completed 7-of-15 passes for 63 yards. Alex Foster finished with four catches for 49 yards.

"We got up and that was

it," said coach Don Jess about maintaining the lead throughout the game. Michael Berry led the Charlevoix defense with 11 tackles. John Boss added eight. Foster and Lawrence each had an interception. Ivan and Chris Levens recorded two sacks apiece.

The Rayders go to Kalkaska for a league game on Friday, Oct. 16.

The Blazers are 3-4, 2-3, after a 64-7 loss to Grayling on Friday.



PHOTO BY JACOB SAMPSON

Despite a strong effort by the Elks of Elk Rapids, the Charlevoix Rayders could not be stopped on Friday Oct. 9. The Rayders will next face the Blazers of Kalkaska.

Rayder girls Charlevoix soccer improves to 13-1

Katie Mays had 19 kills as Charlevoix split a Lake Michigan Conference tri-meet with Grayling and Traverse City St. Francis on Monday.

The Rayders beat the host Vikings, 25-4, 25-17, 25-13, then fell to St. Francis, 18-25, 25-22, 24-26.

"We came out strong against Grayling," said Charlevoix coach Liz Grunch, whose team is 7-2 in the conference, 24-14-1 overall.

Standouts for Charlevoix were:
• Jenna Way with 39 assists, 16 digs, three aces and seven kills;
• Allison Hinkins had 13 kills;
• Sarah Potter added

10 kills, 15 digs and four aces;
• Taylor Storm had 19 digs;
• Isis Hang had 12 digs; and
• Bobbie Molter finished with eight kills.

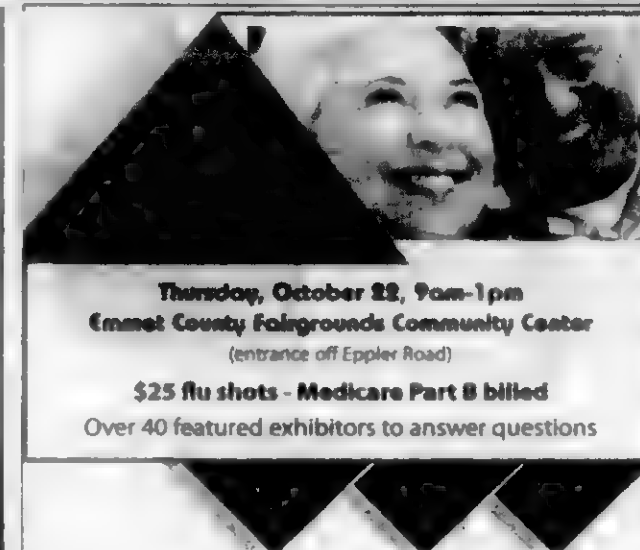
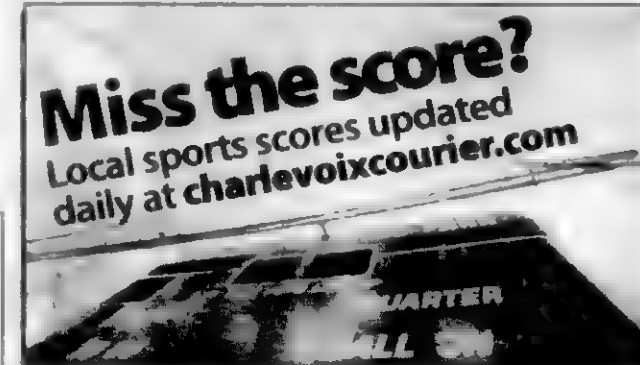
Megan Peters had 12 kills and Kelsey Way added 10 as Charlevoix swept the junior varsity matches.

The Rayders defeated Grayling, 25-14, 25-12, 15-9; and St. Francis, 25-18, 22-25, 26-24. Also for Charlevoix, Maddy Zimmerman had nine aces. Sydney Carlson added 11 assists, Amber Schmidt had six kills, and Chelsie Hoffman added four kills, 10 digs.



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Rayder soccer players continue to improve.



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'Family' takes over Bosman's

Family Farm and Home became the new owners of Bosman's Mercantile in Charlevoix and Gaylord on Sept. 15.

Family Farm and Home is a Michigan-based family owned business.

They specialize in merchandise oriented to rural and suburban living, including dog, cat, horse and livestock feeds, farm supplies, home heating, lawn and garden equipment, hardware, automotive and work clothing and footwear.

Family Farm and Home was established in 2002.

And, with the addition of Charlevoix and Gaylord stores, has grown to a chain of 15 stores throughout Michigan.

The chain is owned by Alan Fansler, who has three

ty four years of experience in agricultural retailing, in positions from store management to executive level administration.

"I believe Charlevoix and Gaylord will be excellent markets for us," said Fansler.

"Family Farm and Home will provide a unique product selection and superior value, and we'll work hard to ensure customers are satisfied. We are very excited to be serving Northern Michigan."

In the next 30 days there will be many changes including expanded assortments in agriculture, lawn and garden, and pet and lowered prices across the store.

Grand Opening festivities are planned for November.

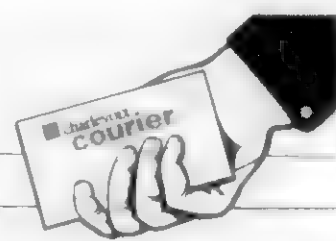


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This undated file photo is of Bosman's Mercantile's interior. The store, recently purchased by the Family Farm and Home chain, will continue to sell products similar to Bosman's, but new owners boast lower prices and more selection.

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\$30K grant vital to ferry service

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Ever-increasing rules and regulations on travel imposed by the government put an increasing burden on local carriers.

But, thanks to federal grant programs, that burden is being lessened.

"These grants will help us strengthen and protect critical infrastructure in two of our ports in Northern Michigan," stated First District U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) of the \$30,000 awarded to the Beaver Island Boat Company.

"The safety and security of the Great Lakes is critical to the economic well being of Michigan. I applaud Secretary Napolitano for investing in these projects that will help stimulate the economy while making us safer."



Stupak

Company president and general manager Margo Marks, the funds will be used to purchase navigational upgrades as well as future security devices as needed.

"There are ever-increasing requirements for operation such as ours ... and compliance is expensive," she said. "We are in compliance, but this grant will allow us to upgrade and enhance our systems."

The funds were released as part of a \$276,985 stimulus fund package intended to help secure the Great Lakes through and what Stupak called critical port infrastructure.

The other \$246,985 went to Chippewa County in the upper peninsula to purchase a response boat.

The security devices, though they have not yet been devised or mandated for vessels like the Beaver Island Boat Company's ferry, will be used to help ensure only proper personnel enter sensitive areas.

"The Port Security Grant Program helps protect critical port infrastructure from terrorism; enhances maritime domain awareness and risk management capabilities; and supports

the implementation of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential, a tamper-resistant biometric credential issued to workers who require unescorted access to secure areas of ports and vessels," Stupak stated.

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The Beaver Island Boat Company was recently awarded \$30,000 toward navigational and security enhancements through a U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant. Funds such as this one help small businesses like the ferry service continue to comply with stringent state and federal regulations which are routinely changed, upgraded and made more strict.

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**CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, October 05, 2009
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City
Hall, 210 State Street,
Charlevoix, MI**

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

Motion passed approving a purchase from North American Salt Company in the amount of \$17,635.43.

Motion passed approving general shutoff rules for electric service.

Motion passed approving the second amendment to the City Manager's contract, extending the date of the contract to 2012 and granting an additional 5 days of vacation.

Resolution 2009-10-01 approved New Dance/Entertainment Permit, Elk's Lodge 2856, Beacon Center, 104 Mason.

Council gave staff direction to pursue actual costs for installing the 70 foot flagpole at Michigan Beach.

Council gave staff direction to draft a policy regarding awarding bids to local contractors.

Council adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

A complete copy of the Council minutes is on file at the City Clerk's Office, 210 State Street.
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Collaborative divorce uses a team approach guiding divorcing couples to a settlement without resort to court intervention. The collaborative divorce model recognizes divorce is a family matter with legal consequences, as opposed to being primarily a legal dispute. Therefore, in collaborative divorce, the divorcing couple, their attorneys, mental health professionals, and financial specialists work together to craft the best resolution for their individual family.

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The collaborative approach is often faster, less-stressful, and results in longer lasting resolution of these issues, eliminating future costs.

Members of the Up North Collaborative Divorce Professionals are attorneys Maura Brennan, Billie Jo Clark, Kristyn Houle, Manan Kromkowski, Mike Lewis, Shelley Kester, Stacey Pfarrer, Mike Richey, Jim Saffell, Melanie Stanton and Robert Tubbs.

The mental health professionals include psychologists Mary Dillon, Lisa Franseen, Ann Marie Love, and social worker, Mike Wright.

All have been trained and certified by the Collaborative Practice Institute of Michigan.

The group is currently seeking financial specialists to join their team.

For further information about Collaborative Divorce, or if you are interested in becoming certified and joining the Up North Michigan Collaborative Divorce Professionals, visit www.CollaborativePracticeMI.org or contact any of the members listed above.

BOY SCOUT ENROLLMENT

Traverse City - As students head back to school across northern Michigan, Boy Scout troops and Cub Scout packs resume their weekly meetings and invite those interested in Scouting to join a local troop or pack.

Boy Scouts is available to boys who are 11 through 17 years old, or who have earned the Arrow of Light Award, or have completed the fifth grade.

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Founded in 1939, the Scenic Trails Council serves 13 counties across northern Michigan in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Oshtemo, Otsego, and Westford Counties.

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At 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights is Family Night with adult study, a youth group, Calvary Kids and a nursery.

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Hospital, call Catherine Francis at (231) 675-9955.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAA

Sex Addicts Anonymous meets at 6 p.m., Thursdays in Charlevoix. Call (231) 675-4682 for location and information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St.

547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Publisher class from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 14: Building on your MS Publisher skills. Prior MS Publisher experience required. Fee: \$49 Register with NCMC: 348-6705.

• Computer skills from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 21, 23: If you have a computer and have some basic skills, this class will help you organize your desktop and files.

• C.S. Lewis Festival Book Discussion at 6:30 p.m., October 21: In conjunction with the

annual month-long Northern Michigan C. S. Lewis Festival

• Lord of the Gourd - Pumpkin Sculpting, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 22: Join Pat Harrison as he creates carved pumpkin sculptures all day long.

• Investing for the Clueless, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 22: If you consider yourself clueless when it comes to investing, this seminar is for you.

• Isadore's Secret: Sin, Murder and Confession in a Northern Michigan Town, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 27.

• Ask the Tech Guy, 10 a.m. to noon, Nov. 5: Bring your laptop and ask questions of the library's tech guy Roger Gowell.

• Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m.

to 2 p.m., Nov. 9: Learn to keep you and your computer safe online.

• BookTalkers: Real Life and Lairs by Kristina Ruggie, 6 p.m., Nov. 9: book discussion.

• Shopping Online: How to find the deals, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11: Get your holiday shopping started using online tools and Web sites.

• Titanic: The Perfect Disaster, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 12: Join speaker David Kaplan, Titanic Historian and Retired Teacher, to learn about the events that led up to building of the ship and how the fateful night unfolded.

• Gone with My Sight, 6:30

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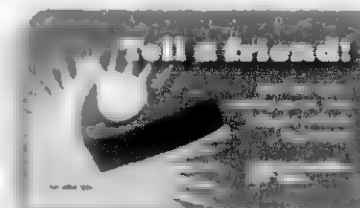
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p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Nov. 17: The biggest fear of watching someone die is fear of the unknown, not knowing what dying will be like or when death will actually occur. Barbara Kames, author and award winning Hospice Nurse, explains in a simple, gentle yet, direct manner the process of dying from disease.

• Where the Wild Things Are Party, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 21: Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading of Where the Wild Things Are and come play games, make crafts and have a wild time.

• Handling the Holidays, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 23: Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holiday season. Bereavement counselors will address your grief to help make your holidays and special occasions brighter.

TAI CHI

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs Community Room.

The continuing student class will meet at 10 a.m.

Sessions remaining are Oct. 14 and 21.

The cost for seniors is \$12 for six weeks and \$40 for those under 60 years of age.

For more information, call (231) 237-0103, or Meg McClorey at 231-582-7689 or e-mail megmcclorey@charlevoix.net

NOW THROUGH OCT. 15

Aqua fitness. All middle school and high school girls are invited to participate in Aqua Fitness at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Swimmers will participate in a variety of aqua fitness activities including aqua exercise, water polo, water basketball, water volleyball and lots more.

Contact the pool for additional information 547-0982.

• Common Threads. The middle school-aged girls and 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. the high school-aged girls will have classes Thursdays from Sept. 24 through Oct. 15. Classes are \$1 each.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

Common Threads. A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St. "Common Threads," is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmi-

nation of their work and will be in the community room foyer through Oct. 31.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org

NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

The Nightmare at Challenge Mountain house of horrors is open from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in October.

Nightmare is located at 2205 Springbrook Road in Boyne Falls.

Go to www.challengegmtn.org or call (231) 582-1186 for more information.

All proceeds go directly to support Challenge Mountain programs.

NOW THROUGH NOV. 11

Computer classes. Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Register by calling 237-7340.

Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

OCT. 21 THROUGH 25

Genealogy programs.

Carol McWain Goodenough, professional genealogist, and her Associate Barbara Manley Hernden, will be offering a series of four classes to lead a beginner, or more advanced researcher, through the process of finding their own family history.

Classes will be offered from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Ironton Congregational Church, 03582 Washington St., in Ironton.

Participants are encouraged to bring with them as much family history information that they already have.

Oct. 21 - "The tools of the trade... places to research." — The third class reviews the materials that the participant has assembled and then moves into all the many possibilities of places to research, the Internet being one of the tools. Time constraints for this class do not allow for detailed computer research.

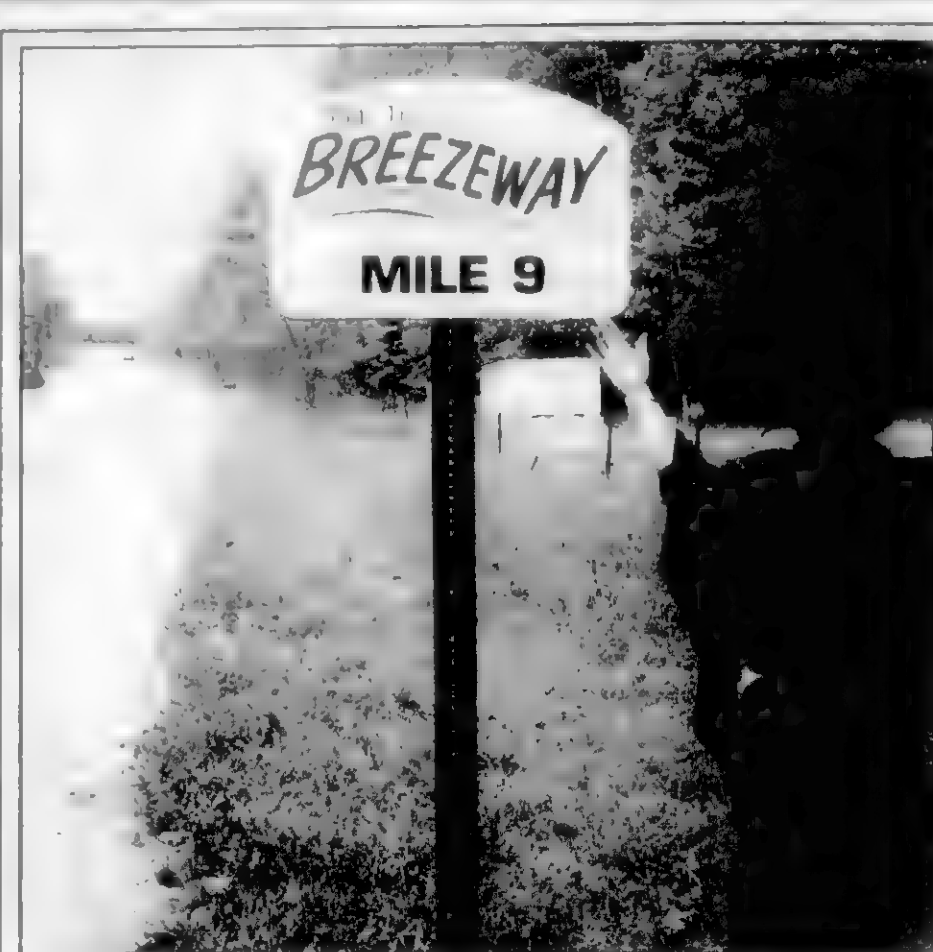
The cost for all four classes will be \$25 or \$10 for an individual class.

Detailed handouts and charts to fill out are included and distributed with each class.

For further information or to register, please contact Carol at 231-582-7042 or e-mail to cgooden123@aol.com.

Also, a new genealogy, family, and local history study group is being organized. It will be called

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Creepy color cruise

Beginning at 11 a.m. on Oct. 17, at the Antrim Delta Golf Course in Atwood, participants will have the opportunity to dress in a Halloween costume, take advantage of a goodie bag filled with coupons to local merchants and enjoy the brilliance of autumn while cruising down the Breezeway. Stretching from Atwood to Boyne Falls, County Road 48 — now known as the Breezeway — is a 28-mile piece of highway through some of Northern Michigan's most rural areas.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

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the "C.A.R.E." for Charlevoix Area Research Experience.

Study Group and will meet the second Tuesday of the month at the Ironton Congregational Church.

The first meeting will be from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 10.

This meeting and those to follow will give genealogists an opportunity to share their own research successes and frustrations and help will be given to all.

Projects of local interest will also be undertaken and developed along with the group's interests.

A meeting for anyone interested in telling the story of the Ironton area will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25.

A slide show developed by Robert Morgridge will be shown at this time and participants will have time to share their stories of the Ironton area.

Classes of a genealogical, family or local history nature will be developed as the needs arise.

Plans are currently being made to offer classes on Using the Computer in Research, How to Have Efficient Use of the Internet, and What Top Web sites to Use in Research.

OCT. 21 AND NOV. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St.

New members are welcome.

OCT. 17

Nature hike. At 10 a.m. there will be a hike beginning at the Pinney Bridge parking area east of M-66.

OCT. 18 THROUGH 24

Teen lounge. The Teen Lounge at the Charlevoix Public Library is designed for teens in grades nine through 12.

It is full of books, music, games, magazines, and of course computers for high school aged teens.

The Information Services Desk has trained staff to help teens find answers to homework questions, navigate the new databases and find what you need in our catalog.

The Teen Lounge is also filled with Sci-Fi, Fantasy, Virtual Reality & Horror books, just in time for Read Beyond Reality. Teen Read Week, October 18-24, 2009.

The Charlevoix Public Library is also launching the Teen

Lounge on Facebook. Become a fan and search for the Charlevoix Public Library at facebook.com.

Teens can upload a video of their favorite book or books and have a chance to receive a copy of Breaking Dawn. If teens do not have access to a video recorder, they can check out the new Teen Lounge flip video for one hour. Entries are due Saturday, Oct. 24. For more details e-mail the teen librarian laura@charlevoixlibrary.org.

OCT. 20

Bishop Gumbleton speaks. Bishop Thomas Gumbleton, retired auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit and well known voice for human rights, will be speaking at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 20 at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church.

His talk will address the present conditions in Haiti, a country whose people he visits often.

Having just returned from El Salvador in Central America he has agreed to comment on what is developing there.

Bishop Gumbleton is the founding president of PAX Christi USA in 1972, an organization devoted to promoting peace. He is known as its Ambassador for Peace, has traveled extensively throughout the world, and is in demand as a speaker on radio and TV. He and the Reverend William Sloan Coffin were 2 clerics allowed to visit the US hostages in Iran at the time of the 1979 revolution.

His presentation is sponsored by the Little League for Peace and Freedom and the Northern Michigan People for Peace.

There is no charge but donations are gratefully accepted. A reception in the Fellowship Hall honoring Dr. Gumbleton will follow the program. For further information, contact Ellen Addington at (231) 536-7018.



Crossings fundraiser

From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17 meet Meet Patti Alkin, author of "Crossings, A Journey Through Northern Michigan History" at Gallery on Main in Bay Harbor. "Crossings" is a fundraising project partnering Charlevoix Area Hospital and Crooked Tree Arts Center. The story-line is full of secret phrases and hidden messages readers can decode to discover a secret final destination. All correct guesses will be entered into a final drawing for \$5,000. Books are \$35. Go to crookedtreetree.org for more information. Pictured is a painting by Glen McCune of Boyne City.

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on the RECORD

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Matthew Allen Phillips, 21, Gaylord. Motor vehicle operator without security. Pay \$365 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Clifford Albert Sears, 38, Petoskey. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow; motor vehicle operator without security; improper registration. Pay \$765 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Michael Wayne Hart, 45, East Jordan. Malicious destruction of property, less than \$200. Credit for one day in jail; 87 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$490.77 in fines and costs.

Christopher Dale Morse, 26, East Jordan. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,030 in fines and costs.

Joshua Louis Reid, 18, East Jordan. Larceny, more than

\$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for 28 days in jail; 322 days held in abeyance; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; to write a letter of apology; \$850 in fines and costs.

Jacob James Lewis, 30, Petoskey. Operating while intoxicated, first offense. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; serve 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,480 in fines and costs.

Robert Lamont Birdsall III, 38, Charlevoix. Attempted resisting and obstructing; disorderly/obscene conduct. Credit for one day in jail; 159 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,300 in fines and costs.

Carolyn Williams, 56, Charlevoix. Insufficient funds for checks written. Credit for one day in jail; 179 days held in abeyance; to serve 18 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$900 in fines and costs.

Nicholas Charles Buckingham, 27, Charlevoix. Possession of marijuana. Credit for three days in jail; to serve 362 days in jail; \$500 in fines and costs.

Peggy Sue Vroman, 46, Boyne City. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$300 in

fines and costs or serve eight days in jail.

Cynthia Taylor, 29, Battle Creek. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Megan Anne Henry, 18, Cedar. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 40 hours of community service work; \$300 in fines and costs.

Jason Clinton Miner, 31, Boyne Falls. Sex offender, failure to comply with reporting requirements — second offense. Credit for six days in jail; to serve 24 days in jail; \$450 in fines and costs.

Stanley Albert Harwood II, 47, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 15 days in jail; serve 30 days of community service work; to serve two years on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,180 in fines and costs.

Michael Paul Harvey, 37, Alba. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,330 in fines and costs.

Serdar Uysal, 30, St. Clair Shores. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,330 in fines and costs.

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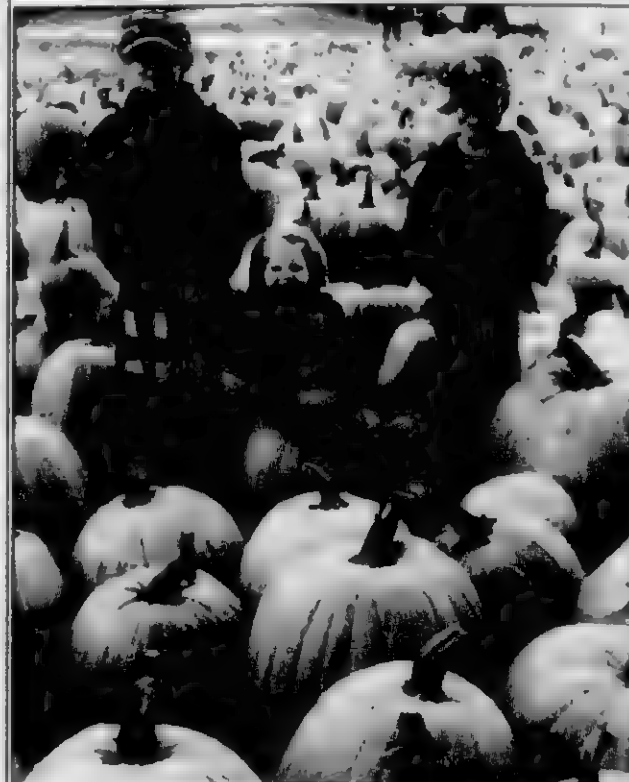


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Pumpkin patch kids

Lilly Curtis, 8, Chloe Curtis, 3, and Austen DeYoung, 5, all of Charlevoix were caught on camera lounging in the pumpkin patch at Bolt Farms recently. The three were looking for the perfect pumpkin.

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Take precautions to mitigate flu spread

VACCINE

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in healthy people. In most cases people are sick from four to seven days with fever, cough, and aches," stated Dr. Josh Meyerson, medical director of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "However, H1N1 flu can make some people very sick, especially pregnant women and children, teens and young adults."

He added, "Some get so sick they have to go to the hospital and some people, including children, have died from complications of the H1N1 flu."

Charlevoix Public Schools Superintendent Chet Janik said this week the first wave of the flu season came through the schools.

"As a result, we've seen a lot of student absences. The Principals and I appreciate the fact that parents are keeping children with fevers and other flu-like symptoms at home," Janik stated in an Oct. 15 news release. "It

is highly unlikely (we) will receive any authoritative medical confirmation about the presence of H1N1 among our students. From the school district's perspective, we will assume that any case of the flu among any of our students has the potential to be the H1N1 strain."

As of Friday Oct. 9, schools reported two cases in Antrim County, zero cases in Charlevoix County, one case in Emmet County and zero in Osego County.

Meyerson did state in his release that the H1N1 is very easy to catch.

"It is a new virus that has never been seen before," he stated. "Children, teens, and young adults can get it easily because they have no immunity against it."

Meyerson added, "Seasonal flu usually hits older people harder than younger people, but H1N1 flu tends to be worse in younger people."

Getting the H1N1 shot, Meyerson stated, is the best way to protect yourself.

However, the vaccines are

not yet available in the area.

Jane Sundmacher, public information officer for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, said she believes the vaccines will be ready by late October.

"The U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) says children, teens, and young adults should get an H1N1 shot as soon as the vaccine is available," Meyerson stated. "H1N1 flu shots are safe. They are made just like seasonal flu shots, which have a very good safety track record."

He added, "Over the years, hundreds of millions of Americans have received seasonal flu vaccines. The most common side effects following flu vaccinations are mild, such as soreness, redness, or swelling where the shot was given."

One of the main problems with health issues seems to be in getting the right information.

According to Sundmacher, no one in Northern Michigan has been quarantined for having H1N1.

The federal government has set up a myth-debunking section at www.flu.gov to handle some common misconceptions. Following are some facts about the flu:

- The government is not running a mandatory vaccination campaign;
- The H1N1 vaccine is free — the health department will provide it for free while some private doctors will charge an administration fee for the shot;
- You only need one dose of the vaccine;
- You may get the seasonal flu shot and the H1N1 at the same time;
- You cannot contract H1N1 by eating pork.

Public clinics to deliver the free vaccine to people are already planned and the times and dates of which could be announced as early as today at www.nwhealth.org.

As always, officials say, washing your hands, covering your mouth when you cough and staying home if you feel ill are the best ways to help mitigate the spread of the disease.

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Mammograms best way to detect killer of women

BY BENJAMIN GENE EDITOR

Breast cancer has gone from a death sentence to a highly treatable ailment ... but you must detect it.

Hoping to ensure all women are checked for this rampant disease, the Charlevoix Area Hospital Circle of Strength support group is providing free mammograms.

"Our donors don't want money to be the barrier that prevents a woman from being screened for breast cancer," said Kathy Jacobsen, Charlevoix Area Hospital Community Health Educator. "The Circle of Strength of Charlevoix Area Hospital wants all women over the age of 40 to follow their doctor's recommendations and have a yearly mammogram. If there are changes to the breast or a lump is discovered

prior to, or after age 40, women should notify their health care provider immediately."

The Circle of Strength is able to fund this project through donations from the Pink Ribbon Race and the TRI-4-Fun among other fundraising events.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, other than non-melanoma skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer found in women and is the second leading cause of death in women of most races.

The National Cancer Institute says 192,370 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year alone. More than 40,000 of those women will die.

It is imperative, Jacobsen said, that women get tested since one in eight will develop breast cancer. According to mammogram vet-

eran Beth Uehlein, the test isn't as bad as it seems.

"It's certainly not terrifying," she said. "I just had a mammogram about a month ago ... and I was probably in the hospital for about 30 minutes."

Uehlein, 57, said the minor inconvenience of the yearly test is worth the peace of mind.

"Mom's sister was diagnosed with breast cancer, and I've had a couple lumps in the past — fortunately they were just fibroid cysts," she said. "We've all heard the bad jokes and poems about what an ordeal it is. It certainly isn't fun, but it is necessary, and I would advise everybody not to be afraid: get it done."

The free mammogram program at the hospital is intended for those women who have no insurance, are underinsured or whose co-

pay is burdensome. However, no proof of income or insurance is necessary for this free service, but a physician's order for the test is required.

Call Jacobsen at 547-8906 if you need this free service.

Upcoming events
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Behold, the power of seeds



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

By now we have heard a lot about the new, oldest, oldest fossils of upright walking creatures who were most likely our distant ancestors.

Family were walking around Africa's Rift Valley about four-and-a-half million years ago. I should be more precise about the dates. The lucky accident of datable volcanic ash has provided a date of 4.4 million years — plus or minus 50,000 years: a potential error of just over one percent. To a botanist like me, the finding of fossil trees, leaves and seeds of the same age in the same place was almost as interesting. Our earliest, up to now, ancestors appear to have lived in a forest.

Fossil seeds were found that could probably be closely related to trees currently living in Africa. Much of plant evolution proceeds at a dramatically slower pace than the changes we see in animals. To bring it closer to home: if we were able to wander around in the forests of Northern Michigan five or even 10 million years ago, we would be able to recognize most of the plants. There would be Maple trees, Beech trees and Pine trees at least. And we would be able to harvest and eat the Beech nuts and Pine nuts

much as we can now. I would be interested to know how much of the diet of our 4.4 million-years-ago ancestor consisted of the plant material that surrounded them. Some paleontologists, those who study ancient fossils, have suggested that, without the seeds of some plants as food, the evolution of humans would have been impossible. Consider how much of our current diet consists of seeds and the products of seeds. The majority of modern human food currently comes from the seeds of

three or four plants: wheat, corn, rice and probably barley — without beer, would life be worth living? Seed-bearing plants appear in the fossil record for the first time about 300 million years ago. And, by 100 million years ago they were the dominant kinds of plants on earth. So they were there for our use as soon as we appeared. Ardipithecus certainly must have been eating some of the seeds from plants that surrounded them. So, the next time you eat a slice of bread or drown a corn flake in milk or steam

some rice, say a thank-you to the idea of seeds. Think about it: any seed has to contain just the right combination of stored food to support a new plant until it can get along on its own. We are enough like plants to have most of our dietary needs supplied by a variety of seeds. Without seeds: no Ardipithecus; and without Ardipithecus: no us. Isn't the world a marvelous, even wondrous, place? Roger Knutson's column appears twice each month in the Charlevoix Courier. Contact Roger by e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com.

Memories not all 'roses in December'



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwidt

Has this ever happened to you? You're talking to someone that you've run into at the grocery store or the mutual window at the race track. They have hailed you by name, but the area in your brain where information about this particular person is stored has been compromised. There is a fuzzy recollection, but nothing specific — most certainly not the person's name — is available for recall. "Ohhhh, hi — How are youuuu?" is the best you can do to acknowledge the proverbial stranger. The most insufferable outcome of such a meeting is when, mid-conversation, you

are suddenly cognizant of the fact that this person is a jerk. Yes, you do know them, if not by name, then by the suddenly crystal clear memory of a distasteful encounter better left dormant. Maddeningly, by the time you put it all together you're already clapping him/her on the back and planning a barbeque with the spouses. What is it about failing to recognize someone that makes us so anxious to know them all over again? Wouldn't it be logical to assume that there must have been a lack of chemistry the first time around? But even forewarned and forearmed, things can still get dicey. At a time in my youth when the term "crash-pad" was still bandied about with some frequency, I agreed to meet an old acquaintance at a restaurant in Los Angeles. Before he'd called to say that he was in town, I hadn't heard from Steve since he'd been my lab partner in a ninth-grade science class. Fifteen years had passed since then, and I only remembered a shy, smart guy with

blond hair, Clark Kent glasses and a mouthful of braces that collected bits of food. I arrived early and chose a seat at the bar where I could keep an eye on the mirrored reflection of the front door. After a few minutes, a blondish guy entered and scanned the room. I swiveled on my stool. "Steve?" I said, when his gaze landed on me. He smiled. His teeth were very straight. "Steve! Hey, I'd know you anywhere," I lied. Steve grinned, stretched out his arms and charged. He swept me into a bear hug that left me gasping and planted a big wet kiss on my fruit-flavored Bonne Bell lip-gloss. "Mmm," he said. "Strawberry." "Watermelon," I corrected him, straining back in an effort to break his grip. He locked his fingers behind my back and held tight, gazing at me with a celebratory hunger. I had a moment of doubt. "Steve?" "Yeah," he laughed and repeated the hug and the kiss. This time he lifted me off the ground and added a fanny-

pat. I jerked free and regarded him with suspicion. "Steve Jacobs?" "Who else?" He lunged in for another grope-fest. The years must have been good to Steve, because, man, he had really gained a lot of confidence. Planting what I hoped would be a final, placating smooch on his cheek, I strong-armed him to a safe distance and suggested that we get a table. "Sure!" There was something too glittery in his eyes. Something that didn't make sense. His smile was a house on fire. It singed me with the heat of a habanero. "You are Steve Jacobs from Grand Blanc High School, right?" "Honey," he said, opening his arms for another hug "I'm whoever you want me to be." When "Steve" was made aware that our fling had ended, he took it in stride and ambled off in search of another idiot girl with a bad memory. I swished a mouthful of germ-killing wine and scrubbed my lips with my

cocktail napkin. The bartender grinned with an irritating comprehension. A few minutes later the door opened and I saw a grownup version of the kid who sat beside me for one semester. I glimpsed the familiar skinny freshman inside of this man who pushed his glasses

up on the bridge of his nose and cast a nervous glance at his surroundings. "Steve!" I yodeled. I would have known him anywhere. Christine Gwidt's column appears weekly in the Charlevoix Courier. E-mail her at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

WEEKLY POLL

Will the positive discipline model used by some local schools be more effective than traditional methods?
Yes (11 Votes, 31%)
No (25 Votes, 69%)

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More to serving God, man, than showing up



FAITHFUL SERVANT
Stephen Guthrie

There is a story told of a young Johnny Cash trying to break into the music business in the 1950s. Cash, a passionate man whose life went badly astray in his early years, was later able to credit Jesus for turning his life around. It wasn't like that for him in the beginning, though. As a young musician, Cash was a Memphis-based contemporary of Elvis Presley and Carl Perkins. He landed an audition with record producer Sam

Phillips of Sun Records, where many of the legendary recordings from early rock and roll were made. For the audition, Cash chose a gospel song originally sung by Jimmy Davis, with lyrics that began: "Were you there when Jesus saved me, saved my soul? The moment He forgave me, made me whole." They watch us go through the motions of religion, and fail to see the fruits of our relationship with the one we call Savior and Lord. But out there blended in the crowd, and not acting overtly religious, are quiet, humble people whose lives closely imitate the life of Christ. While the critics are pointing an accusatory finger at the hypocrite and phony, these imitations of Christ are going about doing meaningful work as a way to honor His name. As I consider this humble minority who are truly living their faith day in and day out, I can identify five distinct characteristics that set them apart from the

what we do and say. There are people out there who've heard of Christ and the difference he could make in their lives, but they are so swayed by the way many of us believers live our lives they want nothing to do with Him. They give generously of their time and money, never keeping accounts or expecting anything in return. In a world where talk is cheap, these people show up to do what needs doing. Second, the humble minority of servants emphasizes compassion over condemnation. They look at the unwashed and unlovable among us and find them worth loving simply because God loves them. And because they find reason to love, they are naturally driven to serve the unseen needs. The humble minority understands that old saying that there,

pew-warmer who treats Christianity like a social fraternity. First, these people think of themselves as servants, and regard it as a privilege to serve on Christ's behalf. They feed the hungry, house the homeless, and work to meet the needs of those who lack everything from clothing to heating oil. They give generously of their time and money, never keeping accounts or expecting anything in return. In a world where talk is cheap, these people show up to do what needs doing. Second, the humble minority of servants emphasizes compassion over condemnation. They look at the unwashed and unlovable among us and find them worth loving simply because God loves them. And because they find reason to love, they are naturally driven to serve the unseen needs. The humble minority understands that old saying that there,

but for the grace of God, go I. Third, the humble minority is willing to invest energy to be an encourager to the downtrodden. They are willing to walk alongside another hurting human heart for the purpose of offering hope. Fourth, they are willing to get their hands dirty to help. One of the ugly realities of getting involved is that people's lives are messy. The humble minority invests in others at a level beyond sympathy, which occurs from a safe distance, and instead displays empathy, which requires getting down in the mud to help another person get clean. Fifth, people of the humble minority operate on faith, and the visible evidence of that faith is their unwillingness to be paralyzed or upset by fear, worry or anxiety. They simply trust God. If we will look at life through the lens of a helpful heart we

will see all around us opportunities to serve and uplift. My friend Pastor Ward Potts calls this "the ministry of as." As we go through our day, he insists, we have countless opportunities to help and encourage, if only we look. Some among us don't want to look because they would have to actually do something about the need they see. We don't have to have a seminary education, a position of leadership, or a title to do the ministry of as. We simply have to love our neighbor as ourselves. So, in a watching world just waiting for an opportunity to find fault with us, the single most meaningful thing we Christians can do to advance the good news of Jesus Christ is to start living like we believe it ourselves. Steve Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services, by appointment at (231) 675-4682.

LETTERS to the editor

HOORAY FOR HUNTING PICTURES

Editor: I am responding to a letter in the Courier about being repulsed by hunting photos (Repulsed by Hunting Photos, Oct. 14, page five). I have seen these types of letters every year about this time. I understand free speech so I will exercise mine. I am thankful your paper puts these hunting photos in print. It really lets you know that people are out there enjoying nature and responsibly harvesting an animal for food, and in some cases, food and clothing from furs, pelts, etc.

It is not a repulsive thing. It is our right as human beings to hunt and fish. Before supermarkets, that is the way it was done for centuries. People seem to lose sight of that in today's fast paced society. It is OK to hunt. And, for a youngster, it is a great experience. And, to display these photos in the paper is awesome. We all get to see the harvest as it is intended to be. Keep taking the kids hunting.

TRAILS AND TRIBULATIONS

Editor: I am writing to protest the recent decision by the Road Commission to change their policy on the proposed non-motorized trail on Boyne City Road from detached to being attached to the highway. I am writing both as President of WATCH, and as a property owner on that road. There are some very

compelling reasons why the decision to reverse former policy was a terrible mistake, beginning with the young woman who was killed while riding a bicycle on just such an attached path near Boyne City a few years ago. The non-motorized path on M-119 is very safe, except in the area where it is attached to

the highway. The attached area contains the only memorial on that road. Several organizations. See LETTERS, page 10

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So through the month of October, the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce is joining the Chambers across the state to celebrate Chamber of Commerce Month. It is a statewide effort to recognize Chamber contributions in respective communities & to create awareness about their programs of work. Contact the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce at 547.2101, manager@charlevoix.org, or stop by to discover more about its programs, resources, & opportunities.



PENCIL IT IN!

October 18 Customer Appreciation Night at Edgewater Bistro
October 18 Grand Bridal Expo at Castle Farms
October 22 Chamber Ambassador Meeting
October 22 Lord of the Gourd Pumpkin Carving
October 22 Ticked Pink at the Charlevoix Hospital
October 28 How to Start Your Own Business

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Bridal Expo '09

Cindy Whitley and Theresa Price of Petoskey Bridal Salon offers all you need in a wedding outfit. The bridal salon has been serving wedding couples with tuxedos, dresses and more for more than 30 years.



One of dozens of vendors showing their wares and services during the annual Grand Bridal Expo on Sunday Oct. 18 at Castle Farms of Charlevoix was A Plus Digital DJs. Tom and Stacy Heath of Boyne City operate the company which provides wedding march music via Tom's violin and party music for the wedding reception.



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Hail to the Chief

Newly Elected Kiwanis President Larry Minch (left) president of the Charlevoix Kiwanis Club accepts the gavel from outgoing President Carolyn Navarre. Minch was inducted by Division #22 LT/GOV. Dave Garland representing the Michigan District of Kiwanis International, to join the service club, call Larry Minch at 547-2464.

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Duane Arnott of East Jordan's Arnott's Farm holds up one of the thousands of jars of honey he produces each year during the Oct. 15 East Jordan farmers market. Arnott said he uses nearly 150 pounds of honey for personal consumption alone, putting it in his tea and spreading crystallized honey on toast.

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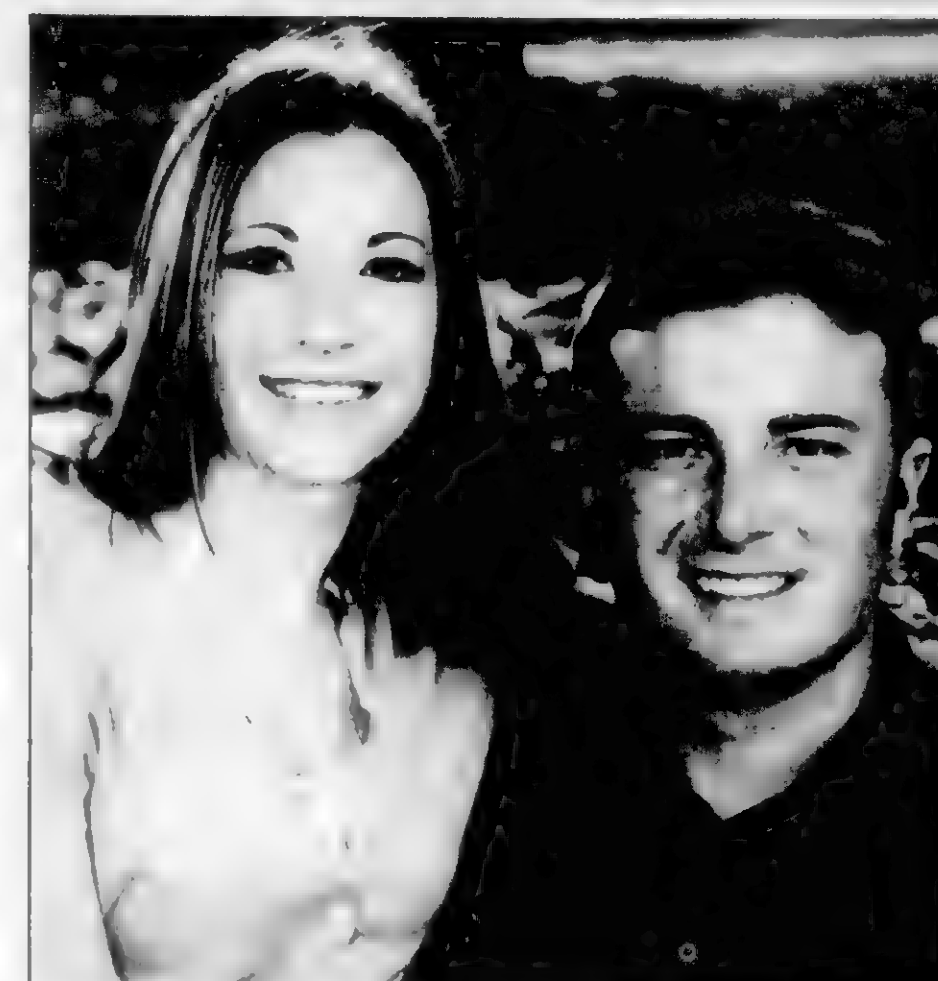
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TUCKER-DAVIS

Mr. and Mrs. William Tucker Jr. of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Max Davis of St. Louis, Mo., and Ann Peterson of Charlevoix are announcing the engagement of their children, Abigail Tucker of Fort Wayne and Justin Davis of Fort Wayne and formerly of Charlevoix.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Columbia City High School. Justin completed a tour of duty in the U.S. Marine Corps in July 2009. He is currently a full-time student at Ivy Tech in Fort Wayne.

Abigail and Justin are planning a Saturday, Nov. 14, 2009, wedding in Fort Wayne.

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Lions installed

The Charlevoix Lions Club's, now in its 47th year, recently installed new officers. They are (front, from left) treasurer Walt Hufford, first vice-president John Dixon and Secretary Cheryl LaLone; (back, from left) third vice-president Mike Bennett, second vice-president Jack Weber, and King Lion Ron Moore. Go to chilions.org for more information.

A grand friend

Greer LaCroix and her grandmother Joann Patrick are seen here on Grandfriend's Day at Charlevoix Elementary School recently. The two had lunch in the school's cafeteria.



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What's happening at the Charlevoix Library...

NEW in the Children's Department
 Every two weeks, a new craft will be available for anyone and everyone to make and then take home.

Teens: Do you love video and want to learn more about it? Join the teens lounge (10-12pm) available at the library.

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OBITUARIES

Alan Layne Burke: April 4, 1954 - Oct. 12, 2009

Alan Layne Burke, age 55 years, passed away on Oct. 12, 2009, due to an unexpected illness.

He was born on April 4, 1954, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Edmund and Darlene Burke.

He was preceded in death by his father, Edmund, and his niece, Dana Burke.

He lived most of his life in the Petoskey-Charlevoix area, but most recently resided in Alpena.

Alan loved the outdoors and was an avid fisherman and hunter.

Alan is survived by his wife, Sheila (Harris), a son, Tyler, and a daughter, Kassie. He is also survived

by his mother, Darlene, a brother Edmund (Vicki) Burke of Denver, Colorado; two sisters, Glenda (Ron) Nelson of Dayton, Ohio, and Kathy (James) Boyer of Elk Rapids, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In keeping with his wishes and Alan's general

spirit, his organs will be donated to the Gift of Life Foundation.

For those desiring, contributions can be made to the Sunrise Mission, 622 West Chisholm, Alpena, Michigan 49707.

A memorial service will be held in Charlevoix, Michigan at a future date.

Spirit of the wild

Stesch Szczepanski, age 12, of Charlevoix, managed to take this four-point buck on Sept. 27 during the state's annual youth hunt. Send photos of your hunting and fishing trips to news@charlevoixcourier.com and they will be published as soon as space is available.



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Weed killer

The Governor and several lawmakers have lauded Carol Apol's (far left) efforts to eradicate phragmites from Norwood's shoreline. She was presented with their signed resolution at the Norwood Township September board meeting. In less than a year the Norwood board was able to identify the phragmites problem, hold informational meetings, pass an ordinance addressing the foregoing problem, take bids and sign a contract for spraying along the Norwood shoreline.



Courtesy photo

Marriage covenant signing, classes

At 1 p.m. on Friday Oct. 23 on the steps of the Charlevoix County Building's east entrance, there will be a mass signing of a community marriage covenant.

This event is open to

the public. The document will act as a guide for local community and church leaders to help troubled married couples find their way.

Classes on the Marriage Savers program will fol-

low with a conference from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Charlevoix Methodist Church with Mike McManus.

He is author of two books: *Living Together: Myths, Risks & Answers;*

and *How to Cut America's Divorce Rate in Half*. The second day of the conference is from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 24. To register for this event, call Ron Willey at 237-9392.

Make Time to Worship

Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 95291 M-44 North	7:00 p.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:10 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Mike Way 547-4430
BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Elmer Road	9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m. Pastor: Ray Penell 336-2161
BELTOWER REFORMED CHURCH 884 E. Elm St. • Beloit	10:00 a.m. Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff
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BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 65855 M-66	11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Pastor: James D. Green 547-4380
CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 104 State Street	9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5164
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH State Street at Clinton	10:00 a.m. Sunday Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. Services: "Worship & Prayer" are provided Church Office 547-4372 Rev. John S. David
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 205 E. Clinton Street	11:00 a.m. Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. Reading Room Wednesday 10:00 a.m.
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CROSSINGS

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Foundation board member. "When you examine the book from the perspective of art, a great story line, the fact that you could win \$5000, the family/group shared experience, local history, the fact that local talent was used to create it and the Native American cultural heritage included."

"It's a phenomenal project," she added.

Lyn Jenks initiated the idea of an interactive adventure book.

She then presented the idea to Liz Ahrens at Crooked Tree.

However, the concept of the book was not an original idea.

In the 1970s, English author Kit Williams wrote a book called *Masquerade*, filled with clues leading the reader to a destination.

The book "stuck with" Jenks and when faced with new fundraising dilemmas she said, "I kept thinking there has to be a way to turn this into something that can earn money."

It took the readers of Williams' book three years to decipher the clues.

Jenks had different plans for this adventure book.

"Frankly, I'd love to have 3000 right answers," she said.

Jenks consulted Aikin on the difficulty of the puzzle with that premise in mind.

Since the book's release

on Aug. 25 the foundation has received two correct answers.

"The minute we get it (an entry), I e-mail them and let them know if they are right or wrong," Jenks said.

Crossings is illustrated by local artists Jan Hoffman, Larissa Flynn, Mary Jill Lemieux, Margaret White, Laura Cherven, Catherine Carey, Glen McCune, Kelli Snively, Valerie Thomson, Steve Toornman, Meredith Krell, Marilyn Stockwell, Carol Ross and Russ and Sue Bolt.

Each artist was given a page from the book from which they produced an original piece of artwork that was reproduced in the book.

Ahrens oversaw the artist's contributions.

"When we saw the originals and saw how they all came together, it was gripping; it was as if they had all collaborated together," Faculak said.

There was "absolutely no contest" said Aikin, when referring to the piece of artwork selected for the cover. "In that one piece he (McCune) captured the flavor and the feelings for the title and concept of the book."

This is Charlevoix resident Aikin's first book.

"I have really strong feelings about giving, and giving to the community is how I spend my time," she said.

Aikin said she was struck by a great idea.

Aikin sought the advice of local Indian tribesman Frank

Ettawegeshik and began to read as many historical books about Northern Michigan as possible.

"I just read all those books and simultaneously researched," Aikin said. "I really didn't know where we would end up. As I found one thing it would lead to the next place we would visit."

By "we" Aikin is referring to herself and her 5-year-old grandson Skylar, that "in her mind" she took along with her as she wrote Crossings.

This year marks the third train trip Aikin and Skylar take together, consequently, a train ride from a boy's perspective is an important part of the book.

"I think I had an idea from the beginning that I had a spirit and the spirit would be Odawa," Aikin said.

Included in the book is Odawa language and a glossary.

"Using that language in here with the meaning of the words is hopefully also fun for the children," Aikin said. "Crossings" can be purchased through the Crooked Tree Arts Center in Petoskey or online at www.crookedtree.org, or www.CAH.org, as well as numerous locations in Petoskey, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Ellsworth, Atwood, Boyne City and Harbor Springs.

There are 3,000 books available with a purchase price of \$35.

Each book includes an entry form for the \$5,000 raffle to be held on Aug. 1, 2010.



PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Lyn Jenks, (from left) Patti Aikin and Mary Faculak hold a banner promoting a unique fundraiser for the Charlevoix Area Hospital and the Crooked Tree Arts Center.



Bookworms

Pictured after a long day of stocking shelves with hundreds of books are Northwest Academy freshmen Beth Gohs, 14, and KayLee Davie, 13. The school's new library was built in the north building and the shelves were donated by the senior class of 2009.

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LETTERS to the editor

LETTERS
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including the Charlevoix County Planning Department (see the new Charlevoix County Recreation Plan) and Top of Michigan Trails Council have been working for years to establish detached non-motorized trails. The Harbor Springs to Charlevoix trail is a masterpiece of inter-community cooperation. Detached trails increase property values because of the added amenity. And now the Road Commission wants to set back all that effort and progress and increased health and safety benefits for citizens, 20 years or more, by supporting a very dangerous plan.

The reason given is a fear of being sued by property owners because maybe the Road Commission would lose. I am one property owner who pledges not to sue. And what if you are sued by a family who has had a loved one killed or maimed on an attached trail?

It happens all too frequently.

Do you really think that parents will let their children use an attached trail with cars whizzing by at high speeds just a couple feet away?

I urge both the road commissioners and the county commissioners to put the health and safety of your fellow citizens first and re-

verse the current policy so that when Boyne City Road is up-graded, it will include a detached, non-motorized trail.

We all will thank you, including our children and our grandchildren for years to come.

Bill Henne, president of WATCH
Charlevoix

PRAISE FOR
PETUNIA PEOPLE

Editor:
"Keep Charlevoix Beautiful" is a tax exempt charitable organization in Charlevoix which involves itself with the beautification of the city of Charlevoix.

Each year the people of Charlevoix plant five miles of petunias along the main streets of the city.

There are also huge baskets of petunias hanging from lampposts in the downtown area and in the local park, which has recently been officially recognized by the American Planning Association as "A Great Public Space," one of the best public places in the nation.

"Keep Charlevoix Beautiful" has been working for the beautification of Charlevoix for over 30 years and would like to voice our gratitude to both the residents who plant the flowers and the donors of both time, money and articles which to auction for their faithful service.

Thank you to the people

of Charlevoix once again for volunteering and to the restaurants and businesses of our city for donating both the food and the auction items to insure the success of another petunia fundraiser.

Enjoy the flowers and our beautiful city of Charlevoix. We are indeed fortunate to live in this beautiful space!

Nancy Kline and Judy Willey

Co-chairs of Bids for Blooms and Keep Charlevoix Beautiful

BORED TO HOCKEY

Editor:

I think we need more after school activities. It is because most kids are going home and being lazy. Maybe they can try something new. So why not?

I think we need more sports for an after school activity because, some kids are bored after school. Some kids get tired of all of their little siblings. So why not have after school activities?

Another activity we can have is arts and crafts. So then the parents can get rid of their child. The child can have fun at the same time too. I just think they will enjoy it. It is all up to you.

The last activity is hockey. It's because some kids enjoy it a lot. Some kids that like it can even play. You can have fun instead of being bored. You can get away from your family

members too.

Sean Larkins

Sixth-grade student,
Charlevoix Middle School

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Charlevoix Middle School

POSITIVE
ENFORCEMENT

Editor:

The Charlevoix Police Department in conjunction with the Charlevoix Kiwanis Club wish to thank our sponsors and volunteers for making the Positive Enforcement Program a success. We started the local program to reach out to our youth, by handing out rewards to those that are "caught" doing something positive in the community.

Over 100 rewards were given for good deeds that range from walking bicycles downtown and wearing helmets, to one youth who helped an elderly female step up onto the sidewalk.

Special thanks also to

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Don't miss haunted happenings
Rayder actors to perform
classic 'Sleepy Hollow'

BY MAGGIE PETERSON
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

"Our goal is to get the audience scared, and then we turn it around."

The legend of Sleepy Hollow lives at Charlevoix High School Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 24-25.

The performing arts program presents this classic as an all-ages musical featuring 21 actors, five on tech crew and about 15 students working behind the scenes.

The setting is early 1800s in Sleepy Hollow, a small Dutch farming community about 27 miles from New York.

Ichabod Crane has just arrived as a new school master and is the talk of the town.

The musical is a bit darker than others by the school in previous years — many students contrasted it to "Seussical the Musical" — and comes just in time for Halloween.

"Our goal is to get the audience scared, and then we turn it around," junior Morgan McCarthy said of the music in the play.

Morgan plays the role of Mrs. Van Wiesel, a woman she said plays into the stereotype of a strict, uptight and fearless school head-

master.

"It was harder to get into her character than the other roles I've played."

I'm not a person to be up tight... When other people are jolly, you want to be jolly too, but you have to be strict," she noted.

Joining her at the school is James Gaudette portraying schoolmaster Ichabod Crane.

"I was not expecting to get a large lead (role)," the senior said.

However, he noted that he's grown into the part, learning how to play the role of a scaredy cat who's always trying to save face.

"He tries to be more level-headed than others and more educated," James said.

The role of Ichabod puts him at odds with Brom Bones for the affections of Katrina. Katrina's mother, Mrs. Van Tassel, is played by Ashley Van Wormer.

Ashley said Mrs. Van Tas-

sel enjoys gossip and often passes along information to the audience through songs.

She noted that although she took part in musicals and singing when younger, she's looking forward to her first high school production.

"I love it. This is my home. I get to be another person, but my favorite person. These people are my family," the sophomore added.

"Sleepy Hollow" will be performed at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, in the Charlevoix High School auditorium.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, call 547-8226.

Contact Maggie Peterson at mpeter@petoskeynews.com.

For more on local Halloween happenings, go to page 13.



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tend substance abuse classes; not to operate a motor vehicle; \$1,230 in fines and costs.

Jennifer Nicole Strickland, 28, Petoskey. False pretenses, more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; to serve 15 days of community service work; to serve six

months on probation; \$850 in fines and costs.

Paul Ernest Archambault, 65, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Credit for two days in jail; serve 30 days on an electronic monitoring device; 61 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$930 in fines and costs.

Angela Marie Garnsey, 23, Boyne City. Obtained drugs using a false prescription. Pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Timothy William Richards, 19, Cheboygan. Retail fraud, third degree; minor in possession of alcohol. To serve 10 days in jail; 73 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test, not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$930 in fines and costs.

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ASSUMED NAMES
The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

T & T Entertainment, 10435 Westshore Drive, Charlevoix, by Thomas and Treasure Eggers

BIRTHS

Weston Anthony James

weighing 6 pounds, 4 ounces was born Oct. 10 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Chad and Amanda James of East Jordan.

His sibling is Porter. His grandparents are Bill and Mary James of Ellsworth. Stephan and Nancy Weber, Gino and Kelley Longo all of Boyne City, Robert and Jane Weber of Colorado Springs, Colo.

His great-grandparents are

Sybil Wynsma of Ellsworth and John Amick of Oscoda. Gary Alan VandenBrook, Jr. weighing 8 pounds was born Oct. 9 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Lynda Dawley and Gary VandenBrook of Ellsworth.

His grandparents are John and Martha Volante of Atwood, Richard VandenBrook of Ellsworth and Rhoda Colwell of Central Lake.

His great-grandparents are

Wednesday, OCTOBER 21, 2009

Charlevoix swelling with spooky Halloween activities

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Spook season is upon us. For the brave of heart, nothing is more fun than a good old fashioned scare. And, when the fun and games serve to benefit local organizations, the entire community stands to benefit from a few creepy haunts and ghostly gatherings.

Just across town, the United States Coast Guard will host its annual Haunted Station to benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry.

The spooky event will take place 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Oct. 27 and 28.

In years past when the cutter *Acacia* used to be stationed at Charlevoix, the Coast Guard hosted a haunted ship.

"It was the scariest thing ever," said long-time Charlevoix resident Kim Schoenheit.

"It terrified me, and the haunted station that's taken its place since the *Acacia* is different, but just as good."

As in previous years, the members of the United States Coast Guard service at station Charlevoix will transform their boat house at 101 Coast Guard Road across from Depot Beach into one of Charlevoix's most bone-chilling Halloween haunts.

According to Petty Officer Klaus Eisbrenner, this year's theme is The Haunted Station and almost 30 Coast Guard members will be involved.

"It's a lot of fun," Eis-

"It's (haunted station) a great way for us to give back to the community."

PETTY OFFICER
KLAUS EISBRENNER
U.S. COAST GUARD

brenner said.

"It's a great way for us to get involved in the community and give back."

Cost for admission is one canned item to be donated to the food pantry.

For the adults in the crowd, Fright Night is back as the Children's House Montessori hosts their annual fundraiser and costume party from 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Oct. 30, at the Castle.

The evening is scheduled to include dancing, dinner by Grey Gables, a silent auction, costume contest and cash bar. Tickets are \$35 and all proceeds benefit the Charlevoix Children's House.

With Halloween still a few weeks away, Charlevoix is already brewing up a frightening mix of Halloween activities for kids and adults of all ages to celebrate this year's All Hallows' Eve.

Viewer discretion is advised for all local haunted houses and parents are reminded to be aware of the frightening nature of these events.



FILE PHOTO

This undated file photo shows two participants of the annual Charlevoix Children's House Montessori School's fundraiser "Fright Night." The costume party is from 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Oct. 30 at Castle Farms. There will be a catered dinner, cash bar and entertainment all for \$35 with proceeds to help the school.

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Hunters' Banquet benefits food pantry

At 6 p.m. on Oct. 29 at the VFW hall, US 31 North in Charlevoix, the annual Hunters' Banquet will be held.

The pig roast dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. There will be a 50/50 raffle drawing at 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker Fred Parsons will talk about elk hunting in Colorado and Michigan black powder at 7:45 p.m.

At 8 p.m. the \$1,000 shopping give-away will be called. At 8:15 there will be a hunting story. At 8:30 p.m. the second 50/50 raffle draw will occur. Call Gabe Campbell at 547-9739 for ticket information.

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Ragamuffins soothe the sick

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Northern Michigan singing and dancing group also known as the Ragamuffin Theater and Company has recently returned from the volunteer trip of a lifetime. Prompted by a continued desire to serve and give back to the community, members of the troupe packed their bags,

costumes, makeup and music and headed south to University of Michigan's C.S. Mott's Children's Hospital to perform for the children confined to the hospital.

"As Ragamuffin's, we just love to serve," said group member Kathryn Sell, who has been a part of the Ragamuffin group for almost 10 years. According to Kathryn and many of the girls,

"It opened my eyes to how truly thankful I am for my health."

KATHRYN SELL
RAGAMUFFIN THEATRE TROUPE

the trip was both an eye-opening and remarkably rewarding experience. "It opened my eyes to how truly thankful I am for my health," Kathryn said. "Through the children's pain and hardship you could see threads of hope that kept them fighting."

Due to the difficult nature of the trip and the distance traveled only members 16 years of age and older were allowed to par-

ticipate in the volunteer activity. Eight girls worked together with Ragamuffin director Kathleen Whittaker to put on as much of their "So You Think You're A Princess" performance as possible with a smaller cast.

According to group member and Charlevoix High School senior, Shauna Bradley, despite the shortened performance, the impact on the patients and the girls

was profound.

"It was an amazing experience," Shauna said. "It made me realize that [we] have such an impact... even if [we] don't have a lot to give," she added. "As long as you're willing to make the effort and have the heart to go out and invest in people's lives you can make such a difference."

The Ragamuffin Theater and Company is a non profit organization dedicated and committed to helping young people grow and develop in all fields of the performing arts. Director Kathleen Whittaker started the group

in 2000 as a means for the talented youth of Charlevoix and Northern Michigan to come together and truly create something special.

Kathleen is a firm believer in the musical and artistic talent of every willing child. "My goal is to help each member discover and develop their God given talents," she says, "so that they can experience the joy that comes from doing what they were created to do."

For more information or to get involved visit www.ragamuffin-theatre.com

Wednesday, OCTOBER 21, 2009

Environmental efforts bring success

Additional actions proposed at environmental project

"...recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

David Mengebier
President, CMS Land Company

PETOSKEY, Mich., (Sept. 21, 2009) - CMS Land Company reports that significant progress has been made in addressing environmental issues related to the defunct cement plant that once operated on the shores of Little Traverse Bay. The abandoned site was redeveloped in 1994 into what are now Resort Township's East Park and the Bay Harbor Resort. August water monitoring results verify that pH readings above the action level of nine have been virtually eliminated and human health and safety concerns have been effectively addressed. In August, only one reading above nine (9.12, similar to baking soda) was recorded in an isolated area west of the Bay Harbor golf course clubhouse. These results build on months of increasingly positive results and are a dramatic contrast to the dozens of pH readings above nine that were recorded in 2005, before CMS began its work at the site.

"These important environmental accomplishments are the result of a lot of hard work and substantial investment," said David Mengebier, CMS Land Company president. "The June reopening of East Park, the lifting of several health advisories, and these most recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

In reporting these results, CMS also noted two important milestones in completing work at the site: review and approval by regulators of the Remedial Investigation/Alternative Evaluation (RI/AE) studies for East Park and the Bay Harbor development and continued work to identify a local option for disposing of water collected at the site.

In late summer, CMS Land submitted the RI/AEs to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The RI/AEs use established scientific processes to evaluate the effectiveness of both current and long-term remedies at both locations. The EPA and DEQ will consider public input while reviewing the documents and then can approve the documents or request additional study. Once approved, the RI/AEs will outline the final work involved with the project.

"We believe we have done an excellent job so far. We are hopeful that the RI/AEs will be reviewed and approved in a timely manner so that we can build on our progress and bring the project to a successful conclusion," said Mengebier.

In addition, work is underway to identify a local remedy to dispose of the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor. The collection and treatment of large quantities of groundwater is the primary method CMS is using to address pH and mercury at the site. Different options under review would safely treat the water and release it to the lake, pump the water into the City of Petoskey's water treatment system for treatment, or involve the construction of a local disposal well near the site. CMS is currently shipping up to 27 trucks containing 11,500 gallons of water a day to Traverse City and Johannesburg for disposal.

"Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns, and cost, is not a realistic long-term remedy," Mengebier said. "We absolutely need—and are encouraged that the public has expressed a desire—to identify a local solution to a local concern."

East Park and Bay Harbor were reclaimed from the site of an abandoned cement factory covering 1,200 acres and five miles of Lake Michigan shoreline. The brownfield site was redeveloped in 1994 and was the largest reclamation project in North America.

While no longer a partner in the project that redeveloped an abandoned cement factory into the Bay Harbor community and two public parks, CMS Land Company agreed to address certain environmental issues associated with the cement dust left behind by the cement plant. CMS has worked for five years and spent more than \$90 million on the project to date and has achieved significant environmental progress in the protection of Little Traverse Bay.

For more information about the work done as part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit www.protectingourbay.com

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders' soccer team finish 17-1

Ty Jones scored three goals as Charlevoix clinched its first Lake Michigan Conference boys' soccer championship Tuesday with a 6-0 victory over Harbor Springs.

The Rayders, who are ranked fifth in the Division III state coaches poll, improved to 17-1 overall, 8-1 in the conference. They close the regular season

with a league match at Grayling today, Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The Rayders avenged their only loss of the season with the victory over the Rams on Tuesday. In that loss, Charlevoix goalie Nick Brandi did not play.

"Brandi had a couple really great saves," said Charlevoix coach Josh Block.

Thomas Rich scored two goals and had two assists, Boog Nitchman had one goal and three assists, and Jones also had an assist.

Last week, Ben Meyers scored three goals as Charlevoix defeated Leland, 6-0, in a non-league game on Friday. The Rayders, ranked fifth in the Division III state

coaches poll, finish the regular season 17-1. Boog Nitchman added two goals, Matt Klooster had a goal and an assist, Wyatt Drost scored a goal, and Thomas Rich, Nitchman and Meyers each added an assist. Nick Brandi earned the shutout in goal. Charlevoix boys' soccer clinches Lake Michigan Conference title.



Ty Jones helped the Rayders clinch their first-ever Lake Michigan Conference championship with three goals for a 6-0 victory over Harbor Springs on Oct. 13.

FILE PHOTO

Rayders best Kalkaska 49-7



Jess

Isaac Hesper ran for 149 yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries as Charlevoix took a step toward a playoff berth with a Lake Michigan Conference victory on Friday at Kipke Field.

Charlevoix, which led, 30-0 at halftime, improved to 5-3 overall, 3-3 in the league.

The Rayders need a win in their regular-season finale on Friday, Oct. 23, at home against Harbor Springs to wrap up their second straight playoff berth and their fourth in the last five years.

The Rams are 2-5 overall.

0-5 Lake Michigan entering their game on Saturday, Oct. 17, at home against East Jordan, 0-7, 0-5.

"It was a good win for our team," Charlevoix coach Don Jess said.

"Now we have to get ready for Harbor Springs next week."

Quarterback Clayton Mitchell ran for 71 yards and a TD on eight carries for the Rayders on Friday, while Casey Helstrom added 38 yards and two TDs on four attempts, and John Boss carried the ball eight times for 41 yards and one TD.

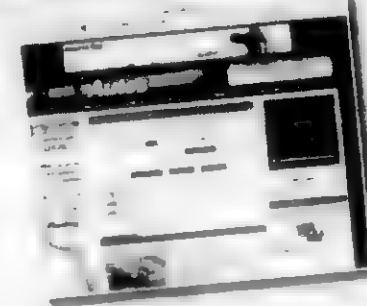
Hunter Johnstone made 10 tackles to lead Charlevoix's defense, while Casey Helstrom and J.T. Lawrence made eight stops apiece, and Chris Levens and Bill Ivan each recorded one sack.

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Lady Rayders fall in volleyball

"Elk Rapids didn't play well in the first games, but they really picked up their game to get the win."

LIZ GRUNCH

CHARLEVOIX RAYDERS' VARSITY VOLLEYBALL COACH

Charlevoix squandered a two-games-to-none lead Thursday in falling to Elk Rapids in a Lake Michigan Conference match.

The Rayders won the first two games, 25-5, 25-11, then fell, 24-26, 20-25 and 10-15.

"Elk Rapids didn't play well in the first games, but they really picked up their game to get the win," Charlevoix coach Liz Grunch said.

Charlevoix is 29-16-2 overall, 8-3 league. The Elks are 21-19-3, 7-2.

Katie Mays had 10 kills and 11 digs, Allison Hankins had 14 kills and four blocks, and setter Jenna Way notched 33 assists,

20 digs and four aces to lead the Rayders.

Other Charlevoix standouts: Taylor Storm, 23 digs; Sarah Potter, 16 digs, five kills; Isis Hang, four kills, 18 digs; Bobbie Molter, five kills, seven digs.

Sam Matthews and Kelly VanDeusen had 12 kills apiece for Elk Rapids.

Elk Rapids won the junior varsity match, 25-19, 26-28, 25-21.

Megan Peters had seven kills and Tanesha Rogers added six for Charlevoix.

Charlevoix won the freshman match, 25-13, 25-10, 25-12.

Anna Way and Paige Poirer were standouts for the Rayders.



V-ball island style

The Islanders competed at the 7th annual Mackinac Island Volleyball Tournament on Oct. 10. Despite finishing fourth in their four-team pool, they defeated the top team in the other pool in bracket play and finished tied for third overall out of eight teams. Senior Briana Maudrie (right) of Beaver Island takes aim while teammates Brontee Lemmink (6) and Jenna Butler (20) await the results.

Photos by Frank Solte



Beaver Island senior Alex Kuligowski (above) nails a spike against Posen during the 7th Annual Mackinac Island volleyball tournament Oct. 10. Named to the all-tourney team, Kuligowski led the Islanders past Posen and on to a third place tie overall out of eight teams. DeTour was the tournament winner with Alanson finishing second.

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Manufacturing making a comeback Kasper seeking to expand

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
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Diversity is helping one new Charlevoix business thrive in this sluggish economy.

In May, Kasper Manufacturing moved from Gaylord to Charlevoix for more business opportunities and a better location.

"My parents owned a machine shop, so I've been in this industry my whole life," said owner David Kasper, who has more than 36 years of experience in the industry.

The machine shop makes everything from automobile and aviation parts, to sporting goods, and even surgical equipment.

Kasper Manufacturing originally opened in Gaylord in 2008.

When they moved to Charlevoix this spring, business started to boom. The company now has customers from around the country.

"We manufacture pretty much everything," said Kasper.

"Right now we're working on some archery products, Chrysler Sebring rooftops, and making transmission parts."

Kasper believes his com-

"Things weren't as easy at first ... but since the move to Charlevoix, things have really picked up."

KRISTINA KASPER
KASPER MANUFACTURING

ny's ability to do more than one part or piece at a time is what sets them apart from other machine shops. The company also works to keep their overhead costs low and pass that savings on to their customers.

"We're not just sticking to one field. When we started this business, we decided we were going to diversify in order to stay here," said Kasper.

"Things weren't as easy at first," added Kristina Kasper, David's wife. "When we first opened in 2008, it was dead. But since the move to Charlevoix, things have really picked up."

Kristina serves as the company's secretary and also helps out in the shop when needed.

"Right now, people are searching us out because so many manufacturing companies have gone under," said David.

"So I think the fact we can take on a variety of projects is really helping us out."

Kasper Manufacturing currently has four employees.

Plans are in the works to expand and hire more employees in the future.

The Kaspers say they're happy to be doing the work they love here in Charlevoix.

"I enjoy making things," said David.

"I love getting the print, going out in the shop and making it. I can't imagine not doing this for a living."

"We're extremely happy to be here in Charlevoix," added Kristina.

"The summer was great, and the people and community support have been wonderful."

Kasper Manufacturing is located at 8911 Martin Road in Charlevoix.

For more information, visit their Web site at www.kaspermfg.com or call 547-6700.

Kasper Manufacturing is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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David Kasper of Kasper Manufacturing of Charlevoix is seen working on a piece of heavy equipment in his new shop located at 8911 Martin Road. Kasper can make anything from automotive parts to sporting goods accessories such as bow and arrow parts.

Plan for Retirement – This Week and Every Week

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor

You might not see it on your calendar, but Oct. 18 - 24 is National Save for Retirement Week. This event, endorsed by Congress, is designed to promote the benefits of saving for retirement and to encourage workers to take full advantage of their employer-sponsored retirement plans — so you may want to use this week as a starting point to do just that.

For many of us, the need to boost our retirement savings is critical. In fact, some 55 percent of Americans report that the total value of their household's savings and investments, excluding the value of their primary home and any defined benefit plans, is less than \$25,000, according to the 2009 Retirement Confidence Survey, sponsored by the Employee Benefit Research Institute.

Also, the decline in popularity of these

defined benefit plans — the traditional pension plans that make payments based primarily on years of service — is one reason that saving for retirement has become such a major issue. From 1980 to 2008, participation in defined benefit plans among full-time workers in private industry declined from 76 percent to 24 percent, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In many cases, these defined benefit plans have been replaced by defined contribution plans, such as 401(k) plans — which means that much of the responsibility of adequately funding retirement has shifted from the employer to the individual.

Given these factors, it's clear that you must be proactive in building resources to achieve the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned. So, consider taking the following steps:

- Contribute to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan. If possible, try to put in as much as you can afford to your 401(k) or other tax-advantaged, employer-sponsored plan, such as a 403(b) or 457(b). It's a good idea to spread your 401(k) dollars among the available investments in a way that reflects your

risk tolerance and time horizon. And as your income increases, try to increase your 401(k) contributions. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered. Due to the prolonged economic slump, some employers have cut back or eliminated their 401(k) matching contributions, but if one is offered, take advantage of it.

- Open an IRA. Even if you contribute to a 401(k), you are probably still eligible to open an IRA. A traditional IRA can grow on a tax-deferred basis, and a Roth IRA grows tax-free, provided you've had your account for at least five years and don't begin taking withdrawals until you're 59-1/2. Plus, you can usually find that an IRA provides more investment options than a 401(k) plan.

- Rebalance your investment portfolio regularly. During the long bear market, many new retirees faced difficulties when they were forced to tap into investment portfolios whose value had dropped significantly. You can help avoid this problem by periodically reviewing and rebalancing your investments. So for example, if you know you're going to retire within the next

five years, you may want to consider shifting some of your assets into shorter-term investments that may not be as susceptible to market volatility. You can speak with a financial advisor, who can help you review your specific situation.

By making the right moves, you can turn every week into a "Save for Retirement" week. And you'll probably be glad you did, once your actual retirement week arrives.

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CRAFTSMAN TABLE saw, 1-1/2 horsepower motor, 5/8 arbor, 6-8" diameter blade, stand, \$100. Delta drill press, 1/2" chuck, 1 horsepower motor. \$75. (989)732-6003.(15)

CROCK LARGE regular, 23" high x 18" across. \$59 (231)536-2982.

1350 SUPER SAVERS

DAYBED, COMPLETE with bedding. \$25. (989)732-6297.(21)

EVENFLO CAR seat. Rear and front facing until 5 years old. Grandmas. Excellent condition. \$35. (989)732-8085.(21)

FOUR WINTERTRAX. P17570R13. \$75. Four winter A/T P23570R16. \$95. Electric heater. \$45. Kerosene heater, supplies. \$75. Snow Blower. \$45. (989)731-2898.(17)

GARAGE DOOR opener, \$40. Large dog crate, \$25. Old 6 pane window, \$20 each. Vintage screen door, \$25. Floor lamp, \$25. 2 metal chairs, \$10 each. (248)425-5833.

GIRL'S CLOTHES 3T: Columbia jacket, (2) lightweight coats, pink jumper with poodles, pink jeans, sweats, skirt. Clean, good condition. All for \$50. (231)881-0630.

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES Blues Clues, Barbie Rainbow, black and pink witch dress with hat, white fairy, sizes 4 - 6, \$8 each. (231)525-9880

INDOOR SWIVEL rocking wicker chair. Flowered cushions. \$45. Sony 27" television. \$45. Sony AM/FM CD player with remote. \$40. (989)350-8587.(21)

KEYBOARD ELECTRIC Kawai FS 800, \$100. Men's 26" Specialized Hardrock 18 speed bike, \$100 (989)335-0458.

KING MATTRESSES. \$75. Full mattresses. \$75. White/cherry crib and changing table. \$100. Brown changing table. \$50. Pine crib. \$50 (989)858-1454.(21)

KITCHEN TABLE with ceramic tile top, oak trim and 4 chairs, great condition. \$100 or best offer. (231)348-7357

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MAGNAVOX 19" color television. \$75. With digital converter. \$95. (989)731-6712.(17)

NATIVITY SET 8 piece, indoor/outdoor, illuminated. \$60. (231)348-5889.

OAK KITCHEN table. Octagon shape. \$80/best. (989)705-7746 after 5:30pm.(21)

OFFICE EQUIPMENT Shaw Walker 4-drawer legal file with lock, \$300. (2) Genicom 5000 Series 1800 ipm dot matrix printer. \$600 new, selling used for \$300. (3) Okidata Pagemark 3410 dot matrix printer. \$300 Reasonable offers considered. Please contact Shelli at (231)439-9373 or Michelle at (231)439-9319.

OLDER POKER table. Refinished. \$20. (989)732-3224.(21)

PATIO TABLE umbrella. \$25. (989)614-1011.(17)

PING-PONG TABLE full-size, good condition, \$40 or best offer. (231)348-7639.

PULPIT BEAUTIFUL custom-made, light oak finish with matching table. \$100. Free to a ministry. (231)330-3622.

RADIO. AM/FM stereo, 3 CD player, 2 speakers, tape records. Great for college student. \$20. (989)732-5854.(21)

RECLINER BIG or tall man's. \$50. Call (231)347-3429 after 4 p.m.

REFRIGERATOR KENMORE compact, dorm size, one year old. \$45. (231)548-5559

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1990 INTERNATIONAL 7.3 liter diesel Medtec ambulance with pass through compartment. Good running condition. 89,700 miles \$2,500. Contact Dave at Tri-Township EMS. (989)464-7190.(14)

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1991 FORD E-350 ambulance with pass through compartment. Good running condition and brand new transmission. 96,400 miles. \$2,500. Contact Dave at Tri-Township EMS. (989)464-7190.(14)

2004 FORD Freestar (mini van), 7 passenger, 73,000 miles, runs perfect, full power. \$5,500. (231)330-5338.

2008 VOLVO 460. 2.4i Sedan, 4 door, 5 speed manual, front-wheel drive, traction control, climate package, only 32,800 miles, single owner, factory warranty 4 years or 40,000 miles, great condition. Asking \$14,000. Reasonable offer considered! Safe and dependable transportation. Gotta See For Yourself!!! (231)800-XXXX.

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1997 SPORT Trac Ford Explorer 4x4. Sunroof. 6 disc CD player. 4.0 liter overhead cam V-6 engine. 90,000 miles. Good condition. \$4,500/best. (989)786-7121.(17)

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1350 SUPERSAVERS
SNOWPLOW 7.5 ft., just plow and frame no pump, \$100. 1977 Ski Doo Olympic 340, does not run. \$100. (231)330-2703.

SNOWPLOW ATTACHMENT for Polaris fourwheeler, \$100. (989)390-1210.

SOFA two piece, light blue, \$50. Cast iron double bowl and double drain board, \$50. (231)288-0106.

STAMPIN' UP backgrounds safari and geometric. Border punches waves and Greek key. \$8/each. (989)732-9811 (21)

TIRES (2) Snow 215/60/R16 Cooper Weathermaster, fits VW Bug, used 3 winters, \$40/pair. (231)526-1144.

TOOLBOX DIAMOND plate locking truck toolbox, fits \$10 size truck, \$100. Plastic tool storage box for a full size truck, locking, \$75. (231)582-8287.

TORO 824 power shift snow thrower. Runs but needs work. \$100. (989)705-1900 ask for Chris (17)

WHISKEY and dryer, electric, fair condition, \$50. (231)529-6362.

WHIRLPOOL CERAMIC top electric range. Good condition, \$75. (989)732-5949 (21)

WHITE REFRIGERATOR, Works. \$50. 100" meter box. New. \$100. Brush guard, Chrome 2003-2006 Chevrolet, \$100. Sony Xplode subwoofer, \$100. (989)731-6360 (17)

WOOD DOOR screen/storm, 6'8" x 30", good shape, \$10. (248)909-2626

WOOD STOVE small with 12 plus feet of Class A chimney pipe, \$100. (231)535-2035.

1440 WANTED TO BUY
WANTED PUNCH card knitting machine, reasonably priced, good working condition. (231)348-5280.

WANTED: (4) Tires, P235/70 R15 B245C6844, good condition, reasonably priced. Call (231)547-4567.

WANTED: MEDIUM size crock for canning, reasonably priced. Also, 2 drawer file cabinet, reasonably priced. (231)547-6429.

1570 LOTS & ACREAGE
BARGAIN! Near beach, boat ramp. Peek of the LAKE. Water, sewer, nice homes. East Jordan area. Hugleward Sts., \$19,900. (2) lots, \$29,900. (231)933-1546.

1600 HOUSES FOR SALE
BUYING A home? Grant/loan available for down payment and rehab. Northern Homes CDC, (231)582-6244. EHO.

1650 CONDOS/HOUSES FOR SALE/RENT
LAKE CHARLEVOIX lakeside studio condo. Furnished, no pets, short-term or month-to-month. \$425. (248)642-3414.

1680 BUSINESS PROPERTY FOR RENT
CHARLEVOIX DOWNTOWN small, street level retail space at the Royal Cottage. Lease Required. Available April 2010. (231)881-5124 or (231)237-9307.

DOWNTOWN CHARLEVOIX
 Convenient, spacious **Masson Street** location, 1,000 +/- sq. ft., office/retail space for lease. Very Reasonable **leases/terms**. For more information please call (231)439-9310.

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 Commercial spaces starting at 1,300 sq. ft. \$750 plus utilities. 12705 US-31 North, Bob Kern, Real Estate One (231)547-5100.

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CHARLEVOIX
 Located downtown by the bridge. Large, 1 bedroom, 2 bath with hot tub and pool. Available weekly or monthly. Call (231)881-5124 or (231)237-9307.

CHARLEVOIX LARGE exquisite, 1 bedroom apartment, AC, fireplace, washer/dryer, private parking, \$750 includes all utilities. Must have references and credit check. No pets or smokers. (231)881-5124 or (231)237-9307.

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ONE BEDROOM apartments available, most utilities included. One year lease, security deposit required. Smoking and some pets allowed. Indoor pool, on-site laundry, first month rent free then \$550 per month. Close to downtown Charlevoix. Call (231)675-2347 today!

1700 HOUSES FOR RENT
GREAT DEAL
 3 bedroom, 1 bath home, large rooms, nice back yard, close to downtown East Jordan. Greatly reduced, \$735 per month. Call Roberto Rupp at (231)633-5208.

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CHARLEVOIX/PETOSKEY area. Heated, new, 24/7 access, bathrooms, work area, lighting. Large boat/RV capability. Below market. (231)582-9709 or (248)760-2270.

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 Self-storage units, 50 to 1,000 sq. ft., drive-in units, heated areas. Call Bob Kern, Real Estate One, (231)547-5100.

STORAGE UNITS Charlevoix Mini Storage, (231)547-5838. Closed Thursdays.

1800 FARM EQUIPMENT
 2004 JOHN Deere tractor 2305 diesel. Hydrostatic transmission, 199 hours. 4 wheel drive. 5' bucket. 48" rear finish mower deck. 5' work rack. Excellent condition. \$19,800/best. (989)370-5036 (21)

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2001 HONDA Magna 750 cc, custom paint, great condition. Rare bike, only around 3,000 miles. \$3,000 firm. (231)237-9543

2001 HONDA Recon 250 four wheeler. Excellent condition. Low miles. \$1,800. (989)350-4940 or (989)732-8754 (17)

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

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The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trot & Trot, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1312.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF GRAND TRAVERSE NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 09-30,630 DE

Estate of James Henry Mausolf, Dec. (date of birth: 4/13/1925)

TO ALL CREDITORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Father James Henry Mausolf, who lived at 1421 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan died 8/6/2009. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary Jane Krumholz, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at County Bldg., 301 State St., Suite 9, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: 10/14/2009. Robert L. Hoffman (P15046) 101 Belvedere Avenue Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231)547-9941. James P. Hayden 10371 Beechwood Lane Charlevoix, MI 49720 (231)547-9505 (L-10-21)

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NOTICE is hereby provided to Karin Bush and Leon J. Bush, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 136 W Court St, Boyne City, MI 49712-9379.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 09-011418-DE

Estate of Guy Massengale, Deceased

Date of birth: November 27, 1962

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Guy Massengale, Deceased, who lived at 228 Main St., East Jordan, Michigan died August 4, 2009. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary Jane Krumholz, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at County Bldg., 301 State St., Suite 9, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: October 13, 2009. Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., Charles A. Janssen (P30453) 313 S. Washington Square Lansing, MI 48933 (517)371-8262. Mary Jane Krumholz 228 Main Street P.O. Box 333 East Jordan, MI 49727 (231)536-9906 (L-10-21)

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UNIT 9, THE WILLOWS (PROPOSED)

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Date: October 8, 2009

BOODMAN LLP Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430) Attorneys for Marfax Corporation 229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405 Charlevoix, Michigan 49721 (231)627-8000 (L-10/14/10/21/10/28/11/04/11/11/11/18, 11/25)

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC SEWERS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP, TO REGULATE SUCH PUBLIC SEWER CONNECTIONS, TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN CONDUCT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF CHARGES AND FEES IN CONNECTION WITH SEWAGE DISPOSAL SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, to promote responsible growth within the Township and protect the environmental, the Township has authorized the expansion of the sewer system of the City of Charlevoix (the City) into the Township to serve discretion of the Township Board;

WHEREAS, further expansion of the City's sewer system may be authorized in the future by the Township subject to the sole discretion of the Township Board;

WHEREAS, to provide for the effective operation of the City's sewer system the Township previously agreed to enact a sewer ordinance essentially similar to the City's sewer ordinance and to amend the Township sewer ordinance as needed;

WHEREAS, this ordinance, which shall be known as the Charlevoix Township Sewer Ordinance, involves regulating private and public sewers, sewer connections, industrial waste pretreatment facilities and discharge of industrial waste into the publicly operated treatment works (POTW) within the Township and providing for pollutant limitations, data collection, monitoring and sampling, and providing for penalties for the violation thereof; and

WHEREAS, the objectives of this Ordinance are:

(1) to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater system which will interfere with the normal operation of the system or contaminate the resulting municipal sludge;

(2) to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater system which do not receive adequate treatment in the POTW, and which will pass through the system into receiving waters or the atmosphere or otherwise be incompatible with the system;

(3) to improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewater and sludge from the system;

(4) to provide for equitable distribution of the cost of municipal wastewater system;

(5) to protect POTW personnel who may be affected by wastewater and sludge in the course of their employment;

(6) to provide for the investigation of instances of pass through or interference and for appropriate enforcement actions; and

(7) to have a numbering system that is consistent with the City of Charlevoix's Sewer Ordinance since the City will own and operate the sewer system within this Township and it is the desire of the Township and City to have their sewer ordinances reasonably consistent and to incorporate such additional or alternate provisions as the Township and City deem appropriate.

The complete and detailed Sewer Use and Rate Ordinance is available for perusal at the Charlevoix Township Hall at 12491 Waller Road. (L-10-21)

CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP SEWER USE AND RATE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 94 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933, AS AMENDED, AND PURSUANT TO THE GENERAL POLICE POWERS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO PROVIDE FOR CONNE-

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

ONGOING EVENTS: HOSPICE HOLIDAY CARDS

Get your holiday cards while helping Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

Cost is \$20 for 20 cards. They can be viewed at www.hospice-nw.org and purchased online or at the following stores:

Local Flavor and Boyne Area Collective Gallery in Boyne City. The Clothing Company in Charlevoix.

Busy Bridge Gifts and Antiques in East Jordan.

Sturgeon River Pottery and Wild Bird Supply in Petoskey.

Antique Market in Bellaire; and Adams Madams in Central Lake.

Proceeds from the sale of these cards will help further the work of Hospice of Northwest Michigan, working in partnership with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, to provide care, treatment, comfort and compassion for Hospice Patients in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Osego counties.

NO BRUSH PICKUP

Due to the cost of insurance, the amount of extra work for the employees and the hazard it presents it has been decided by the Charlevoix Township Board to discontinue this service. Residents may call one of the local tree services for chipping or get a burn permit to burn brush.

ADULT BAND

Pine Lake Winds Band will be playing from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday nights at the Charlevoix Middle School Band Room.

Everyone is welcome. For further information contact EV Wujak at 547-6376.

Charlevoix Assembly of God

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

At 10:30 a.m. there is a Sunday service with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. A nursery is provided. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights is "Worship and Intercession" with live music.

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights is Family Night with adult study, a youth group, Calvary Kids and a nursery.

The Food Pantry and Tabitha's Closet clothing ministry is open by appointment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Call 547-6430 for more information.

FREE LUNCH

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

547-2699 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Lord of the Gourd - Pumpkin Sculpting, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 22. Join Pat Harrison as he creates carved pumpkin sculptures all day long.

• Investing for the Clueless, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 22: If you consider yourself clueless when it comes to investing, this seminar is for you.

• Isadore's Secret: Sin, Murder and Confession in a Northern Michigan Town, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 27

• Ask the Tech Guy, 10 a.m. to noon, Nov. 5: Bring your laptop and ask questions of the library's tech guy Roger Gowell.

• Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 9: Learn to keep you and your computer safe online.

• BookTalkers: Real Life and Lies by Kristina Ruggie, 6 p.m., Nov. 9: book discussion.

• Shopping Online: How to find the deals, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11: Get your holiday shopping started using online tools and websites.

• Titanic: The Perfect Disaster, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 12: Join speaker David Kaplan, Titanic Historian and Retired Teacher, to learn about the events that led up to building of the ship and how the fateful night unfolded.

• Gone from My Sight, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Nov. 17: The biggest fear of watching someone die is fear of the unknown; not

knowing what dying will be like or when death will actually occur. Barbara Kames, author and award winning Hospice Nurse, explains in a simple, gentle yet direct manner the process of dying from disease.

• Where the Wild Things Are Party, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 21: Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading of Where the Wild Things Are and come play games, make crafts and have a wild time.

• Handling the Holidays, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 23: Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holiday season. Bereavement counselors will address your grief to help make your holidays and special occasions brighter.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

COMMON THREADS
A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St. "Common Threads," is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer through Oct. 31.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

OCT. 31 DEADLINE

CCA PHOTO EXHIBIT
Entries for the Charlevoix Circle of Arts photography exhibit cost \$20 for the first three photos submitted. Each subsequent entry costs \$10 with a five-entry total.

Students pay \$5 per photo. Traditional 35 mm medium format,

digital and alternative — process photographic works are all invited. Must be framed and ready to hang.

If the image has been altered or enhanced, a statement of technique would be appreciated to include for educational purposes for the viewer.

The jury will select the images for the Exhibit as well as the top three of show.

The opening reception will be on Friday, November 6. For more information, call Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com or go to www.charlevoixcircle.org.

The circle is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Call 547-3554 for more information on the circle and its programs.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

THE NIGHTMARE AT CHALLENGE MOUNTAIN
House of horrors is open from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in October.

Nightmare is located at 2205 Springbrook Road in Boyne Falls. Go to www.challengemtn.org or call (231) 582-1186 for more information.

All proceeds go directly to support Challenge Mountain programs.

NOW THROUGH NOV. 11

Computer classes
Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top

organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Register by calling 237-7340. Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

OCT. 21 AND NOV. 9

Charlevoix Public Library Booktalkers is a group of readers who love to read different books each month and then gather to discuss them.

The Booktalkers meet twice per quarter at 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Conference Room of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St.

New members are welcome. **NOW THROUGH OCT. 23**

FREE RADON TEST KIT
Free radon test kits are available during National Radon Awareness Week, Oct. 19 through 23, at Health Department offices in Bellevue, Charlevoix, Petoskey/Harbor Springs and Gaylord.

When you pick up your free radon test kit, bring your property tax identification number so results can be tracked.

After National Radon Awareness Week, radon test kits are available at health department offices for \$15, which includes the analysis and report.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 24

TEEN LOUNGE

The Teen Lounge at the Charlevoix Public Library is designed for teens in grades nine through 12.

It is full of books, music, games, magazines, and of course computers for high school aged teens.

The Information Services Desk has trained staff to help teens find answers to homework questions, navigate the new databases and find what you need in our catalog.

The Teen Lounge is also filled with Sci-Fi, Fantasy, Virtual Reality & Horror books, just in time for Read Beyond Reality: Teen Read Week, 21, 22, 23 and 24.

The Charlevoix Public Library is also launching the Teen Lounge on Facebook. Become a fan and search for the Charlevoix Public Library at facebook.com.

Teens can upload a video of their favorite book or books and have a chance to receive a copy of Breaking Dawn. If teens do not have access to a video recorder, they can check out the new Teen Lounge flip video for one hour. Entries are due Saturday, Oct. 24. For more details e-mail the teen librarian laura@charlevoixlibrary.org.

OCT. 21

TAI CHI
Fall Tai Chi classes at the Boyne District Library.

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs community room.

The continuing/intermediate student class will meet at 10 a.m. Classes will meet Oct. 21, 28, and Nov. 4, 11 and 18.

Each class begins promptly on the hour and runs about 90 minutes. The cost for seniors is \$10 for five weeks and \$34 for those under 60 years of age.

OCT. 24
Jordan River friends/Great Lakes Compact

At 2 p.m. on Oct. 25 at the Jordan Watershed Center at 101

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FOUR LOVES

In conjunction with the annual month-long Northern Michigan C.S. Lewis Festival, the Charlevoix Public Library is hosting a discussion of the British scholar and author's book *The Four Loves*, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 21 at the library.

Lewis summarizes four kinds of human love: affection, friendship, erotic love and the love of God through the book's wise, gentle and candid reflections.

The virtues and dangers of love depicted draw on sources from Jane Austen to St. Augustine.

The Charlevoix Public Library is located at 220 W Clinton St.

For a study guide to the book, go to: <http://www.charlevoixlibrary.org/readcon/documents/FourLoves.pdf>.

OCT. 24, 25
Charlevoix High School Performing Arts will be presenting *Sleepy Hollow*. At 7 p.m. on Oct. 24 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 25 at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium. Cost is \$5 for students and \$7 for adults.

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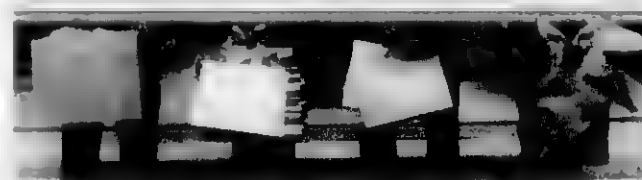
STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix



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Wild wild what?

Friske's held its first Wild West Days this past weekend and will continue every Saturday in October. Pictured is the 'Wild West Show' cast: Richard Friske Jr., John Morgan, Seth Green, Haden Sundelius and Joanna Green.



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EVENTS

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Union St. in East Jordan, there will be an annual meeting of the friends as well as discussion of the Great Lakes Compact. For information go to www.friendsofthejordan.org or call 231-547-4420.

BLOOD DRIVE

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Oct. 27 at Boyne City High School, 1035 Boyne Ave.
• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Oct. 29 at Charlevoix High School, 5200 Marion Center Road.
• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Nov. 16 at East Jordan High School, 204 North Maple St.
• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19 at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

OCT. 29, NOV. 6
VOLUNTEER CONNECTIONS

Does your non-profit agency need more volunteers? Non profit

agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet counties are invited to attend an orientation to the online soft ware at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29 or 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6.

Interested agencies should contact the United Way office at (231) 487-1006 or e-mail Sarah Cleary, AmeriCorps VISTA at sarah@charemunitedway.org. Sign up soon, registration is required and space is limited.

OCT. 31
HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Charlevoix Yacht Club will host a Halloween party from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Halloween at 209 Ferry Ave. in Charlevoix.

This adult party is themed Woodstock. The \$5 entry fee includes prizes, food and entertainment. There is a cash bar. Public is welcome.

Call 547-4872 for more information.

CASH FOR CANDY
NOV. 1

Stop by Beacon Dental Center

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NOV. 7
MOM TO MOM SALE

Sign up now to be a vendor at Charlevoix's 10th Annual "Mom to Mom & Everything Else Sale" from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, Nov. 7 at the Charlevoix Middle School, May Street entrance.

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Locals: Business is good

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Despite a cold, rainy summer and higher than average unemployment, Charlevoix business growth apparently remains rela-

tively unhampered.

Since January 2009, at least 12 new businesses have located in Charlevoix, with another half-dozen expansions in every sector from manufacturing to food service.

"Overall, the summer months have proven to be successful for the area lodging establishments. Despite an initial slow start due to numerous factors: Unseasonable weather, economic conditions, etc., the accommodations

fared well," said Charlevoix Convention and Visitor Bureau executive director Lauren Brumley. "In fact, September collections were up significantly in comparison to 2008. It speaks volumes about our community

in that Charlevoix the beautiful is the place to be." If Charlevoix's 13.9 percent unemployment rate seems high, that's because it was a mere 8.5 percent nearly a year ago. However, the numbers are a marked

improvement from last winter. "The county was more in the 14 to 17 percent range," said economic analyst Bruce Weaver of the Michigan Department of

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City revamps electrical policy

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Straebel

Hoping never to repeat circumstances which led to a 93-year-old man freezing to death last January in his Bay City home, city council

has revamped its electrical shutoff policy.

Major elements of the policy include prohibition of the use of electric service limiters, which act as low-level fuses: blowing and shutting off power if more than a minor amount is being drawn.

refunding any late fees, fines or payments related to a shutoff if it is found

there was failure to provide notice of said shutoff; and the city reserves the right to shut off power if there is an emergency requiring it.

"There has not been a preponderance of shutoffs for our utility customers," said Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel.

"This is largely a proactive measure and is consistent with what city staff has been doing in the past working with senior citizens and lower-income families to make sure we do not shut off their utilities."

He added, "We will continue working with them to make sure payments are made on a timely basis and that they do not have utilities shut off in the dead of winter."

While there are no formal programs within the city to help senior citizens and low-income families.

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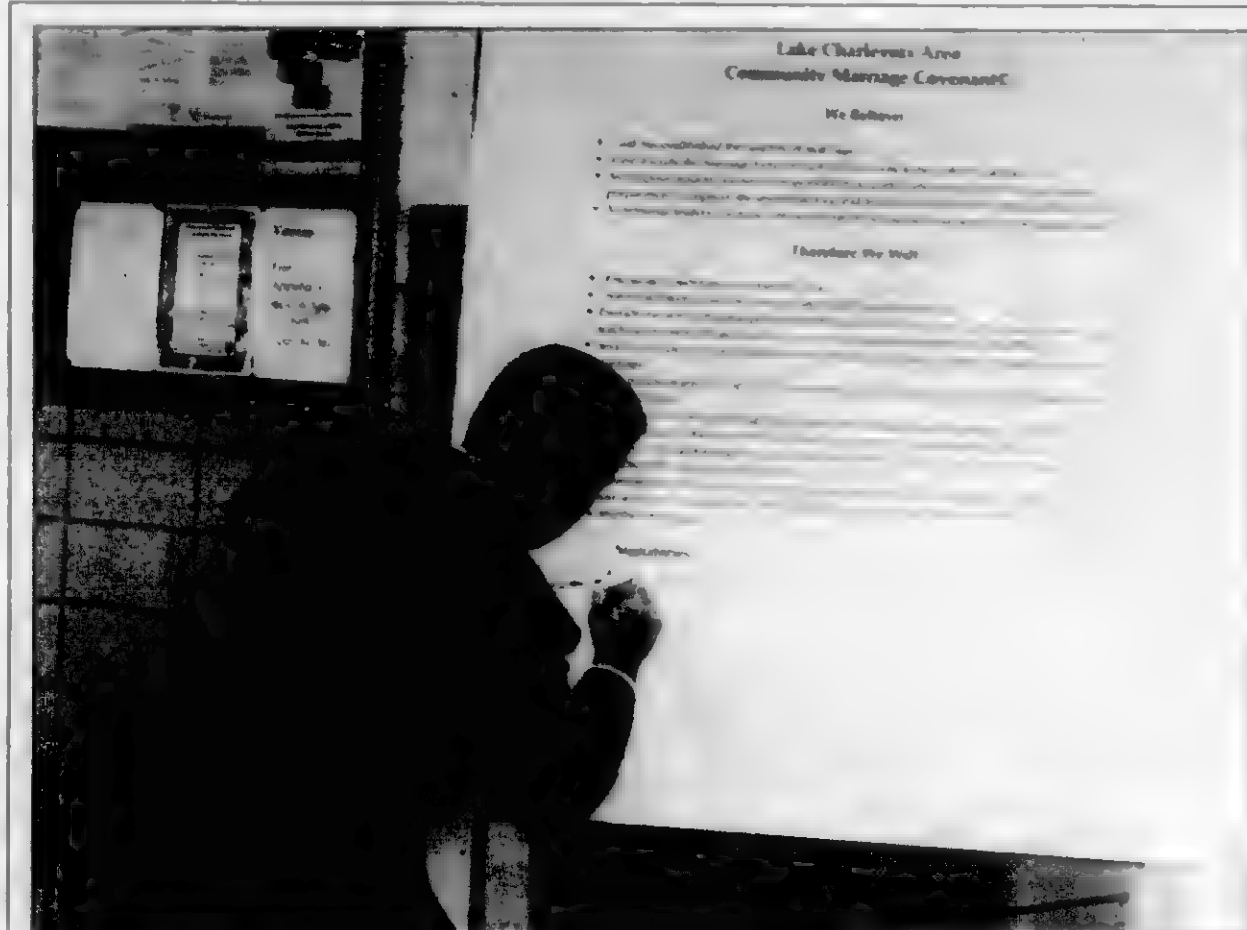


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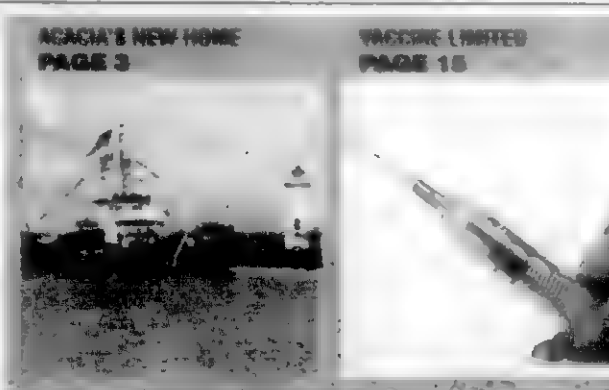
Marriage Savers

Pastor Dan Gilmore of Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene was the first to sign the Lake Charlevoix Area Community Marriage Covenant during a ceremony on Friday, Oct. 23 at the Charlevoix County Building. Community and church leaders plan to work together through classes, counseling and mentoring to help lower Charlevoix's higher than national average rate of divorce.

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The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Andrew Patrick Towsley, 18, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 hours of community service; \$250 in fines and costs.

Bradley Michael Smith, 34, Leroy. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for 28 days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; serve 30 days of community service; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,430 in fines and costs.

Buck Andrew McBride, 40, Williamsburg. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; attend Impact weekend; \$380 in fines and costs.

Valerie Ann Shaler, 27, Boyne City. No operator license on person. Fines and costs totaling \$200.

Nolan Lee Lent, 24, Charlevoix. Operating while intoxicated, second offense. Credit for one day in jail; serve 30 days of community service; to serve 24 months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,130 in fines and costs.

Aaron William Goodwin, 22, Boyne City. Possession of marijuana. To serve 30 days in jail; serve 15 days of community service work; to

serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$600 in fines and costs.

Robert Lee Hatfield, 34, Elmira. Driving while license suspended. Pay \$850 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Tyson Sheddric Phillips, 28, Saginaw. Domestic violence. Credit for seven days in jail; \$500 in fines and costs.

Joseph Allen Arquette, 36, Fruita, Colo. Embezzlement, more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for 45 days in jail; to serve 65 days in jail; serve 20 days of community service work; serve 24 months on probation; to write a letter of apology; \$9,276.18 in fines and costs.

Lorie Michelle Selissen, 42, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Carol Sue Lowinsberry, 27, St. Helen. Larceny, more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for 21 days in jail; \$818 in fines and costs.

Daneen Ann Anthony, 45, East Jordan. Operating while intoxicated, first offense. Credit for seven days in jail; 53 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,380.

Cody Russell Gee, 17, East Jordan. Failure to report an

accident. Pay \$300 or serve 13 days in jail.

Robert George-Alton Cook, 40, Charlevoix. Insufficient funds for check written, less than \$100. Pay \$405.07 or serve eight days in jail.

David Matthew Vasquez, 25, Boyne City. Impaired driving. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$880 in fines and costs.

Lisa A. Baker, 39, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service; serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,080 in fines and costs.

Carla Cay Forth, 44, Charlevoix. Attempted interference with electronic communications. Credit for one day in jail; serve 60 days on an electronic monitoring device; 305 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,200 in fines and costs.

CIRCUIT COURT

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Michael William Ennik Jr., 27, East Jordan. Controlled substance, delivery/manufacture of narcotic or cocaine, less than 50 grams. Sentenced to 270 days in jail; credit for 95 days in jail; to serve 180 days in jail; to serve 24 months on probation; \$828 in fines and costs.

John Frederick Bartha, 25, Petoskey. Controlled substance, delivery/manufacture marijuana. Sentenced to 30

See RECORD, page 5

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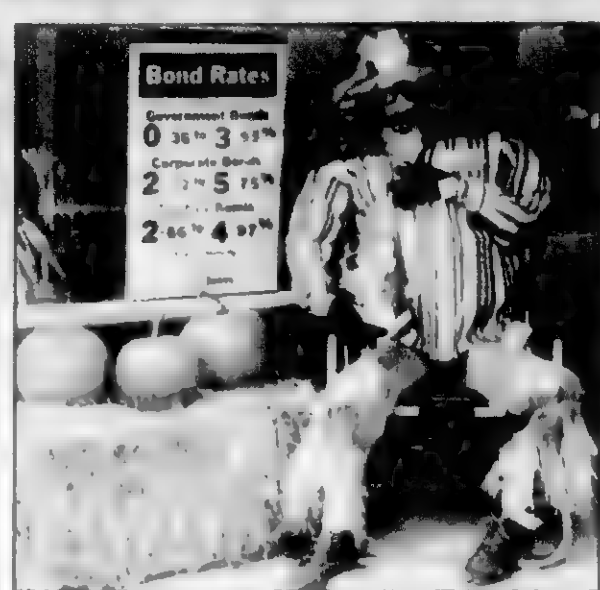
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Counting crows

Due to editor error, it was mistakenly stated that the scarecrow above was in front of the Edward Jones office in Boyne City. It was actually in front of the Edward Jones office in East Jordan. We apologize for the mistake and subsequent confusion.

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Cutter Acacia finally home

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Nearly three years after de-commissioning, U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Acacia found its new home in Manistee, approximately 180 miles south of Charlevoix.

"Now, with the help of the American Academy of Industry, the fully functional ship rests along side the famed S.S. City of Milwaukee, which was a long-time railroad car hauler.

"The Acacia is now a museum ship," said Brandon Blackwell, a United States Coast Guard public information officer for the Coast Guard's Ninth District in Cleveland, Ohio.

According to American Academy of Industry president Dan Hecker, politics prevented Acacia from being docked in his home state.

"Within the state of Illinois, we could not find one place that would allow us to open it up," Hecker said. "Most of Illinois's waterfront is in the City of Chicago, and politics precluded opening up because they don't care, and the Navy pier wanted \$27,000 a month in rent."

Hecker said the Acacia's fate came down to three choices: cut up for scrap metal, sold to a third-world country or become a museum ship.

The all-volunteer force at the academy of industry has personally funded the effort, but Hecker said he hopes the ship will eventually sustain it-

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DAN HECKER,
PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF INDUSTRY

self financially.

"The plan is to open it up for overnight programs, tours and ceremonies," he said. "It is seaworthy and the desire would be to keep it as an operational ship and sail it occasionally for different events."

Charlevoix Mayor Norman Carlson Jr. said he is glad the ship can live on in some capacity.

"I think that's great. It served Charlevoix well for many years," he said. "I wish it was something we could have been able to do, but ... I'm glad that it just didn't end up in a scrap yard somewhere."

He added, "I'm glad people will continue to learn from it."

The ship was taken over by the American Academy of Industry, a nonprofit group from Illinois which seeks to preserve "historic artifacts significant to American history."

Blackwell said the Acacia was decommissioned on June 7, 2006 for various factors including its age, functionality and usefulness.

Blackwell said, now that the ship is a floating museum, it cannot be called back to duty.

"Once a ship is decommissioned and transferred to another entity, the Coast Guard does not have any authority to

call the ship back into service," he said. "It would be like selling a vehicle and then asking for it back because you need a way to get to work."

According to the academy of industry, the Acacia as a museum ship will, "Serve as a tribute to the veterans — the most significant piece of national defense — of the Coast Guard, Navy and Merchant Marine; tell the intertwined story of Great Lakes' maritime history, heavy industry and transportation; and tell the story of the Acacia and the Coast Guard's 180s."

The cutter sailed to its final destination on Saturday Oct. 17.

So far, the academy of industry and a team of volunteers have spent \$29,150 to get the vessel ready for passage.

Launched on Sept. 1, 1944, the 180-foot Acacia got her name from a lighthouse service ship which was sunk during World War II and was equipped to handle search and rescue, buoy tending, navigational aids, ice-breaking and fire fighting and even law enforcement tasks among others.

For more information on the American Academy of Industry, call (708) 425-8443 or go to www.aai-acacia.org.



Kate Shultz, a volunteer with the American Academy of Industry, steers ship Acacia, formerly a United States Coast Guard Cutter stationed in Charlevoix, on the trip between Illinois to Manistee. Launched on Sept. 1, 1944, the 180-foot Acacia got her name from a lighthouse service ship which was sunk during World War II and was equipped to handle search and rescue, buoy tending, navigational aids, ice-breaking and fire fighting and even law enforcement tasks among others.

COURTESY PHOTO

City council business

The following actions were taken by the Charlevoix City Council during their Monday Oct. 19 meeting.

Item: Seasonal slip permit for Keweenaw Excursion

In brief: Consideration to approve the former dock space of United States Coast Guard Cutter Acacia be used by the Keweenaw Excursion, a 100-foot charter ship. Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

Item: No discrepancies were found. The city was advised to implement more advanced record keeping software and have an updated disaster preparedness plan.

Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

Item: EMS billing services contract

In brief: For the last six years, Charlevoix EMS has used AcaciaMed which charges a higher fee than Parastar. Consider using Parastar.

Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

Item: City insurance renewal

In brief: Motion to consider accepting the Michigan Municipal League's quote of \$123,838, an increase of \$59 over last year's cost, for its property and liability insurance.

Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

Item: Apply for \$50,000 energy grant

In brief: Consideration to apply for a \$50,000 energy efficiency grant to replace an outdated energy systems. The total project is estimated to cost \$68,927. The city expects to realize nearly \$13,000 annually in energy savings.

Board action: Approved unanimously, 6-0.

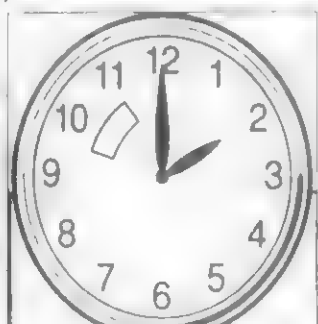
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Sixty is the new sexy



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Yikes. I turned the big 60 this week. How did time get away from me? I know I would have helped me a lot when I was 20.

I'd love to take the lessons learned throughout life and put it in a box and give it to a 20-year-old.

Unfortunately they'd be too

busy to open it and they would think most of the information irrelevant.

We each need to experience our own life's lessons to know what's really important in life.

Considering my own illnesses and events I am pleasantly surprised to still be here and able to write down any of my thoughts.

It was a joy to grow up in the '50 and '60s.

I had the honor of walking with a cheering crowd carrying a placard that said "If I were 21 I would vote for Kennedy" — inspired more by the Catholic school I attended than any political knowledge.

As a rambunctious teen I enjoyed riding a bus into downtown Detroit unafraid of getting in harms way.

I had hoola-hooping down to

a fine art.

One of my numerous youthful injuries came from youthful and fro with a large green hoop dangling around my waist.

This sounds safe until you add the fact that I was riding my bike at the time.

Did I tell you the bike was traveling at a brisk speed through an empty store parking lot and I was standing on the seat?

Ahhh ... the good old days, when you could get a greasy burger freshly flipped off the grill for .25 cents and for .15 cents more a large chocolate malt.

The meal wasn't complete without checking the latest hits in the shiny silver box sitting at the end of the Formica counter.

A quarter brought five songs and the small diner to life.

In a brief discussion about the

honor of reaching 60, my husband interjected his wisdom on the subject.

He recalled viewing the 60- and 70-something's while he himself was in his 20s, "Do they still have sex?"

They couldn't possibly.

Be honest, if you are 60 you thought the same thing.

Then I was reminded by one of my friends that 60 today is sexy, alive and vibrant.

"Just take a look at Aunt Bee" she retorted.

Aunt Bee was in her late 50s when she played the wise aunt of Mayberry's finest sheriff.

She is a far cry from what a 50- or 60-year-old looks like today.

Only once in awhile I do confess to slipping into a settled look.

Then I happen to see a return of

Mayberry R.F.D. and I am quick to take the bun out of my hair and whisk off the apron.

Frank Sinatra was 56 when he retired the first time thinking his songs were not attracting listeners.

Compare that with Mack Jagger who's still shaking and jiving at 66 and touring to sell-out crowds.

Fortunately for us, Frank Sinatra came to his senses and did return to his career and crooned us well into his 80s.

Lauren Hutton is still looking fabulous at 66 with her trademark space between her front teeth.

She is a great representation of what today's 60-year-old looks like.

We individuals in our 60s are vowing to care for our health and spend more time with family.

We'd all like to have a little more money in our pocket no matter what our age but with age there is also the comfort of knowing that if you have enough to pay your bills and are able to help give your time freely to help family, friends and others in need, money in the realm of things is not so important.

We baby boomers are going to go down kicking and screaming claiming we are younger than the dates on our birth certificates by taking care of ourselves physically, mentally and spiritually.

Sexy is not how you look physically but rather the confidence that comes with age.

Thus, this correspondent after much research is happy to report there are many 60, 70 and 80 year olds out there who are pretty darn sexy.

Halloween survival tips; well, more or less



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwilt

Banshees, werewolves, vampires and other nocturnal pests have long been the bane of decent folks everywhere. Much has been made of their stubborn reluctance to either just go away, or to abandon their anti-social inclinations and assimilate into society as productive citizens. Humans have employed coping mechanisms from denial to vigilantism for centuries, with varying results.

Personally, I slept with my head under the covers

until I was 16 years old. I anchored the blankets between my scalp and the pillow, allowing a tiny gap for my nose so that I could breathe.

And it worked. I was spared a gruesome death at the rotting, clammy and/or mummified hands of the unspeakable creatures that I presume flocked into my bedroom nightly to check for an exposed limb or head — something bigger than a nose — to grasp and wrench me from my fortress. Once grasped and wrenched, it would be game over and the visitors would win. It was only their illogical aversion to bedclothes that allowed me to survive.

As I matured, I came to realize the folly of my overly zealous precautions. I abandoned the duck-and-cover habit at the same time I started setting my hair with orange juice cans, opting for a

possible gristly encounter in deference to the quest for a perfect hairdo.

But this newfound sophistication did not negate in the slightest my fascination with the macabre. I checked out every book in the library with a supernatural plotline and plowed through anthologies of ghost stories. Thomas Tryon, Harlan Ellison and, later, Stephen King, all knew what scared me. Coupled with low-budget movies from Hammer Films and William Castle, it was quite an education.

Within this genre-infused reality, I considered it unlikely, (even growing up in Flint, Michigan), that actual psychopaths would menace me.

What, after all, were the odds? No, it was never a concern of mine that an escaped lunatic would cross my path. Supernatural monsters, on the other

hand, seemed much more viable.

While I am not alone in my alert defense against predatory phenomenon, there may be other mortals that have not had the advantage of my early experience and training.

With Halloween providing an insidious veil for ghoulish infiltration, it becomes more likely that a diabolical nuisance could cause problems. Precautions may be taken to insure that, if confronted by a genuine, heart-stopping visage, survival is at least plausible.

It is with this in mind that I offer the following tips.

1. Garlic: For some reason, this culinary staple is repugnant to all manner of ghouls, especially vampires. May be draped in a wreath around the neck and later recycled into the stew.

2. Crosses and holy water: Crosses are easier to come by, but holy water has the advantage of a spray application option. Expect the target to be consumed with writhing, sizzling and smoking of a duration sufficient for a getaway.

3. Weaponry: If push comes to shove, it might be advisable to be armed with something more formidable than vegetation or jewelry. Traditional ammunition will only serve to amuse a supernatural adversary, and weapons of defense should be made of silver. If a bullet mold is unavailable, something as simple as a good piece of cutlery tied to a broom handle could be employed to poke a wrath into a corner until help arrives.

4. Run: This is the simplest and often the most effective way to deal with many monsters. Zombies,

mummies and amphibious creatures removed from their indigenous lagoons are surprisingly slow on their feet. Anyone between the ages of three and 95 who can't outpace this breed deserve their fate.

One last thing to remember is that you must not rely on your vehicle. It may be a 2010 Ferrari with less than 100 miles on it, but it will stutter like chalk skipping on a blackboard when the key is turned in the ignition and it will not start. Don't even bother.

Of course, you may choose to throw caution to the wind and indiscriminately stuff candy into those grasping hands at your doorstep. You may exclaim with delight over their authentic makeup and costumes and even invite them in for a cup of cider.

Just don't say I didn't warn you.

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LETTERS to the editor

PHRAG'S FIGHTERS
Editor:

I would like to thank the following people for their help with our successful Fisherman's Island Phragmites project: Pam Grassmick from Beaver Island for her leadership and guidance to combat this invasive species along our shoreline; Frank Hamilton, Norwood Township Supervisor for attending numerous meetings over the past year and helping to pass the phragmites ordinance for Norwood Township; Sue Rose from Fisherman's Island and Young State Park, for her help in obtaining the DEQ and DNR permits for spraying and cutting; Courtney Schmidt from St. Marys Cement Plant who worked with us to include the entire 11 miles of shoreline; Carolyn Navarre, President of the Clipperview Association, Jim DePriest, repre-

senting the Norwood Lakeshore property owners and David Leusink, Norwood Treasurer, who assisted with collecting donations and permission slips and finally, the numerous volunteers for their time and generous donations. It was truly a community effort.

Carol Apol
Norwood Phragmites Administrator

EAST PARK ETERNAL
Editor:

During our recent trip to Charlevoix, we heard the exciting news that East Park had been declared one of the top 10 great public spaces in the country by The American Planning Association. Our first glimpse of the transformation was in late July, after having been away since 2002.

What a dramatic change from the original park that had been the city's summer

centerpiece for nearly a century.

The planning and execution of such a project was obviously painstaking and thorough, and it reflects the needs and desires of young and old, resident and visitor.

I remember many happy days in the park, since 1943, running and rolling down the hills, playing shuffleboard, admiring the boats, counting the trout and the wonderful music on summer evenings.

All of that fun can continue, and with additional amenities and opportunities as well.

Congratulations and a job well done by all, from conception through planning, contractor selection and execution.

It will be good for all least another century.

Geoffrey and Lynne Coleman

Denton, Nebraska and Charlevoix

BRING ON THE BIG BOXES
Editor:

A lot of kids walk downtown in the summer but they have barely anything to buy. That's why I feel that there should be more stores in town.

One reason is that we have to go somewhere else to get stuff like Aeropostale and American Eagle.

There are many stores in other places, like in Petoskey. Also, most people go to the Traverse City mall, so they get more money.

Second, it would bring in more business.

Tourists, also known as fudgies, would stay and buy more clothes and toys here. Next, more people would come for more than just the views. Therefore, we would

have more money.

My last reason is that we get bored, and it's probably not just the kids that feel like this. There's nothing to do or buy. Instead of just walking downtown and sitting there, looking bored

and getting up to no good, people would buy things.

In brief, it would help to have more stores in the downtown area.

Allie Hodge
Sixth-grade student, Charlevoix Middle School

LETTERS POLICY

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days in jail; credit for one day in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; \$198 in fines and costs.

Gregg Michael Evans, 50, Beaver Island. Operating while under the influence, third offense. Sentenced to a minimum of 18 months in prison; credit for one day in jail; \$250 in fines and costs.

Adam Elliot Fletcher, 27, Johannesburg. Aggravated assault; failure to stop after a collision. Sentenced to 60 days in jail; credit for two

days in jail; to serve two days in jail; \$1,502.85 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES
The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Seeger Creations, 511 West Upright, Charlevoix, by Rachel and Linda Seeger

Task Property Management, 4049 Spring Water Beach, Boyne City, by Todd March

Wild Rose Express LLC, 01253 Tomkins Road, Boyne City, by Deborah R. VanHorn

North West Carpet Cleaning, 9039 Lord Road, East

Jordan, by Frank Filardo

MARRIAGES
The following people were recently granted marriage licenses by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Lee Erron Erickson, 43, and Debra Sue Slocum, 51, both of Charlevoix

Christopher Alfred Hayden, 26, and Jillian Laurel Wolgast, 21, both of East Jordan

Gregory Leigh Brunel, 18,

and Samantha June Follette, 18, both of Boyne Falls

Vincent Alan Sims, 30, and Tara Emily Nigg, 28, both of Indianapolis, Ind.

Shelby Wayne Toepke, 30, and Ann Marie Nussbaum, 28, both of Charlevoix

John Charles Boyer, 30 and Melissa Lynn Bobier, 29, both of East Jordan

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Sisters of the strings

The Crooked Tree Arts Center and the Dorothy Gerber Programs for Children and Music is starting 2009-2010 Season of the Strings Program in local Schools. The purpose of the string program is to give public and private school children the opportunity to experience the excitement of learning how to play stringed instruments. Pictured are students from Boyne Falls Public School.



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Happy hunter

Brendan Gregory, 12 years old of Charlevoix got his first deer during the 2009 Youth Hunt with a 200-yard shot on this doe on Sept. 27. Send your youth hunt photos to news@charlevoixcourier.com.



Muscle bike

No chain is needed to prevent someone from stealing this old bike. Covered with zebra muscles, this bike was fished out of Round Lake and apparently left in a downtown parking lot.

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did not get either drug developing diabetic retinopathy. Only 25% of those who took enalapril during this time experienced the condition. Those who took losartan fared even better, with only 21% experiencing retinopathy. Researchers associated with the study say that additional studies will hopefully validate these findings. Enalapril (Vasotec) and losartan (Cozaar) belong to slightly different families of high blood pressure drugs that both affect renin-angiotensin, the body system that regulates kidney function and blood pressure.

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Cleaning Round Lake

Charlevoix Volunteer firefighters and rescue dive team performed a round lake clean up on Oct. 4 for three hours pulling debris from the lakebed.



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EJ concert

The Northern Michigan Brass Band will present a concert entitled Partita for Brass Band at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1, at East Jordan High School. Now in its eleventh year of operation, this 26 piece, British-style ensemble will perform a program of brass band music by Edward Gregson, Alex Lithgow, Richard Strauss, John Philip Sousa, Riccardo Drigo, Dmitri Shostakovich, Malcolm Arnold, Karl King and Glenn Miller. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available online at TreTickets.com and at the door.

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Andrew Thomas Carey: Sept. 10, 1946 - Oct. 19, 2009

Andrew Thomas Carey 63, of Crystal Lake formerly of Charlevoix, Mich., passed away at home surrounded by his loving family after a courageous battle of stomach cancer on Oct. 19, 2009.

Andy was born Sept. 10, 1946 to Thomas and Esther Carey in Charlevoix, Mich.

He graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1964 and soon went into business as the proprietor of Andy's Tire World.

In 1979 he married Rebekah Albrecht, they moved to Escondido, Calif. before

returning to the Midwest where he developed his skills as a carpenter and established Andy Carey Remodeling in the Chicago area in 1986.

He is survived by his devoted children; son Jesse (Colleen) of Indianapolis, daughter Rachel (Jason) Borcard of Milwaukee, Lynn (Mark) Brandli of Atlanta and the light of his life this past year; his granddaughter Mya Anne Borchard, brothers; Denny (Margaret) Carey of Belleville, KS; Brad (Cathy) Carey of Winnipeg,

Manitoba; Ross (Mary Beth) Carey of Farmington Hills, MI; Sisters Chris (Dennis) Carter of Cincinnati; Jean (John) Remillet of Grosse Pointe, MI and Ellie Carey of Traverse City, Mich.

Andy will be remembered as a devoted son and brother, a faithful father, grandfather and friend.

He loved the great outdoors, fast motorcycles and racecars, and was a gifted wood worker.

A Memorial Service to celebrate his life was held at 9:30 a.m. until the time

of service at 11:00 a.m. on Friday Oct. 23, 2009 at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Elgin 39W830 Highland Ave., Elgin, Ill. 60121.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to Hospice of Northeastern Illinois 410 South Hager Ave., Barrington, IL 60010 or Peggy Carey-Northway Scholarship Fund at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Funeral Arrangements entrusted by Northern Illinois Funeral Services, Inc (847) 833-2928.

Evelyn L. Seger: Oct. 7, 1915 - Oct. 25, 2009

Evelyn L. Seger, 94, of Charlevoix, passed away Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009, at Brittany Manor in Midland.

Funeral will be 2 p.m., Wednesday Oct. 28, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix where friends may meet with Evelyn's family from noon until the time of the service.

Burial will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Evelyn was born Oct. 7,

1915, in Lansing to Oren and Claudia (Prine) Morgan.

She graduated from Eastern High School in Lansing in 1931, and had attended her 70th class reunion in 2001.

On Feb. 27, 1937, she married Albert T. Seger in Lansing.

They made their home in Midland before retiring to Charlevoix in 1964, and Albert preceded her in death

in 1988.

Evelyn enjoyed playing bingo, and was known for baking pies.

She was a member of the Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix.

Evelyn is survived by her sons, Albert T. (Joanne) Seger of Zephyrhills, Fla., Lyle B. (Marie) Seger of Midland, Arthur Seger of Tenn.;

daughter, Annabelle Brady of Dewitt; foster

daughter, Patricia Lupeke of Munger; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; brother William Morgan of Lansing.

Her brothers, Oren and Robert and sisters, Margaret, Leona, and Catherine also preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to Brittany Manor, 3615 East Ashman, Midland, MI 48642.

New leadership at Assembly of God

Mike and Chris Way have begun their tenure as Lead Pastor at the Charlevoix Assembly of God church.

Mike grew up in the Charlevoix area and Chris with her family were summer residents in the Charlevoix area.

Mike earned his Electrical Engineering Degree from Michigan Technological University and worked in the Automotive Industry in southern Michigan for 22 years before moving back to Charlevoix to start the e-log company, Pine Rive Inc.

Mike was an elder and became an un-official associate pastor during the more than 18 years in Brighton, teaching many classes and assisting with Sunday morning and mid-week services.

He holds credentials through the Evangelical Association of Churches and Ministries and is in the process of transferring credentials to the Assemblies of God.

Chris is a partner in the Cottage Drawer Consignment Shop in Petoskey and active in school events, coaching eighth-grade volleyball at Charlevoix Middle School.

They are in their 28th year of marriage and have four children.

With their move to Charlevoix and the recent vacancy of a lead pastor at the Charlevoix Assembly of God, Mike felt God's call that this is the time for him to move into a lead pastor role.

Mike's philosophy in ministry is very simple: to be the best and most effective Christian one can be through understanding that God has a plan for all of us and it isn't limited to the 80 years we

walk this earth.

His mission and goal as the lead pastor is to teach and encourage others to see that a Christ-centered life is essential for a healthy and productive life on earth and offers the promise of an exciting and fulfilling eternal life thereafter.

Ginger Stevens has been appointed as associate pastor at Charlevoix Assembly of God church.

Greg is Ginger's husband of 30 years. Both Greg and Ginger have lived most or all of

their lives in Charlevoix.

They have one daughter, Vicki LaRae, who is currently a first year student at the Bethel School of Supernatural Ministry in Redding, Calif.

Ginger has been a student of the Bible all of her adult life and has recently been credentialed as a Licensed Pastor with the Assemblies of God after spending four years in ministerial studies.

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Craft fair culminates from 30 years of arts

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
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"There is so much talent in this area and we want to have a venue to show that talent in the best possible light."

ANNETTE HOSLER,
BY OUR HANDS, FROM OUR HEARTS ORGANIZER

Those looking to get a jump start on their holiday shopping will be able to do so at an upcoming craft show that features work from a number of area craft makers and artists.

The show, By Our Hands From Our Hearts, will be held at the Charlevoix Public Library on Nov. 7.

The show is being organized by a group of friends that hope to blend their work and showcase their talents.

They hope the show will become an annual event.

"We really hope to attract a variety of people," said Annette Hosler, one of the organizers.

"We all have a wide range of talents and hope the show really displays that."

"There is so much talent in this area and we want to have a venue to show that talent in the best possible light," added Sue Miller, another organizer.

The group, which consists of seven members, began more than 20 years ago.

Some of the members were part of the early Apple Festival craft show that was originally held in the Market Mall.

Over the last several years, they've continued to develop their crafts and talents.

"We got the idea for the show from a group of ladies in Traverse City that got to-

gether for years and held a similar show," said Hosler.

The seven originating members will be joined by additional vendors to offer something for everyone.

"We're all friends as well as craftsmen that enjoy doing our crafts and getting together," said Miller.

"We feel our items are really good quality and think that it will be a good addition to the community events."

"It's a real collaborative effort," said Hosler.

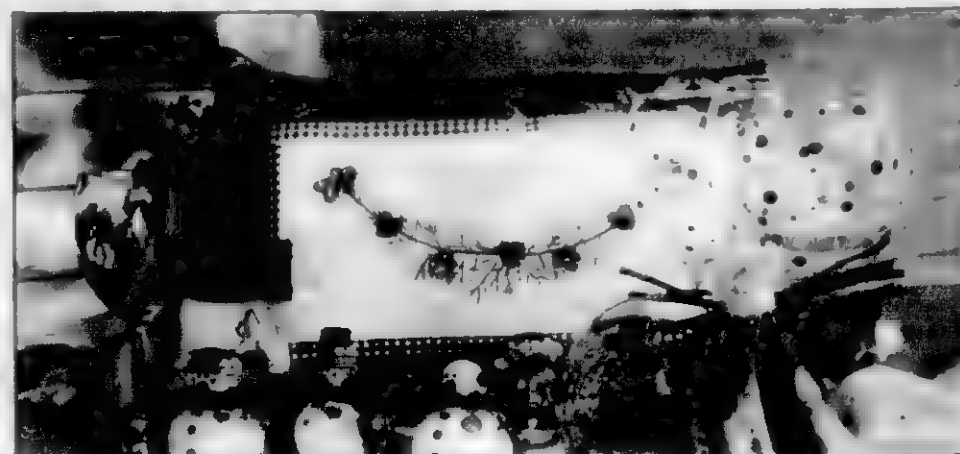
"The seven of us in the main group have a wide range of talents and we're hoping to have a number of vendors to offer even more variety."

By Our Hands From Our Hearts will offer jewelry, stained glass works, centerpieces, dolls, a variety of embroidery, prints and more.

The group hopes the wide range of crafts, artwork, and gifts available will make the show a success.

"It's the first year we're trying it. If it goes well we'll do it another year. If it doesn't, we learned our lesson," laughed Hosler.

By Our Hands From Our



COURTESY PHOTO

By Our Hands From Our Hearts will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Charlevoix Public Library in community room B. There is a \$2 cost for admission. Those interested in being a vendor should contact Sue Miller at Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop at 547-2729.

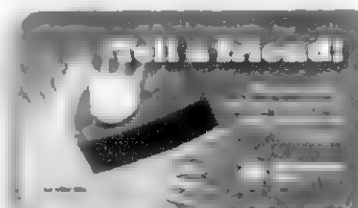
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Horseback riding therapeutic for handicapped



PHOTOS BY CAROL SULLIVAN

Aidan Towne (on horseback) smiles at his father Robert while Exceptional Rider volunteers lead the horse. The photo on top shows Zach Zabawa taking his turn with the Exceptional Rider volunteers.

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

In the eyes of Northern Michigan parents of handicapped children, Barbara Lane, Mary Lee and the countless volunteers of the Exceptional Riders program are a God-send.

An energetic, dynamic and enthusiastic lover of horses, Barbara is certified through the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association (NARHA) to teach and instruct handicapped youth and adults.

Through her efforts and those of the "many, many, many wonderful and willing volunteers and helpers that give of their time and energy to this program, the Exceptional Riders program changes lives," she said.

"The Exceptional Riders program all together has improved my son's well being and basically made it a lot easier for him to interact on a daily basis with other people," said Rob Towne, Boyne City resident and father of 6-year-old Aidan Towne.

Aidan and his parents have been a part of the organization since 2008 and have nothing but the most positive things to say about the group and their work. "Since beginning riding, Aidan has improved his balance, his motor skills and increased his sense of strength," Rob said. "It's incredible. The difference we have seen as a direct result

of the riding."

The benefits extend well beyond the sheer physical act of riding, parents explain.

Placed in an environment with other children of similar need levels, the children interact and make friends. They laugh with each other and build relationships with each other -- and so do their parents.

"It's a bit like therapy for [the parents] too," Mary Lee, another instructor with the program explained.

While their children are riding, the parents get to talking and oftentimes bond and relate over the similarities of their experiences in raising a handicapped child.

"And, when they are confident their children are in good hands," she added, "they get the chance to relax a bit too."

The joy the kids share each time they ride is obvious. Shrieks of laughter fill the arena.

"The kids have a lot of fun out there ... and they make friends," said Barb Zabawa, whose 9-year-old Zach has been a part of the program for four years.

"Not only do they learn how to ride a horse, increase their balance and coordination, but they improve their life and get the opportunity to make

friends."

What began in 1983 with a handful of willing volunteers, a few saddles and a prayer has transformed into one of the most successful riding for the handicapped programs in the United States. Thanks to the support of private donors, local business and organizations, including the Bay Harbor Equestrian Center, Exceptional Riders can provide an unparalleled service to their participants for free.

"Bay Harbor allows us to use their facilities and everything free of charge," Lane said. "They let us use their schooling horses for free and provide us unlimited use of their absolutely beautiful facility ... because they love our program and they love what we stand for ... their generosity is overwhelming, and our appreciation is great."

Lane said the difference this experience makes in the lives of these children is something that you really can't explain.

"You have to see it, you have to see the difference -- it's both humbling and exciting," she said.

For more information or to get involved with the Exceptional Riders program contact Barbara Lane at bond-a-cove@freeway.net

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The 'Dean' inducted to Ferris Hall of Fame

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
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A man who has made a major impact on life in Charlevoix is being honored for his legacy he left at a state university's athletic department.

On Oct. 30, Dean Davenport, a lifelong resident of Charlevoix, will be inducted into the Ferris State University Bulldog Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2009.

Davenport served as the school's athletic director and a basketball coach from 1970 to 1993.

Davenport was chosen by a 15-member selection committee from among 35 nominees.

Six others will also be inducted.

Davenport was notified about the honor this summer.

"I think I'm in with one of the finest classes we've had. There are some outstanding people that are being inducted this year," said Davenport.

"It's a thrill and I'm quite humbled and proud that I'm joining a select group."

Current FSU Athletics Director Tom Kirinovic describes this year's inductees as some of the strongest contributors to the Bulldog athletic program.

"With this being the 10th anniversary of starting the

"During my 14 years as director of athletics, I'm most proud of winning the President's Cup all those years."

DEAN DAVENPORT,
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Hall of Fame, I am continually amazed at the tremendous attributes of the former Bulldogs that are being inducted each year," said Kirinovic.

"These seven inductees are all folks that any Bulldog supporter would be extremely proud to include as members of the Hall of Fame."

During Davenport's tenure as Ferris State's Athletic Director, the Bulldogs won the GLIAC President's Cup for all-around excellence 14 consecutive years. The President's Cup is given to a school with the most successful all-around athletic program.

"During my 14 years as director of athletics, I'm most proud of winning the President's Cup all those years," said Davenport.

"That is a legacy I'm proud of. But I'm equally as proud that I was able to hire some great coaches and support staff to make all those wins possible."

In addition to winning the President's Cup, Davenport was instrumental in the growth and success of the school's recreation and intramural program.

He also played a key role in the planning of the FSU Sports Complex, the growth of intercollegiate athletics for women, the emergence of the school's successful ice hockey program and the development of the athletics scholarship program.

"After I retired 15 years ago, I served on the board that chose the hall of fame inductees," said Davenport.

"I was actually nominated eight years ago for the hall of fame but withdrew my name since I served on the board."

Davenport, who was raised in Charlevoix, spent several years as the city's Recreation Director.

He also heads up the Charlevoix County Junior Golf Program in the summer, and volunteers his time to help plan and organize the annual Venetian Festival.

With his diverse background in athletics and recreation, Davenport also helped in the creation of a new Recreation major at Ferris State University.

"I was just a sophomore in college when I took



FILE PHOTO

Long-time athlete, educator and coach Dean Davenport will be honored for his many decades of service when he is officially inducted into the Ferris State University Athletic Hall of Fame. The Ferris State Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place on Oct. 30 at Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids. Davenport served as the school's athletic director and a basketball coach from 1970 to 1993. Davenport was chosen by a 15-member selection committee from among 35 nominees.

the recreation position in Charlevoix," said Davenport.

"I believe the things I learned when working on that program really helped me in my career."

All three of Davenport's children also graduated from Ferris State University.

"Thanks to Ferris, my children also had a chance to have their talent shine and are now very successful in their careers," said Davenport.

"And now receiving this honor is all just very humbling."

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This year's honorees will also be recognized on Saturday, Oct. 31 during half-time activities at a home football game.

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Mike, Chris Way new lead pastors

ASSEMBLY
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sociate pastor, it is Ginger's desire to develop new programs and Christian education opportunities to better serve her own congregation as well as the community, while bringing a fresh focus on outreach, evangelism and community involvement.

It is her mission to help people discover God's calling in their lives while tapping into that person's spiritual gifts and natural talents, to train, equip and empower them to minister in the area that God has assigned to them, essentially giving them a place to belong and a place to work to further the kingdom of God.

Brian and Heather Cornett

have begun their tenure as Senior Youth Leaders.

Brian grew up in Charlevoix and Heather in the Petoskey area.

They have been married five years and have two children. Heather completed 'Youth With A Mission' (YWAM) Discipleship Training School in Maui in 2002 and participated in a 3 months outreach to India and Nepal in 2003.

Brian studied for two years at North Central Assembly Of God Bible College 2000-2002.

After college, he joined a traveling music ministry team through 'Carpenter Tools International'.

His outreach included eight months of traveling throughout the US ministering in

prisons, schools, churches and universities as well as a month long outreach in Honduras and Guatemala.

In 2003, he took a return trip to Honduras where he led a summer outreach team with 'Youth For Christ.'

After their marriage, they spent six months in Nepal working with SARA church and orphanage in Kathmandu.

Locally, they have participated in many outreaches with 'Ragamuffins Theatre' and joined them on several mission trips including 'House Of Hope' Orlando, Fla. and two outreaches to Puerto Rico.

Last year they lived in Phoenix, Ariz. for the winter while Brian took part in a six-month mentoring program and interned as a worship leader at

Christlife Church in Tempe, Ariz.

Brian plans on beginning the Berean School of the Bible this winter in order to earn his ministerial credentials with Assemblies of God.

Brian and Heather's desires for their Youth Ministry While ghettos may have their share of violence and crime, small communities are the home of more subtle demonic forces like numbness, complacency and comfort.

And, it is these very things that can eat away at people's souls and leave them unknown victims of the enemy's prowl.

They want to lead youth from where ever they are currently, into a more genuine and deeper relationship with the Father.



COURTESY PHOTO

New lead pastors of the Assembly of God Church in Charlevoix are Chris and Mike Way (front, from left) pictured with their daughters Jenna and Aubrey.

Summit goal to make sexual, physical abuse rare

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Hoping to make child abuse a rarity, local and national experts will be holding a Community Leadership Summit on Abuse and Assault in Charlevoix.

The event, which offers free events open to the public as well as paid portions, will be led by Victor Vieth, director of the National Child Protection Training Center, a training facility located at Winona State University.

"His purpose is to prevent abuse and stop abuse," said Charlevoix resident and long-time victim advocate Heidi Miller who is co-chairing the summit. "The Friday event has no religious aspect. We are going to hear about what we as a community can do to eliminate child abuse. The Saturday event is for community-wide worship and healing service where all pastors from the community (more than 12 churches) in Charlevoix-Emmett area, will be attending."

Jason Wiser, director of the Michigan Bridge Ministry, has a full-time ministry in Ukraine where he and his wife work with children who have suffered from sexual abuse, is co-chairing the event with Miller.

"I strongly believe the churches are too afraid to get engaged in this topic... that is affecting our communities," he said. "By raising awareness as a community, we can eliminate false accusations and

eliminate serious accusations by not covering up, not trying to solve those issues in-house exclusively."

According to the National Child Protection Training Center, Vieth, a graduate of Hamline University Law School, has trained thousands of child protection professionals from all 50 states and internationally.

His focus is on "Prevention of child abuse and neglect. Victor is also the author of 'Unto the Third Generation,' a bold initiative that outlines the necessary steps we must all take to eliminate child abuse in America in three generations," his biography states.

Miller said everyone interested in stopping child abuse must attend the summit.

"We want to make child abuse rare in American like polio," she said. "People can think this is pie in the sky, but everybody has to take responsibility for this epidemic of child abuse."

Events will include a presentation by Vieth for pastors and community leaders only on how churches should go about writing their child abuse and prevention policies.

You may register at 8 a.m. for the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. workshop on preventing abuse on Friday Nov. 13 at the Commu-

nity Reformed Church at 100 Oak St.

The cost is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door.

Vieth will speak on ending child abuse in America.

The free event begins at 7 p.m. with a community presentation by Vieth.

The workshop continues at 8 a.m. on Nov. 14.

Contact Jason Wiser at (231) 432-8177 or Heidi Miller at (231) 459-5107.

Then, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. there will be a church healing service on Saturday Nov. 14 at Charlevoix Family of Faith Church on 203 East Upight St.

Additional speakers during the summit will include Basyle "Boz" Tchividjian, J.D., on the topic of Policy, Law, Child Abuse & Assault Prevention and Prosecution.

Petoskey resident Jim Marshall on "The Art and Power of Loving a Survivor."

Miller on "Sanctuary trauma: what heals what hurts."

Chris Krajewski, of the Women's Resource Center in Petoskey, on "Walking the walk."

There will be an introduction to the new "Red Card Curriculum," an eight-week class on raising awareness of at-risk kids through a biblical perspective.

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City revamps policy

POLICY

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Brandi

Straebel said the city has and will continue work with them on pay ment plans when needed. We need to

run the utility department as a business, but we know there are extenuating circumstances," he added.

City treasurer Rick Brandi said he generally sees two or so shutoffs each month.

"I cannot remember ever having anyone shut off in the dead of winter," he said.

"This policy doesn't really change anything we were doing in the past, it simply ensures we make every effort to contact people to make sure they know they are behind before we shut them off."

The city's policy on notifying clients is already extensive, Brandi said.

"They get a notice telling them they're past due, then we send them a shutoff notice, then if they don't

"This is largely a proactive measure and is consistent with what city staff has been doing in the past working with senior citizens and lower-income families to make sure we do not shut off their utilities. We will continue working with them to make sure payments are made on a timely basis and that they do not have utilities shut off in the dead of winter."

ROB STRAEDEL,
CHARLEVOIX CITY MANAGER

pay we hang a (notice) on their door and then, if they still have not paid, we call them," he said.

"So, we really try to make contact with the person to make sure they know."

Further, if seniors are scheduled for shutoff during hot weather, they will not have service discontinued if the temperature forecast for the current or following day is 95 degrees or higher.

Conversely, low-income customers and senior citizens will not have their power turned off during winter months as long as they are enrolled in the winter protection payment plan.

If they can prove they have applied for state or federal income assistance within 14 days of request

ing shutoff protection, they will not be shut off.

Persons who must have power for medical reasons such as oxygen maker and other life support will neither have their power shut off.

"We do have some referrals to social service agencies and local churches," Brandi said.

"We try to turn people in those directions when they need help."

Brandi added that the city has seen an increase in shutoff notices and delinquent accounts since the recession hit.

"We've probably been more liberal with our payment plans in the past year or so, but we still stick to it: if someone breaks their payment plan, we do not do another one," he said.



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Holy matrimony

Mike McManus and his wife Harriet, founders of Marriage Savers, on Friday Oct. 23, came to Charlevoix to kick off their program. To reconcile separated couples with quality support materials and loving counsel. The Lake Charlevoix Area Community Marriage Covenant, which was signed during the ceremony pictured above, seeks to, "Provide in depth Scripture-based premarital counseling by trained mentor couples which will include a premarital inventory and teaching of communication and conflict resolution; enrich all existing marriages with annual marriage retreats offered at low cost; and help heal hurting marriages by providing seasoned mentor couples." For more information call Rev. Dan Gilmore at 547-5711.

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August water monitoring results verify that pH readings above the action level of nine have been virtually eliminated and human health and safety concerns have been effectively addressed. In August, only one reading above nine (9.12, similar to baking soda) was recorded in an isolated area west of the Bay Harbor golf course clubhouse. These results build on months of increasingly positive results and are a dramatic contrast to the dozens of pH readings above nine that were recorded in 2005, before CMS began its work at the site.

"These important environmental accomplishments are the result of a lot of hard work and substantial investment," said David Mengebier, CMS Land Company president. "The June reopening of East Park, the lifting of several health advisories, and these most recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

In reporting these results, CMS also noted two important milestones in completing work at the site: review and approval by regulators of the Remedial Investigation/Alternative Evaluation (RI/AE) studies for East Park and the Bay Harbor development and continued work to identify a local option for disposing of water collected at the site.

In late summer, CMS Land submitted the RI/AEs to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The RI/AEs use established scientific processes to evaluate the effectiveness of both current and long-term remedies at both locations. The EPA and DEQ will consider public input while reviewing the documents and then can approve the documents or request additional study. Once approved, the RI/AEs will outline the final work involved with the project.

"We believe we have done an excellent job so far. We are hopeful that the RI/AEs will be reviewed and approved in a timely manner so that we can build on our progress and bring the project to a successful conclusion," said Mengebier.

In addition, work is underway to identify a local remedy to dispose of the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor. The collection and treatment of large quantities of groundwater is the primary method CMS is using to address pH and mercury at the site. Different options under review would safely treat the water and release it to the lake, pump the water into the City of Petoskey's water treatment system for treatment, or involve the construction of a local disposal well near the site. CMS is currently shipping up to 27 trucks containing 11,500 gallons of water a day to Traverse City and Johannesburg for disposal.

"Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns, and cost, is not a realistic long-term remedy," Mengebier said. "We absolutely need—and are encouraged that the public has expressed a desire—to identify a local solution to a local concern."

East Park and Bay Harbor were reclaimed from the site of an abandoned cement factory covering 1,200 acres and five miles of Lake Michigan shoreline. The brownfield site was redeveloped in 1994 and was the largest reclamation project in North America.

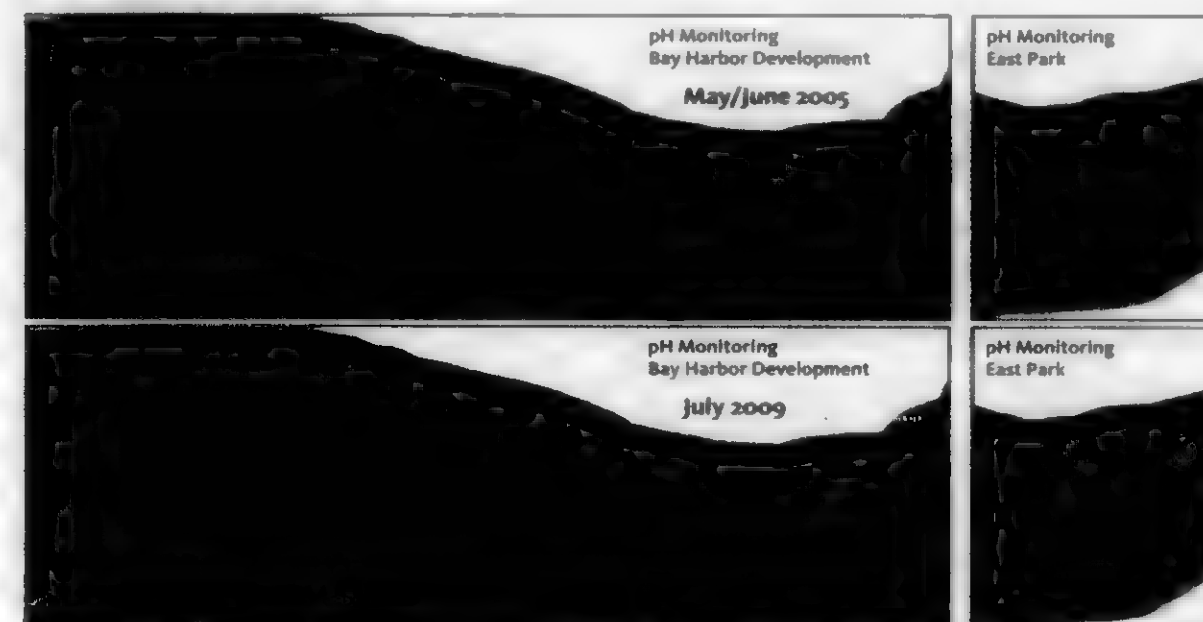
While no longer a partner in the project that redeveloped an abandoned cement factory into the Bay Harbor community and two public parks, CMS Land Company agreed to address certain environmental issues associated with the cement dust left behind by the cement plant. CMS has worked for five years and spent more than \$90 million on the project to date and has achieved significant environmental progress in the protection of Little Traverse Bay.

For more information about the work done as part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit www.protectingourbay.com

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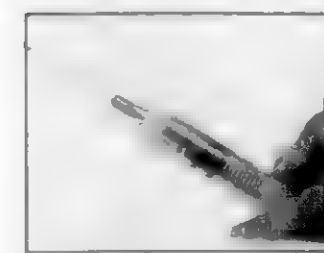
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H1N1 shots available for those most at risk



Health department offers limited vaccine to those who need it most

With flu illness widespread throughout the region, public health officials are scrambling to get H1N1 vaccine out to those who are at highest risk of developing complications from the flu.

H1N1 flu vaccine clinics tentatively scheduled next week:

H1N1 vaccinations from the Health Department are free. Clinics are set for 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday Oct. 30, in each county served by

the Health Department of Northwest Michigan as follows:

Antrim County: Health Department Bellaire office
Charlevoix County: Charlevoix Public Library
Emmet County: Health Department Petoskey/Harbor Springs office

Otsego County: Health Department Gaylord office
There are no appointments; vaccination is on a walk-in, first come-first serve basis and only for those people who are most vulnerable to influenza.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control's Advisory Committee of Immunization Practices (ACIP) the first groups to immunize when vaccine supplies are limited are:

Pregnant women
Persons who live with or provide care for infants un-

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der six months old (parents, brothers and sisters, and child care providers)

Health care workers and emergency personnel who have direct contact with patients

Children age six months through four years old

Children and adolescents age five through 18 who have medical conditions, like asthma or other lung disease, heart disease, diabetes, neurological disorders, cancer or chemotherapy, or immune system

disorders.

Children age nine and under need two doses of vaccine 28 days apart.

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Pregnant women, children under two years old, and people with medical conditions described above will get an H1N1 injection.

Also, anyone over age 50 who lives with or cares for an infant under six months old or who is a health care worker with direct patient contact will get an H1N1 injection. Everyone else in the current "vaccine priority sub-groups" will receive flu mist.

"We're asking community members to please let those who are most vulnerable get the vaccine first," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "We're in the early stages of a very long and challenging flu season. We've ordered more vaccine and Michigan Department of Community Health is shipping it out to local health departments as soon as they get it from the CDC."

Meyerson said to check the Health Department's

Web site, www.nwhealth.org, for current information about the H1N1 clinics.

"It will be a long while before it's too late to protect yourself or your family members from either seasonal flu or H1N1 flu," Meyerson said. "The flu season typically lasts through April. CDC is watching for current flu activity to ebb over the next few weeks and then return in January, like it did during the last flu pandemic in the late 1950s. Vaccination is the best protection from the flu so we're saying, 'wait your turn, but get your shot.'"

Additional H1N1 flu vaccination clinics will be announced as vaccine shipments arrive. For additional information about the H1N1 flu and flu clinics, visit www.nwhealth.org or call (800) 432-4121.

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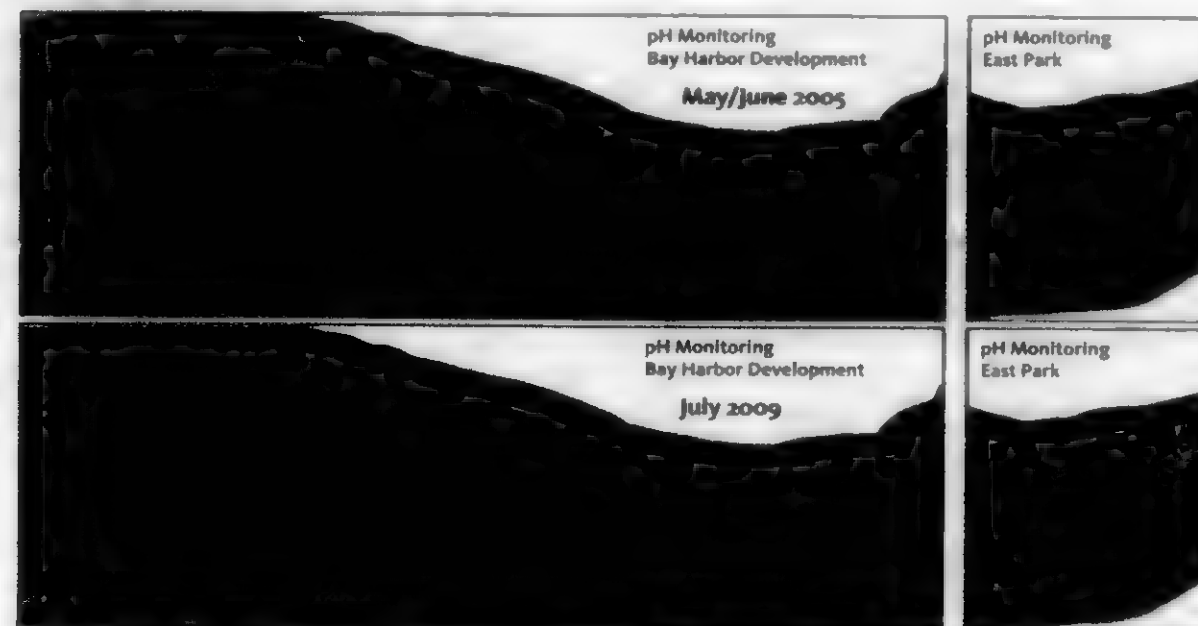
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PETOSKEY, Mich., (Sept. 28, 2009) - CMS Land Company reports that significant progress has been made in addressing environmental issues related to the defunct cement plant that once operated on the shores of Little Traverse Bay. The abandoned site was redeveloped in 1994 into what are now Resort Township's East Park and the Bay Harbor Resort.

August water monitoring results verify that pH readings above the action level of nine have been virtually eliminated and human health and safety concerns have been effectively addressed. In August, only one reading above nine (9.12, similar to baking soda) was recorded in an isolated area west of the Bay Harbor golf course clubhouse. These results build on months of increasingly positive results and are a dramatic contrast to the dozens of pH readings above nine that were recorded in 2005, before CMS began its work at the site.

Project Success - pH levels normalized



pH Monitoring Points
○ pH value equal to or greater than 9.0 in surface water
● pH value less than 9.0 in surface water

The top chart shows dozens of yellow dots, indicating pH readings above the standard of 9. These readings were taken in 2005, before most of the current remedies at Resort Township's East Park and Bay Harbor had been installed. The bottom chart depicts readings taken in 2009 and shows only blue dots, indicating all pH readings taken that month were below the standard of 9.

"These important environmental accomplishments are the result of a lot of hard work and substantial investment," said David Mengebier, CMS Land Company president. "The June reopening of East Park, the lifting of several health advisories, and these most recent results demonstrate that the remedies we have installed over the past five years are working well."

In reporting these results, CMS also noted two important milestones in completing work at the site: review and approval by regulators of the Remedial Investigation/Alternative Evaluation (RI/AE) studies for East Park and the Bay Harbor development and continued work to identify a local option for disposing of water collected at the site.

In late summer, CMS Land submitted the RI/AEs to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The RI/AEs use established scientific processes to evaluate the effectiveness of both current and long-term remedies at both locations. The EPA and DEQ will consider public input while reviewing the documents and then can approve the documents or request additional study. Once approved, the RI/AEs will outline the final work involved with the project.

"We believe we have done an excellent job so far. We are hopeful that the RI/AEs will be reviewed and approved in a timely manner so that we can build on our progress and bring the project to a successful conclusion," said Mengebier.

In addition, work is underway to identify a local remedy to dispose of the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor. The collection and treatment of large quantities of groundwater is the primary method CMS is using to address pH and mercury at the site. Different options under review would safely treat the water and release it to the lake, pump the water into the City of Petoskey's water treatment system for treatment, or involve the construction of a local disposal well near the site. CMS is currently shipping up to 27 trucks containing 11,500 gallons of water a day to Traverse City and Johannesburg for disposal.

"Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns, and cost, is not a realistic long-term remedy," Mengebier said. "We absolutely need—and are encouraged that the public has expressed a desire—to identify a local solution to a local concern."

East Park and Bay Harbor were reclaimed from the site of an abandoned cement factory covering 1,200 acres and five miles of Lake Michigan shoreline. The brownfield site was redeveloped in 1994 and was the largest reclamation project in North America.

While no longer a partner in the project that redeveloped an abandoned cement factory into the Bay Harbor community and two public parks, CMS Land Company agreed to address certain environmental issues associated with the cement dust left behind by the cement plant. CMS has worked for five years and spent more than \$90 million on the project to date and has achieved significant environmental progress in the protection of Little Traverse Bay.

For more information about the work done as part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, please visit www.protectingourbay.com

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H1N1 shots available for those most at risk



Health department offers limited vaccine to those who need it most

With flu illness widespread throughout the region, public health officials are scrambling to get H1N1 vaccine out to those who are at highest risk of developing complications from the flu.

H1N1 flu vaccine clinics tentatively scheduled next week:

H1N1 vaccinations from the Health Department are free. Clinics are set for 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday Oct. 30, in each county served by

the Health Department of Northwest Michigan as follows:

Antrim County: Health Department Bellaire office.
Charlevoix County: Charlevoix Public Library.
Emmet County: Health Department Petoskey/Harbor Springs office.

Otsego County: Health Department Gaylord office.

There are no appointments; vaccination is on a walk-in, first come-first serve basis and only for those people who are most vulnerable to influenza.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control's Advisory Committee of Immunization Practices (ACIP) the first groups to immunize when vaccine supplies are limited are:

Pregnant women
Persons who live with or provide care for infants un-

"Supplies of injectable vaccine are severely limited at this time; only those people who cannot get the vaccine in spray mist form will receive an H1N1 shot at the Oct. 30 clinic."

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der six months old (parents, brothers and sisters, and child care providers)

Health care workers and emergency personnel who have direct contact with patients

Children age six months through four years old

Children and adolescents age five through 18 who have medical conditions,

like asthma or other lung disease, heart disease, diabetes, neurological disorders, cancer or chemotherapy, or immune system

disorders.
Children age nine and under need two doses of vaccine 28 days apart.

The Health Department's supplies of injectable vaccine are severely limited at this time; only those people who cannot get the vaccine in spray mist form will receive an H1N1 "shot" at the Oct. 30 clinics.

Pregnant women, children under two years old, and people with medical conditions described above will get an H1N1 injection.

Also, anyone over age 50 who lives with or cares for an infant under six months old or who is a health care worker with direct patient contact will get an H1N1 injection. Everyone else in the current "vaccine priority sub-groups" will receive flu mist.

"We're asking community members to please let those who are most vulnerable get the vaccine first," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "We're in the early stages of a very long and challenging flu season. We've ordered more vaccine and Michigan Department of Community Health is shipping it out to local health departments as soon as they get it from the CDC."

Meyerson said to check the Health Department's

Web site, www.nwhealth.org, for current information about the H1N1 clinics.

"It will be a long while before it's too late to protect yourself or your family members from either seasonal flu or H1N1 flu," Meyerson said. "The flu season typically lasts through April. CDC is watching for current flu activity to ebb over the next few weeks and then return in January, like it did during the last flu pandemic in the late 1950s. Vaccination is the best protection from the flu so we're saying, 'wait your turn, but get your shot.'"

Additional H1N1 flu vaccination clinics will be announced as vaccine shipments arrive. For additional information about the H1N1 flu and flu clinics, visit www.nwhealth.org or call (800) 432-4121.

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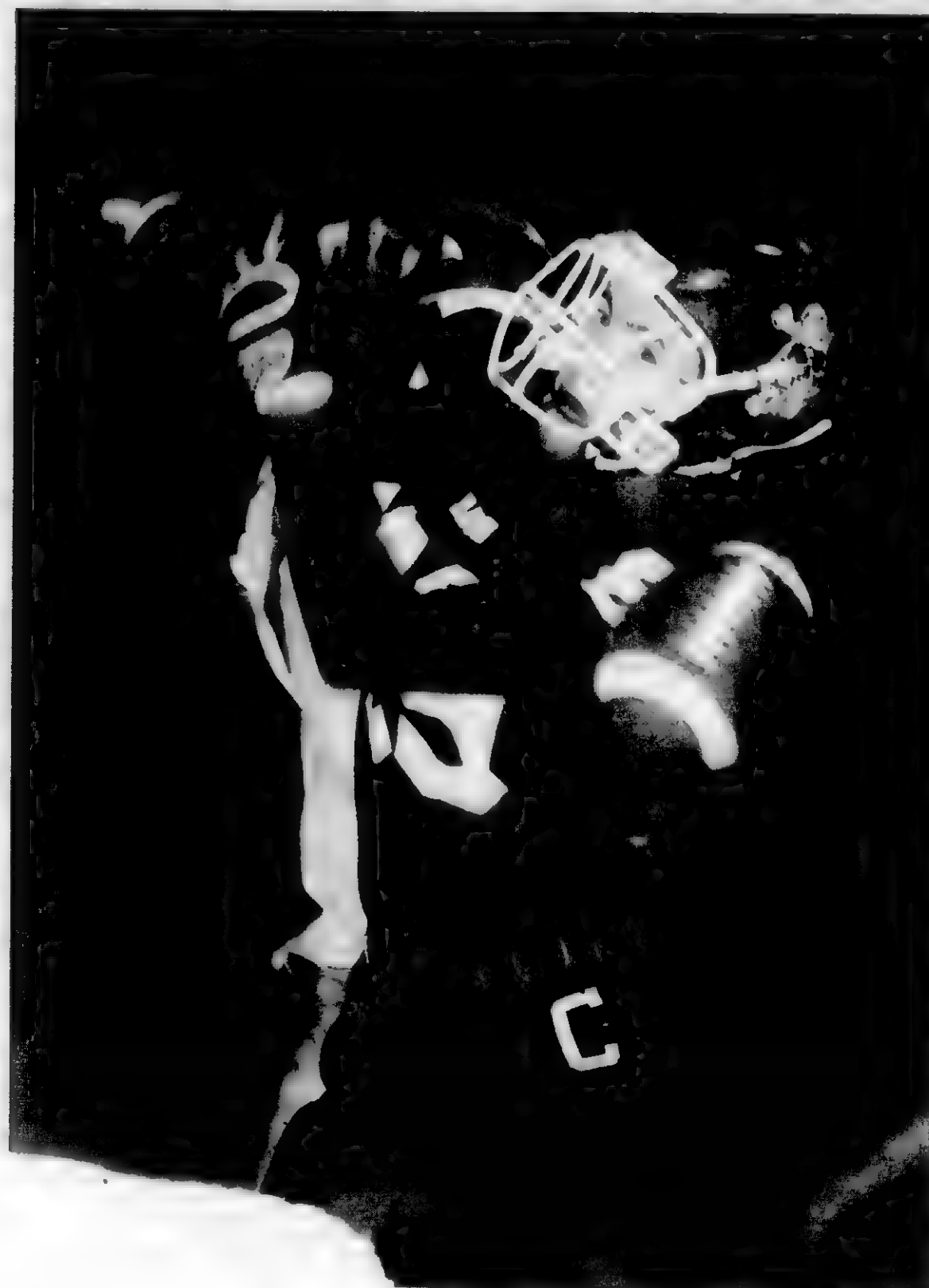
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Rayders secure playoff slot

Tight end Coby Herriman, (above) Charlevoix Rayders #89, had this pass fall incomplete with only seven minutes left to go in the fourth quarter during the Friday Oct. 23 game against Harbor Springs at home. The Rayders beat the Rams 33-14 to secure a spot in the playoffs. Senior quarterback Clayton Mitchell #12 (right) breaks away from Harbor Springs' Miles Wilkes #5 for a big gain in the third quarter.

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Peewee Jamboree

A look of disappointment shows on the face of number 9, Clayton Meadows of the Mancelona Ironmen (far left) following a tough loss to the Charlevoix Pirates 21-8 on Saturday, Oct. 24. The Jr. Peewee teams had one of five games during the annual Pop Warner Football Jamboree held at Kipke Field. The second game of the day featured the Charlevoix Buccaneers against the Jr. Peewee football team the Mancelona Ironmen II.

BUSINESS What's new?

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New masseuse at McFadden

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

McFadden Chiropractic Clinic now offers massage therapy.

Long-time chiropractor Brian McFadden, a member of the American Medical Massage Association and who studied at the Blue Heron Academy of Healing Arts and Sciences, hired Abigail Tompkins as his new masseuse at the end of this summer.

"It's something I've been thinking about doing for a couple years now," McFadden said.

"I just thought she'd (Tompkins) be a good fit."

Massage therapy focuses on treating muscle soreness, poor circulation, lymphatic draining, muscle spasms and generalized pain.

According to McFadden,



"chiropractic as well as massage therapy go hand in hand."

Tompkins graduated from Blue Heron Academy in March, 2009 before going on to work at Boyne Mountain in the spa.

"I had been doing massage pretty much all along as my technique with chiropractic adjustment," McFadden said.

"That's why it was a good fit: we already offered it, but took it a step further."

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North, Charlevoix. McFadden is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; and from 8 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays.

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Business thriving despite recession

BUSINESS

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"The economy hasn't stopped people from spending."

KARI DAVIS,
PETALS CUSTOM FLORAL DESIGNS

Labor and Economic Growth of last winter's numbers. "The 13.9 percent puts Charlevoix a little below the state average."

The surrounding 10 counties in the northern lower peninsula are closer to 13.1 percent, and there are currently approximately 713,000 people out of work in the state.

According to a random sampling of Charlevoix businesses, lowered unemployment and new business growth seem to indicate a potential fiscal upswing.

Al Plungis, the owner and chef of Edgewater Bistro known for its steaks and seafood, said business was great this summer.

"I just think people come up to Charlevoix because it's a great town," he said. "People still do vacations (during a down economy) they just stay closer to home."

Craig Cooper manages Maxwell Bros. Cycle Shop.

"We did better this year than the previous summer," he said. "We were blessed not to be hit by the economy."

Cooper said motorcycle enthusiasts have kept up with their hobby, and that has kept his full-service Harley Davidson and metric bike repair business steady.

The increase in business has recently allowed the shop to ex-

pand its scope to include used motorcycle sales and a wide variety of apparel and accessories.

Matt Claflin, who owns Sonny's Ironing Market, said the restaurant and grocery portion of his store was slower than last summer, but that his other business is doing well.

"The puzzle business was fantastic," Claflin said of his Puzzles That Rock line. "We created a second puzzle Lures and Legends and we have plans to release our third puzzle in the spring."

Business also bloomed this summer for Kari Davis, owner of Petals Custom Floral Designs. "Things went great; a lot better than expected," she said. "We were busy with a lot of weddings, a lot of local and summer people coming and the word is spreading."

Davis said the retail flower industry seemed to be down as a whole, but that it has not negatively affected her.

"The economy hasn't stopped people from spending," she said. "I was thrilled with my first year being open. It was more than I could have hoped for."

However, economist Michael LaFave of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, an independent

Midland-based think tank said the economy isn't ready for a full rebound yet.

"It drives home the point, in a big way, the old saying: If your neighbor loses his job, it's a recession; if you lose your job it's a depression," LaFave said, citing relatively high unemployment numbers as a good indicator of economic strength. "It also means higher outboard migration. For every one percent increase in the state unemployment rate, about 1,000 additional people leave the state every year."

LaFave said from 2002 to 2007, Michigan's true unemployment rate was masked because the rate of Michiganders leaving the state was high enough to cause an artificial excess of jobs.

Annual adjusted unemployment was 6.2 percent in 2002, 7.1 percent in 2003, 7.1 percent in 2004, 6.8 percent in 2005, 6.9 percent in 2006 and 7.1 percent in 2007.

Once unemployment numbers skyrocketed over the past year, that excess disappeared.

"I suspect at some point we will return to a different equilibrium where far more jobs are available for the number of people looking for them," LaFave said.



FILE PHOTO

While so many businesses nationwide are scaling back production and cutting staff, some small business owners are expanding through new and unique opportunities. Pictured here are Nathan and Jacob Claflin (from left) help their mom Lisa showcase "Puzzles That Rock." Lisa and her husband Matt said business in their deli/party store is down a little from last year, but that puzzle sales are continuing to increase.

"But, I don't see that happening for several years in part due to the national recession — because our unemployed no longer have anywhere to go."

As far as predicting when the economy may pull fully out of this cycle, LaFave said only time will tell.

"I would like to say we've hit the trough, but I always look to Ireland as a historical example," he said. "After 10 years of potato famine they said things can't get any worse, but even today their population is worse than when

the potato famine hit."

LaFave added, "It tells us economic malaise can linger for decades, and if the present trends continue, we can see traditionally poorer states like Mississippi may pass Michigan in average per capita personal income."

Industries most affected by the layoff activity, said Weaver, have been in manufacturing, auto-related business, construction and the whole professional and business services industry. Alternately, health care continues to add jobs. While none of the experts

would attempt to predict when recovery may occur, LaFave did say there are signs for which to watch. Two things to look for in determining when Michigan begins to rebound are the state's economic output and personal income statistics.

"Since '99, Michigan's economic output has fallen from 16th among 40 states to 41st," LaFave said. "When that climbs again, you're looking at good news on the horizon. The second, and intertwined thing, is personal income."

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dori J. Groh and Veld J. Groh, husband and wife, by Dori J. Groh, her attorney in fact, original mortgage(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgage, dated December 6, 2006, and recorded on December 12, 2006 in Liber 777 on Page 486, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Two And 53/100 Dollars (\$153,442.53), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on November 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 200.00 feet of the South 400.00 feet of the following described parcel of land, described as beginning at an iron stake at the Easternmost corner of Lot 4, Block 2, Gager's Addition to Boyne Falls, according to the recorded Plat thereof, thence Northwesterly along the Northwesterly line of the County Road 66.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description, thence North 76 degrees 15 minutes West 89.62 feet; thence North 13 degrees 45 minutes East 62.97 feet to the Southwesterly line of the Boyne Valley cemetery; thence South 76 degrees 15 minutes East along said Southwesterly line of said cemetery to the Northwesterly line of said County Road, thence Southwesterly along said road line to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 5 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 21, 2009.

For more information, please call FCH (248) 593-1300. Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys For Services 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #280506601 (L-10/21,10/28,11/04,11/11)

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Erik K. West and Colleen K. West, husband and wife as tenants by their entirety, Mortgage(s), to Olympus Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated the 24th day of November, 2004 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on the 10th day of October, 2005 in Liber 709 of Charlevoix County Records, page 545, said Mortgage having been assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand Eighty Three & 12/100 (\$108,083.12), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in

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NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

Common Threads
A special exhibit is on display at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St. "Common Threads" is a display of local textile artists' work. A group of women, lead by Kathie Briggs, have been meeting at the library for two years to share, learn and support each other in their endeavors. The display is a culmination of their work and will be in the community room foyer through Oct. 31.

For more information about this or other library events, visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

OCT. 31 DEADLINE
CCA photo exhibit
Entries for the Charlevoix Circle of Arts photography exhibit cost \$20 for the first three photos submitted. Each subsequent entry costs \$10 with a five-entry total.

Students pay \$5 per photo. Traditional 35 mm medium format; digital and alternative — process photographic works are all invited. Must be framed and ready to hang. If the image has been altered or enhanced, a statement of technique would be appreciated to include for educational purposes for the viewer.

The jury will select the images for the Exhibit as well as the top three of show.

The opening reception will be on Friday, November 6.

For more information, call Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com or go to www.charlevoixcircle.org.

The circle is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Call 547-3554 for more information on the circle and its programs.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 31

The Nightmare at Challenge Mountain house of horrors is open from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in October.

Nightmare is located at 2205 Springbrook Road in Boyne Falls.

Go to www.challengemtn.org or call (231) 582-1186

for more information.

All proceeds go directly to support Challenge Mountain programs.

NOW THROUGH NOV. 11

Computer classes
Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning; students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Managing Your Computer
is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St. Register by calling 237-7340.

Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

OCT. 28

Tai Chi
Fall Tai Chi classes at the Boyne District Library.

The beginner's class will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays at the Boyne District Library in the downstairs community room.

The continuing/intermediate student class will meet at 10 a.m.

Classes will meet Oct. 28 and Nov. 4, 11 and 18.

Each class begins promptly on the hour and runs about 50 minutes.

The cost for seniors is \$10 for six weeks and \$34 for those under 60 years of age.

The classes are open to everyone.

For more information, contact The Charlevoix County Commission on Aging at (231) 237-0103 or Meg McClorey at (231) 582-7689 or e-mail megpois@sbglobal.net.

OCT. 27 AND 28

Coast Guard Haunted Station

There will be a haunted station from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 27-28, at the U.S. Coast Guard station, 101 Coast Guard Drive,

Charlevoix.
Cost of admission is one canned good to be donated to the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry. Call 547-2565 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVES

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Oct. 29 at Charlevoix High School, 5200 Marion Center Road

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Nov. 16 at East Jordan High School, 204 North Maple St.

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19 at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

OCT. 29, NOV. 6

Volunteer connections

Does your non-profit agency need more volunteers? Char-Em United Way's Volunteer Connections can help! Volunteer Connections is an online, virtual volunteer center that allows agencies and community members to come together and match their needs, skills, knowledge, and passion. Volunteer Connections will benefit your agency by engaging more volunteers thus expanding your resources.

Non-profit agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet counties are invited to attend an orientation to the online software at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29 or 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6.

Interested agencies should contact the United Way office at (231) 487-1006 or e-mail Sarah Cleary, Amerr



COURTESY PHOTO

Unsinkable historian

David Kaplan, retired teacher and member of the Titanic Historical Society, has been researching and collecting Titanic paraphernalia for over 40 years. Kaplan will be, at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 12, at the Charlevoix Public Library to share his love for everything Titanic. His collection includes drawings, passenger lists, newspaper articles, and various memorabilia for the ship.

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OCT. 31

Halloween party
The Charlevoix Yacht Club will host a Halloween party from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Halloween at 209 Ferry Ave. in Charlevoix.

This adult party is themed Woodstock. The \$5 entry fee includes prizes, food and entertainment. There is a cash bar. Public is welcome. Call 547-4872 for more information.

Straits Area Amateur Radio Club Annual Swap and Shop.

Public is welcome from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Oct. 31 at Zion Lutheran Church, 500 West Mitchell, Petoskey.

Vendors can arrive at 7 a.m.

Entrance fee is \$8 with a table or \$5 to purchase. Refreshments available.

There will be a 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Must be present to win.

CASH FOR CANDY

Nov. 1
Stop by Beacon Dental Center in Charlevoix after Halloween and you may sell your wrapped candy for \$1 per pound. The effort is to promote healthier teeth. The candy will be sent to the troops overseas.

Candy will be collected from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday Nov. 1 at 06483 M66 North. Call 547-9141 for more information.

NOV. 1 AND 5

Hospice Month
At 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1, Hospice of Northwest Michigan will be holding its annual Memorial Service to remember the patients it has served this past year. We are also encouraging anyone who has experienced a death to attend this very meaningful service.

This Memorial Service will be held at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church, 103 State St., Charlevoix.

Call Margaret Lasater, bereavement coordinator at Hospice of Northwest Michigan at 547-7448 for more information.

The Holidays can be a difficult time for those who have experienced a loss. Grief specialists can help with suggestions for how you can handle the holidays in its "Handling the

Holidays" workshop. The workshop will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Charlevoix Area Hospital in the large classroom on the lower level. This program is open to anyone who feels a need for help to get through the holidays.

NOV. 4

Historical Society spaghetti fundraiser

The Charlevoix Historical Society's annual fundraising all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner will take place from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Villager Pub, 427 Bridge St.

All proceeds from the spaghetti portion of the menu, plus all tips, go toward support of the Society. Society members will serve as wait staff.

The event is non-smoking. Call 547-0373 for more information.

NOV. 7

Mom to Mom sale
Sign up now to be a vendor at Charlevoix's 10th Annual "Mom to Mom & Everything Else Sale" from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, Nov. 7 at the Charlevoix Middle School, May Street entrance.

Over 20 vendors selling very gently used infant through adults clothes, toys, books, bikes, furniture and more.

A \$2 admission fee for adults 18 and older and a portion of the proceeds will

be donated to the Charlevoix Middle School.
For more information, call Beth Martin at 547-1768.

Angel Food Ministries
From 10 a.m. to noon on Nov. 7 at the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene you may place your order for low-cost groceries. Anyone may participate regardless of income.

Angel Food now offers senior meals, similar to TV dinners.

Country concert
At 7 p.m. on Nov. 7 at the Harvest Barn in East Jordan, country bands "Finding Eden" and "Annabelle Road" will play. Tickets cost \$10; children 6 and younger get in for free.

Call 237-4280 for more information.

NOV. 10

Evening Garden Club
The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club's next monthly meeting is 7 p.m. on Tuesday Nov. 10 at Marvin's Gardens, 06625 M-66, call 547-5199 or 547-3091 for more information.

NOV. 21

Adoption information
From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 21, there will be a "Get to know adoption" event with information on all aspects of the practice. Call 237-9880 for more information.



Pumpkin Pro'

Professional pumpkin carver Pat Harrison of Maple City is surrounded by his works, as he carves on another, Thursday at the Charlevoix Public Library. Harrison was at the library all day creating pumpkin art and answering questions from curious amateurs. Harrison's creations will be on display at the library until they deteriorate.

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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Archie William Graham, 29, East Jordan. Insufficient funds for checks written, over \$100, but less than \$500. Credit for two days in jail; to serve six days in jail; \$559.09 in fines and costs.

Phillip James Steen, 23, Charlevoix. Disorderly person/drunken. Pay \$300 in fines and costs or serve 12 days in jail.

Wesley Steven King, 32, Petoskey. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Phyllis Jean McWatters, 33, East Jordan. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve six days in jail.

Jason Alan Groh, 29, Boyne

City. Disorderly person/drunken. Credit for two days in jail; 78 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days community service work; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$525.50 in fines and costs.

Debbie Rosemarie Morales, 37, Charlevoix. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve five days of community service; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$830 in fines and costs.

Hannah Megan Bradley, 18, Charlevoix. Minor in possession, third or subsequent offense. Serve 50 hours of community service; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend

substance abuse classes; \$400 in fines and costs.

Gregory Alan Kowalski, 48, Presque Isle. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; 30 days on electronic monitoring device; 72 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$930 in fines and costs.

Jared Norris Hoffman, 29, Cedar. Insufficient funds for checks written, under \$100. Pay \$440.45 or serve three days in jail.

Joshua Michael Robertson, 22, Indian River. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Serve 20 days in jail; \$800 in fines and costs.

Zachary Thomas Bascom, 19, Elmira. Operator license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. Pay \$310 or serve two days in jail.

BIRTHS

Daylin James Butterfield weighing 6 pounds 3 ounces was born Oct. 22 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Travis Butterfield and Jamie Love of Charlevoix. His siblings are Justice, Thomas, Olivia and Lexi. His Grandparents are Don and Jan LaVigne of Leaning and Don and Willow Frosty of Ellsworth.

Abel Belmont Deneau weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces was born Oct. 25 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Regina Davis and Nick Deneau of Boyne City. His sibling is Aiden Cole Davis. His grandparents are Mary and Tim Deneau and Rose and Bob Davis all from Boyne City.

Isabella Oviedo weighing 6 pounds 10 ounces was born Oct. 24 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Herberto and Irene Oviedo of Ellsworth. Her sibling is Ana Oviedo. Her grandparents are Margarita Oviedo and Rosendo Oviedo both of Ellsworth and Connie L. Romero and Carlos Romero both of Nebraska.

Kalen Beckley Titus weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces was born Oct. 23 at Charlevoix Area Hospital to Brian and Carrie Titus of Charlevoix. His siblings are Kyri Monel and Remi Catherine. His grandparents are Greg and Betty Martin of Charlevoix, Glenn and Kris Carrington of Grand Haven and Mark and Diane Titus of Coopersville.

PI ACCIDENT

Early Saturday morning around 1:30, Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputies, Charlevoix Twp. Fire and Charlevoix EMS responded to the area of Fourth St. and Lake St. in Norwood Township for a vehicle that struck a resident. When Deputies arrived they found the driver, 47 year old James Ehrche

Jr. of Paisley, Florida, still in the driver's seat. Ehrche was removed from the vehicle and transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital where he was treated and later released.

It appeared that Ehrche either blacked out or fell asleep behind the wheel while traveling south on Fourth St. The gold Oldsmobile Van failed to make the curve near Lake St. driving through one yard and then striking the resident at 585 Fourth St. The van went through two kitchen walls before coming to a rest. The home owners were home during the accident, but no one was injured. The accident is still under investigation and alcohol is not believed to be a factor in the crash.

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House on the Hill

New owners of the House on the Hill Bed and Breakfast Marcel and Phillip Palajac are welcomed to the community and East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at their recent Ribbon Cutting event sponsored by the Chamber. Shown are Marcel and Phillip cutting the ribbon surrounded by family, Chamber ambassadors, Village of Ellsworth and Banks Township, officials and Ellsworth School Board member.

Non-motorized path far from settled

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

In what one official described as a "perfect storm" of circumstances, a debate over the location of a proposed non-motorized trail continues to rile the waters in Charlevoix County.

More than 50 people turned out at Wednesday's Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners' meeting — most of them to voice their support for or opposition to a proposed non-motorized trail along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.

The large turnout prompted the board to move its meeting from its usual chambers to the 90th District Court room.

The first public comment portion of the meeting lasted nearly an hour, with comments on the proposed trail accounting for most of that time.

For several years, county planners and others have been laying the groundwork for a non-motorized trail along the main route between Boyne City and Charlevoix.

While the work had been plodding along slowly in the background, the proposal moved front and center when a county-wide road improvement millage passed last year moved up plans to reconstruct the badly deteriorated Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.

Trying to gain an economy of scale by doing trail work at the same time as road reconstruction work, county planners stepped up their efforts to obtain grant funding for the project.

The trail project hit a major bump earlier this year when property owners opposed to the trail along the route discovered that most of the road's right of way has a deed restriction that limits the road commission's use of the property to "highway uses only."

Not wanting to engage in a prolonged and expensive legal battle over the definition of "highway use" both the road commission and the county board of commissioners have backed away from the proposal to construct a trail that is separate

from the roadway and been more supportive of pursuing a widened shoulder option for bike lanes.

However, in recent weeks, the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce and others have pushed back, citing safety concerns, urging the commission to not abandon the separate trail plan.

The board also heard equally impassioned statements from property owners who are adamant that they don't want the trail going through their yards and will never grant an easement to do so.

Also on hand Wednesday was Charlevoix County Road Commission Manager Pat Harmon and a representative from Northwest Design Group updated the board on the status of plans for rebuilding the 2.74-mile section of road from Nelson Road to Sumner Road.

They reported that the estimated cost of rebuilding the road with two 12-foot wide lanes is about \$921,000 (to be paid from money collected from the

road millage).

To add two five-foot bike lanes on each side of the road would come at an estimated cost of an additional \$380,000. About \$228,000 of the widened lane costs could come from a state grant while the remaining \$152,000 would need to come from a local matching source.

Harmon said he's concerned about the time element involved in the debate. He said the road commission wants to begin reconstruction work on the road as soon as possible in the spring.

But in order to be considered for the grant that would fund about 60 percent of the cost of the widened shoulders, the application would need to be sent in within the next week. He said a delay would cause the county to have to wait until March to hear back on the grant which could delay the start of the entire project until fall.

The county commission did not take any action on this matter.

Path supporters are urged to:

- Sign the online Boyne City Road Bike Trail Petition <http://new.ipetitions.com/petition/biketrail/>
- Non-residents are also asked to opine
- Call your county commissioner and tell them how you feel.
- Send an e-mail to the county clerk's office and ask that it be forwarded to all commissioners — Borthsc@gov.charlevoixcounty.org
- Display an "I support a REAL bike path" sign in your store, office or car - click here and print PDF.
- Attend board of commissioner meetings at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. the first and the second and fourth Wednesdays at the County Building, 203 Antrim St., Charlevoix.
- For more information, call Jim Baumann at the Boyne City chamber of commerce at (231) 582-6222.

Couple celebrates Adoption Day

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

This November 21st marks the 10th anniversary of National Adoption Day. The day was set aside each year to celebrate adoptive families and finalize the adoptions of children from foster care. Since 2000, more than 25,000 children have had their adoptions finalized on National Adoption Day.

On November 21st, Heaven Sent Adoption Services, a Charlevoix based Christian adoption education and child placing agency, will host a "Get to know adoption" event at the Charlevoix Pub

Library. Experts will be on hand to present information on several topics including search and reunion, education for those experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, and an orientation for families hoping to adopt domestically or internationally.

For many families, getting started in the adoption process can be daunting. Shelia Davis, a referral coordinator with Heaven Sent Adoption Services, hopes the event will serve as a teaching tool.

"I think a common misconception of how long it takes to adopt a child is a really bad one," said Davis. "A lot of people think it will take longer than it actually

does. At most, it's about two years."

Davis says it may take longer for prospective parents who are looking to adopt an infant or a specific gender.

"Another factor is cost,"

See ADOPT, page 18



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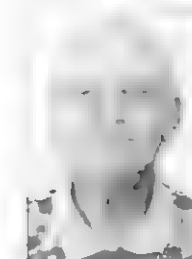
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EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

Autumn is surely the time for us to consider mortality. That is especially true for botanists, because while many animals just hunker down, migrate, fly south or even sleep for long periods, among the plants fall is immersed in the detritus (the dead and dying parts) of most of them.

The leaves from our deciduous trees are certainly the most spectacular reminders of fall and mortality, but even what we call

"evergreens" have been shedding bundles of last year's (not last summer's) leave or needles.

The trees are, of course, not dying, they are only discarding out-dated, outworn, no longer useful parts.

It is kind of like term limits for elected officials, or like retirement is for many of us.

Although you do not want to push that analogy too far, since the leaves are on their way to becoming humus or fertilizer, while we would hope that elected officials and most of the retired folks would be soldiering on in some new capacity.

Out in the forest, where leaves are not raked up and trucked away, it takes about 18 months for an ordinary leaf to become unrecognizable humus or fertilizer.

That process follows only a couple of months as food and oxygen factories while they were attached to their tree. The material in the leaves can be recycled dozens or even hundreds of times during the life of any single tree. Would that we could do as well with the old TV sets of refrigerators that we discard when they are no longer useful.

Every fall about this time I reread Ode to the West Wind by the poet Percy Shelley.

The first line is an attention-getter, especially for those of us who live near the Big Lake.

"O wild West Wind, thou breath of Autumn's being,"

While it is true that most of that wild west wind that now moves the leaves along their hectic path comes not from the skies but from gasoline-powered blowers, the leaves still flee.

To quote Shelly again, "Yellow, and black and pale and hectic red, Pestilence-stricken multitudes."

Whatever the motivation for the leaves, they still look like that and move, just as they did in the 17th century. So, read a little Shelly, think about your mortality and rake up those leaves. The last line of Shelley's poem is also worth repeating:

WEEKLY POLL

If your marriage was failing, would you seek help?

Therapy (19 Votes, 42%)

Church (14 Votes, 31%)

Friends (12 Votes, 27%)

This week's poll question:

If your support was cut back at your school, would you be upset?

Yes (10 Votes, 42%)

No (14 Votes, 58%)

Fiscal recession a marital mixed blessing



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwilt

Bailed out bankers are rewarding themselves with bonuses. The Dow has rallied and a feeble "Huzzah!" can be heard echoing all the way from Broadway to Park Place. Does this mean that we are back in the money? Is Daddy Warbucks gonna make it rain? Not in my neighborhood.

With an unprecedented number of American families still attempting to keep the home fires burning with the remnants of once-respectable IRAs and

college funds, a new reality has emerged.

No longer stunned by the unpeppable "What if..." the confounding question now seems to be "What next?"

Living alone and liking it (or not), has become the onus of many in these trying economic times.

As spouses stray farther and farther afield in search of sustainable income, one of the couple must usually remain aboard ship to keep the kids in line and insure salvage rights.

Once initial disbelief has been dispelled along with the bank account, action of some sort is called for.

Piqued by the rumor that Lumber R Us in Poughkeepsie is hiring, many families have opted to slice off a member and send them out to seek their fortune while their loved ones remain in the village.

This sort of fraying of the family unit is bound to have

an effect.

The children, of course, will suffer, but they will have decades to recover. They will be able to speak to their grandchildren with authority about the "recession" of aught-nine. Let us concentrate on those for whom the concept of marrying for love may have faded: The adults.

So, you have worked hard to secure a comfortable life for yourself and your family, only to watch it melted down for scrap.

Now what?

Let's look at the bright side: With your spouse doing God-knows-what God-knows-where, you will have the bed to yourself.

Sleeping in the middle on the resilient part of the mattress, surrounded by family pets, is a dream come true. Also, if the persistent pressures of your situation preclude sleep, you will be able to read in bed until

dawn without disturbing your partner, who has his/her own basement/attic apartment 1,500 miles away.

Mealtime will no longer be a time-consuming affair. Kids will eat anything and the easier it is to prepare, the better they like it.

Humdrum protein fortified by a box of Helper may be substituted for more sophisticated cuisine. It's nice to know that with your own helpmate otherwise occupied that at least something has the hamburger's back. You will also save on electric or gas bills by never using the oven.

Compromise-smompromise: At last! Not since the two weeks between snagging that useful degree in liberal arts and falling for the he-man/she-woman of your dreams has the floor been open to such decadent self-absorption.

You are the last word on any and all of the myriad details

concerning your daily life, responsibilities and social interactions.

Dying to try dreadlocks? Now is the time.

Wondering if you can run to the store in your pajamas? Who's to say that you shouldn't?

Hard cider and bridge mix for breakfast? Bon appetite. It is almost redundant to mention the unquestioned command of the TV remote.

As with any silver lining, there is also the cloud to consider: Most enter into relationships with people of whom they are rather fond and there is a tendency to pine for them in their absence.

This unproductive emotion may be dealt with by reminding oneself that, had the object of affection the foresight to amass a fortune or dabble in a recession-proof enterprise, you and he/she would be somewhere in the south of France. Even those

who didn't so much dabble as swindle, have managed to provide a legacy. Bernie Madoff may be sharing pizza and a cell with a drug dealer, but his wife, most assuredly, is not.

Blame is cathartic and effectively absolves one from all but the most forgivable sin of running with the wrong crowd.

In summation: While the strains of rejoicing may be audible from the mountain tops, many are still dancing solo while their significant others could, for all they know, be dating a cute redhead in another state.

This remains to be seen. But, in the meantime, let us address one more pertinent issue.

Can't reach the itchy spot on your back? This is one of the most agonizing aspects of the estimated stress syndrome. A plastic stick with a tiny claw on the end is not in the budget, a wooden salad fork works well.

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Going to the dogs, one meal at a time



THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

They say a man's home is his castle. When you think of "castle" you might imagine a knight in shimmering armor, a beautiful princess and as sorted gal-

we're at work.

Brother devil hounds Sam and Tolstoy turned a year old last week and the wife and daughter thought a birthday party with cake and hats was in order.

The dogs promptly ate the hats, but there would be no cake because the wife destroyed the stove.

It seems a burner was not plugged in all the way causing electricity to shoot to the ceiling and apparently fry the appliance.

From my office, I heard a loud pop followed shortly by the wife's screams, "Lightning! It shot lightning! Heeereeeen!"

Oh yeah, did I mention the wife has taken up cooking?

And, before you sensitive types recoil at my assessment of the wife's efforts, know this: I willingly and skilfully cooked every meal during the

first 15 years of our marriage. Now, common sense, lack of free time — and state fire code — have prevented my wife from cooking since we got together in 1994.

Out for eggs and juice some autumn morning while she made toast and fed our infant son, I returned to find them blissfully unaware of the coal-black column of smoke rising up the kitchen wall and pooling against the ceiling behind them.

But, now with no more college classes sucking up her nights, she is excited to finally have time to cook for her family every night.

She's excited.

Aren't you excited?

I'm so excited I can't stop crying.

So, for the last couple months its been pot roast a la Birkenstock — after six minutes of chewing, I stopped

looking for laces and buckles, tuna noodle surprise: Surprise! Guess who hates tuna noodle casserole?; and quite possibly my favorite BBLTs: that stands for black bacon, lettuce and tomato.

The twins, on the other hand find the wife's cooking simply divine. Of course, in their first year on the planet, they have eaten one-half of a severely overpriced leather recliner; four pairs of shoes, a cell phone, a tub of crayons, two television remotes, three

nylon dog collars — yes, they remove their collars and eat them — several blankets and pillows, two dead mice, two tubs of margarine, the wife's back massager, three feet of living room baseboard, nine stuffed animals, half a Barbie doll, one beer, approximately 13 pounds of acorns and six bushel baskets of pine cones, sundry flowers, insects, my

lemon cookies and my favorite Stephen King book.

Hesitant to rearm the wife with her instrument of destruction, the family had to eat.

With breakers and fuses looking fine, I scanned the countryside for a reasonably priced range. The wife nearly died of shame when I handed the stranger a \$10 bill for the old stove in the front yard.

"Oh my god," she said, covering her face. "It's not going to work."

It took about 10 minutes to drain the rainwater from the stove before hoisting it into the back of the van.

"It's not going to work," the wife cheered again.

The boys wrestled the stove into the house and plugged it in.

Nothing.

"I told you it wasn't going to work."

Well, with no microwave,

and too cheap to call an electrician, we splurged on a table top skillet to get us through.

Did you know slow-cooked spaghetti turns into paste? I didn't.

I don't demand gourmet. I just want something this side of edible, and after two bites of Italian glue, I broke down and made the call.

It cost \$60 for a real man to come in and change the bad fuse I missed.

Viola! The old stove worked.

The wife was so happy to have the magical cooking box back online she decided to celebrate by cooking Thanksgiving dinner.

Early, yes. But, she's never done it before and wanted a practice run before the real deal later this month.

Anyone with an empty seat at their dinner table can call me at 439-9309.

LETTERS to the editor

Boss' elves need your help
Editor:

Fall is here in Charlevoix, we're getting our yards and gardens ready for winter, having a last look at the Halloween Decorations, and thinking of Thanksgiving.

If you look in the stores they are already thinking Christmas.

The Charlevoix Community Christmas Project Committee is also getting ready for Christmas in Charlevoix.

A short history about this committee - it began as a spin-off of the Food Pantry in the early 1980s, and is under the Charlevoix Ministerial Association umbrella. We only operate for three months October, November and December.

We are a non-profit group and operate by donations only. Our only purpose is to see that all children in the Charlevoix School District have a Merry Christmas.

We furnish food for the family, plus clothes and gifts for the children. Last year we helped 240 families—429 children and 428 adults. We were able to do this with the generous help of the churches, business community, schools and other organizations and individuals of Charlevoix the Beautiful. It was truly the Golden Rule in action Neighbor helping neighbor.

If you are one of the many people needing help this year,

you can sign up from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday or Thursday at the Charlevoix Food Pantry, located in the basement of the Congregational Church.

As you prepare your homes and hearts for the Christmas Season, and as you celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ (the Greatest Gift we'll ever receive) won't you consider helping us.

If you see a Toys For Tots box please put something in it (don't forget teenager gifts). Or a sox box or mitten tree or the giving tree at St. Mary School or the angel tree at Christ Episcopal, please consider helping.

We also have families and children you can adopt (we furnish the food).

If you would be willing to help, please check with your church office, pastor, Food Pantry on Monday or Thursday mornings, or contact one of the ladies listed below.

Thank you for your help. May your days be merry and your Christmas bright.

Charlevoix Community Christmas Project Committee chair-people, Bev Boss, Rosemary Horton, Marty Eveleigh, Joan Balch, Carolyn Batdorf and Arlene Staley.

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The Rotary Club would like to thank program chair-

man Ben Muladore and High School Principal Suzanne Klinger for their work organizing this year's program. We would also like to thank the following community members that volunteered their time over the coming year to serve as mentors: Rich Randall, Paul Ivan, Chet Janik, Dean Spenceley, Ann Shindorf, John Kurtz, Leah Olson, Don Heise, Kay Heise, Ben Speigl, Nicole Smith, Dennis Van Guilder and

Kris Schaperkottor.

The Rotary Club of Charlevoix, affiliated with Rotary International, is a 41-member local service club that emphasizes service to area youth.

Mike Hinkle
President, Rotary Club of Charlevoix

Viper Toxin Erases Wrinkles

BEVERLY HILLS 6 Some are calling ViperX the greatest breakthrough in skin research since Botox. ViperX is a non-invasive cream which contains a synthetically similar ingredient to Waglerin 1, the peptide found in the venom of the Temple viper.

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Folks at Fright Night at the Castle



Kevin and Jen Haf (left) pose for a picture during the Friday Oct. 30 Fright Night at the Castle fundraiser for the Charlevoix Children's House.

DJ Ryan McConnell rocked the party all night long during the annual Fright Night at the Castle (right).



Photos by Carol Sullivan, Special to the Courier

The porky participant to the right, William Dryer, won the Fright Night at the Castle costume contest with his portrayal of the swine flu.



Pictured (at far right) Carol and Michael Sullivan, second and third from the right, pose with a group of friends during the Children's House fundraiser last Friday Oct. 30.

Courtesy photo

Abuse summit

Hoping to make child abuse a rarity, local and national experts will be holding a Community Leadership Summit on Abuse and Assault in Charlevoix.

You may register at 8 a.m. for the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. workshop on preventing abuse on Friday Nov. 13 at the Community Reformed Church at 100 Oak St.

The cost is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door.

Vieth will speak on ending child abuse in America.

The free event begins at 7 p.m. with a community presentation by Vieth.

The workshop continues at 8 a.m. on Nov. 14.

Contact Jason Wiser at (231) 432-8177 or Heidi Miller at (231) 459-5107.

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Kids for canines

All Jarema (from left) Mikaya Dixon, Malcolm Williams and Christopher Gregory, all Charlevoix Middle School fifth-graders, participated in a fundraiser walk-a-thon to benefit the Charlevoix Area Humane Society as part of Make a Difference Day. The walk-a-thon was made possible from a grant that Mrs. Novotny wrote through the Learn and Serve Grant. The 5th grade walkers raised over \$1,540 for the Charlevoix Area Humane Society.



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Historical dinner

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society's Annual Holiday Dinner and Program is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 16 at the Jordan Inn in downtown East Jordan, 226 Main St. Cost is \$25. Public welcome. Appetizers and cash bar begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Following dinner, Inn owner Jane Krumholz will conduct a tour. Make check payable to CCHPS and mail to 946 North Advance Road, Boyne City, MI 49712. Include your choice of entree: Select cut of beef or Chicken breast with blue cheese and white wine sauce.

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Rayder brains on TV

The CHS Quiz Bowl team recently competed on WCMU's Quiz Central game show. The episode will appear at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday Nov. 11, on WCMU Public Television. Pictured (front, from left) are Caroline Dupuis, Mathew Brown, Karinne Smolensky and Katie Maya. Back row (from left) are Quiz Central host Kurt Wilson, Haley Bills, Jonathan Kelly and coach Pete Scholten.

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Local veterans look back on service

BY TINA SUNDELIUS
SPECIAL TO THE
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World War Two was escalating and judging by the events being reported from Europe no one would have guessed it was so close to ending.

It was at this point in the war that 19-year-old Gus Schmidt was deployed to Belgium.

He found himself on the fringe, the left flank to be exact, of the soon to become famous Battle of the Bulge.

The battle was given that name by the English speaking general public because of the initial incursion that the German army put in the Allies' line of advance as seen on maps.



Schmidt

his arms and legs off.

Schmidt was platoon Sergeant with the 303 Combat Engineer Battalion, 78th Division.

He and a friend, Jack, who later became his brother-in-law, enlisted about the time Hitler started his last offensive.

After the Ardennes-Alsace Campaign, the battle's official name, Schmidt was then transferred to the Ruhr Valley Germany where his division succeeded in stopping the Germans from blowing up a dam and flooding the valley.

Here Schmidt barely made it into a foxhole in front of his buddy who was hit by enemy fire as he followed Schmidt in. By March of 1945 Schmidt and his division were among the first to cross the Ludendorff Bridge at Remagen.

The capture of the bridge led the way for Allied troops to drive into the heart of Germany.

Schmidt was in the service for 2 years, 10 months and 16 days yet he was a participant in three major campaigns that ended the German involvement in the war.

Schmidt was on a three day pass in Paris when Hitler surrendered less than a month after the victory at Remagen.

"It was a time of elation, said Schmidt, everyone was happy."

"There was a blue serviceman star in nearly every window; it was gold if the soldier had died. Said Schmidt it was a very different time than it is

today, there was much more recognition of the servicemen in World War II because it affected every home. It seemed like every home had someone in the service."

In 1923 Schmidt's parents immigrated to the Detroit area from Germany.

He was born 5 months after they arrived.

"After the war we were reasonably close to my parents home town (in Germany)," said Schmidt so I was able to visit an Aunt and an Uncle I had never seen."

"War is not about the hate of individuals but the hate of the leaders," he Schmidt.

"In the movie 'All Quiet on the Western Front', the original, actor Gregory Ratoff addressed his men and said 'The way to end all wars is to rope off an area put all the politicians in it in their underpants and let them go at it,' said Schmidt, who has seen nine wars in his lifetime.

John Peterson has always wondered if he was the recipient of a miracle.

Peterson didn't go to Vietnam like almost all of the soldiers of his generation did and for 16 years after he came home he refused to join the Veteran's Administration because he didn't think that he deserved it.

Peterson was sent to Korea as a Cryptographer. He coded and decoded messages between Vietnam

and the U.S.

"We called in the fire strikes, we called in the bombing raids. It was years and years before I saw the value in what I was doing," said Peterson, then it dawned on me that what I did was useful."

Peterson was drafted into the Army in 1968 and unlike most of his peers who were sent to Fort Knox, Ky., he was sent to Fort Dix, NJ.

In the middle of his training he was offered an opportunity to go to school for electronics if he enlisted for another year.

"I've been messing with Ham radio since I was a kid so when they offered electronics I jumped on it," he said.

After school Peterson was sent to a transfer station in Fort Louis, Washington where an amazing and still unexplained miracle changed the direction of his life.

"The transfer station was a huge empty room with desks

"I have no idea where the kid came from, how he found me among all those soldiers or why. It was pretty incredible."

JOHN PETERSON,
VIETNAM VETERAN

at one end and hundreds of soldiers sitting on duffel bags," Peterson said. "Out of the blue a young man comes up and asks, 'Are you Peterson?' I said 'yes' and he asked if I wanted to go to Vietnam. I said 'not particularly' and he told me to write Korea on my card and anywhere else I wanted to go. I thought maybe there was something to this. So I wrote Germany for my second choice."

He added, "I have no idea where the kid came from, how he found me among all those soldiers or why. It was pretty incredible."

When he got to Korea he worked in the Cryptograph vault coding and decoding messages.

"I fixed the computers. In the middle of fixing you have a lot of free time so I read most of the messages that came through and for the longest time none of it made sense they were just names," he said.

"Then I found out what the names were; it was a list of the dead, day after day, day after day, day after day."

Peterson added, "In the movie 'We Are Soldiers' Mel Gibson's wife takes on the job of delivering the telegraphs reporting the death of a soldier. It occurred to me when I watched the movie I'm the

burg, Germany and placed in the 24th infantry for 5 months.

"They came along (one day) and took my patches off and put new ones on, that's how the 1st infantry forward got out of Vietnam," said Peterson.

"The people themselves didn't actually leave; all they did was trade patches with me."

Peterson got out of the Army in 1971 and the war ended in 1975.

"I was pretty upset when I got out," said Peterson.

The misrepresentation that he witnessed still makes him

angry.

Peterson is the Vice President of Chapter 68 of the Vietnam Veterans.

They meet every Tuesday night, 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Petoskey. In honor of Veterans Day the Senior Center will be providing a free lunch to all veterans at noon on Nov. 11th and the Bible Baptist Church will be providing a full turkey dinner with all the trimmings at 5 p.m. at the VFW Hall on Bridge Street. All veterans, spouses and widows are welcome.



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Halloween in Charlevoix full of tricks, treats



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Grace Balasz (above) visits Joe Vogelheim's haunted house for Halloween last Saturday Oct. 31. The Bible Baptist Church hosted their third annual Fall Fun Festival Saturday night allowing cold trick or treaters warmth, food, fun and, most importantly, treats. The VFW Hall was transformed into a carnival gateway again this Oct. 31. The church provided goodies and games. Pictured are (left) Josie Cieslarczyk, 3, and his mother Nikki of Charlevoix wait in line at the fishing game. Caleb Pittman (at right) and Patrick Borris collect treats after playing the ring toss.

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'Photo op'

"Photo Op" is the Charlevoix Circle of Arts' first photography exhibition, opening with a public reception from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 6. There will also be all sorts of workshops, group photo, and critiques associated with this show. Kim Akins, of the "Spirit Horses" collection and fame will be providing a workshop on Nov. 7 and 8 on her "Winter Wilds" collection. Terry Salmonson of Aardvark Studio and Gallery will provide another workshop on Saturday Nov. 14. Terry, along with Mike Schlitt, of "Visions of Mike," are serving as judges of the juried exhibition. There are over 100 entries of varied subject matter and experience, with first, second and third place prizes being announced this Friday night. The featured artists include James Galbraith: "A Private Eye" containing the highlights of his career. Kim Akins is the Circle of Art's other featured artist. Pictured are (from left) Terry Salmonson, Heidi Dietrich and Mike Schlitt.



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Wreaths for Warmth

Leadership Little Traverse Class of 2010 has joined forces with Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency to assist the needy with heat this winter. "Wreaths for Warmth" is a seasonal fundraising project focused on providing assistance to local residents with heat-related emergencies. This project will help replenish the fund that assists with heating emergencies for individuals and families in Emmet, Charlevoix and Antrim counties. Wreaths cost \$30, swags cost \$15 and tea and mug gift sets cost \$25. Make a difference today by calling (231) 347-9070 extension 1104 to purchase a wreath, swag, mug gift set, or to make a donation. Pictured are Brandi Wolf, NMCAA Community Service Representative (right), discusses ways to support the "Wreaths for Warmth" efforts this year, with a local community member.

Norwood wind ordinance hearing set



BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles on wind turbines.

Norwood Township officials want to hear your thoughts and concerns on the potential for wind turbines around the village.

Cited by the State of Michigan as one of the top potential spots for wind turbines, Norwood is faced with creating rules and regulations on the 500-foot generators.

"We're probably one of the hot test places in the state because we carry both criteria: wind and infrastructure," said Norwood Township Supervisor Frank Hamilton.

According to Norwood resident Annie Doyle who also heads the township's commercial wind turbine committee, the public hearing will include an informational

session.

"We just want people to know the facts," she said. "I just want everybody to be aware of the issues and then make educated decisions based on that because this is such a big thing coming into our community."

Township officials are currently working on a draft ordinance which would address the height, setback, operation, installation and removal of wind turbine generators.

And, while there is nothing concrete as of yet, Hamilton said the township is hoping no one will choose to erect a turbine on the west side of US 31 in order to preserve what he called a "view corridor."

The township's master plan will have to be altered to allow in-

dustrial uses of agricultural land," Hamilton said.

"The state could come in and mandate how we deal with these things, we can't say we refuse," he said. "So, we're being proactive instead of waiting for the state to come in and make the decision for us."

Neither Hamilton or Doyle would give their personal opinions on wind turbines, but were able to cite some specific good and bad points about the machines.

Doyle said possible negatives from wind turbines may include annoying noise levels, shadow flicker which causes a strobe light effect when the sun is sitting low enough in the sky to cast a shadow on the other side of the turbine blades, the potential for the blades to fling ice, and a change in bird

migratory patterns.

Hamilton said positives of wind turbines are several, including giving farmers a way to make a little extra money off their land without seriously impacting the property; the construction costs and incidental influx of workers and purchases in nearby towns during construction; the purchase of raw materials from local sources; and supporting renewable energy.

The public hearing is set for 7 p.m. on Dec. 2 at Charlevoix Public Library.

Next week's article will deal with Norwood's draft wind turbine ordinance.

The Norwood Township Committee on commercial wind turbines visited several cities in the mid-Michigan area which are currently constructing wind turbines or already have experience with them. Here, a several-hundred-foot wind turbine is under construction. A public hearing on Norwood's proposed wind turbine ordinance is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Dec. 2 at the Charlevoix Public Library. This is the first in a series of articles on wind turbines and Norwood's draft ordinance.

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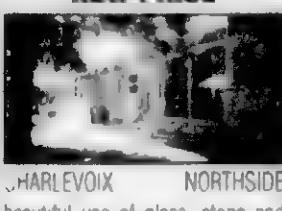
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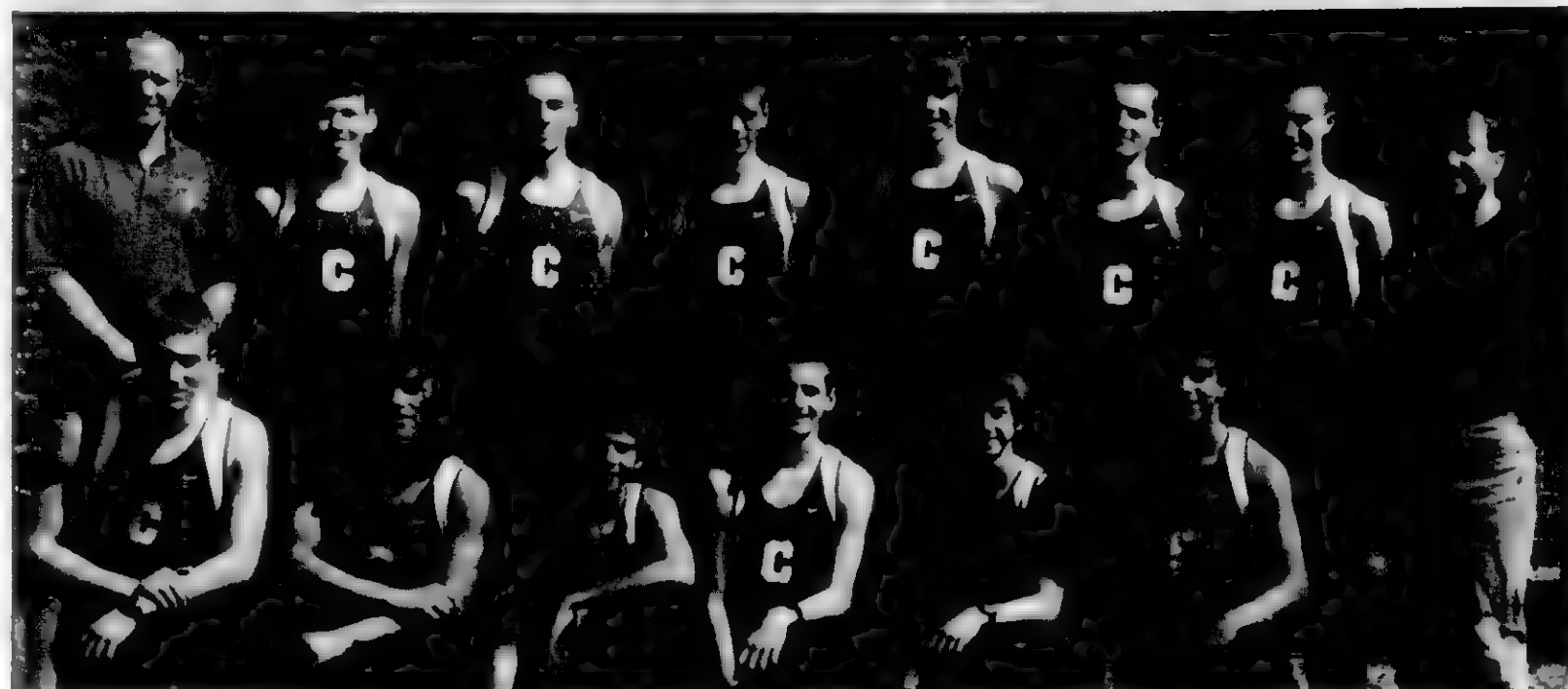
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The 2009 Charlevoix Rayder varsity boys' cross country team consists of (back, from left) coach Ken Plude, Mat Brown, Ace Edick, Will Jeakle, Brian Shuttler, Eric Buday, Andrew Plude, assistant coach Pat Rajewski, missing is John Kelly, (front, from left) Doug Reynolds, Nell Salisbury, Tyler Whitley, Vinnie VonLaw, Alex Gooch and Kirk Acharya.

FILE PHOTO

Charlevoix boys headed for Michigan International Speedway

Considering what they have had to overcome, it was not a bad day for the Charlevoix High School cross country teams.

Not a bad day indeed. The Rayder boys finished third to qualify for the state finals, while the Rayder girls placed fourth, missing out on qualifying for a trip to Michigan International Speedway by seven points Saturday in the Division III regional at Benzie Central High School.

Charlevoix's Molly Jeakle placed 10th in the girls' race to earn a trip to the state finals as an individual.

Both Rayder squads went into the regional on the tail end of a long battle with illness.

"We ran really well considering the sicknesses," Charlevoix boys' coach Ken Plude said.

"We did very well considering that. Our top four were healthy. (Alex) Gooch, who is our fifth man, that was his first race back and he got within 17 seconds of his personal best. Can't argue with that."

Benzie Central swept the team titles. The Huskie boys, ranked third in the state coaches poll, finished with 35 points, while Mason County Central, 59; was second, and the Rayders finished with 65.

The Benzie girls, also ranked third, finished with 27 points to easily outdistance runner-up Kingsley, 89. Leroy Pine River, 102, was third, while the Rayders finished fourth with 109.

Charlevoix's Eric Buday placed second in the boys' race in 16 minutes, 44 seconds. Blake Allison of Harrison won

in 15:54. Benzie Central placed five runners in the top 11.

Charlevoix's Kirk Acharya was 10th, 17:22; followed by teammates Andrew Plude, 12th, 17:24; Neil Salisbury, 16th, 17:40; Gooch, 26th, 18:34; Jon Kelly, 42nd, 19:34; and Vinnie VonLaw, 58th, 20:08. Buday, Acharya and Andrew Plude earned all-region honors for placing in the top 15.

"We thought maybe we could get Mason County, but we're just happy to be going (to state)," Ken Plude said. "Hopefully that extra week will give us a chance to get healthy enough to see what we can do."

East Jordan's Luke Hawley placed 35th in the boys' race in 19:03, while teammate Rob Nemecek was 59th, 20:17. Boyne City's Jon Calo placed

70th in 21:54.

Brittany Anderson of Pine River won the girls' race in 19:14, while Jeakle led Charlevoix with her 10th-place finish in 20:40. Jeakle, one of six sophomores in coach Mary Plude's lineup, earned all-region honors.

Also for the Rayders, Hilary Way placed 18th in 21:32, Lauren Bartling was 22nd in 22:04, senior Krista Pischner was 28th in 22:26, Anne Dipert was 31st in 22:35, Stirling Wittboef placed 34th in 22:45, and Jane Balasz was 67th in 25:35.

"It was by far our best race of the season," Rayder coach Mary Plude said. "We started at the beginning of October and it seemed like I was dropping one (runner) every five days (to illness). It just seemed to spread

itself out. I never had the top seven (all together) since the end of September."

"It was fantastic. They did everything from start to finish exactly as they should as a team. Awesome to coach them, watch them. I probably had a half dozen coaches say what a fantastic race that was."

"A state berth would have been nice icing on the cake, but I have six of them coming back. You have your tears and then you realize we did everything we could. We scared a few teams. They were pretty shocked at the way we ran. I think that's a pretty high compliment for the girls to be able to that without the races before (the regional) as a team."

Pischner performed exceptionally well, Mary Plude said. "She ran a fantastic race in the last race of her senior year," she said.

For Boyne City, Elizabeth Hofweber placed 60th, Meghan Hull was 61st, Mackenzie Macksey was 64th, Laci Hofweber placed 69th, Katie Mackenzie was 71st, Alexis Willford placed 72nd, and Sarah Hofford was 76th.

East Jordan's Elissa Weerstra placed 70th, and Ellie Hague finished 77th.

Helmstrom scored Charlevoix's second TD on a 41-yard run midway through the third quarter. Hosper finished with 149 yards on 12 carries, while Alex Foster was Charlevoix's top pass catcher with 78 yards on eight receptions.

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"He played on a partially torn MCL the last two games. He had a great game for playing on one leg. I was really happy to see him perform that well."

J.T. Lawrence had three catches for 50 yards for the Rayders and led the defense along with Ian Gauthier as both made seven tackles. Lawrence also had an interception. Foster and Helmstrom made six tackles apiece.

The loss ended the careers of several Rayder seniors, including two-way lineman Bill Ivan, who has signed with Indiana, Mitchell and Foster.

"That group of seniors, a lot of those kids were up (on the varsity) as sophomores and they've done a great job of leading the program," Jess said. "Foster, Ivan and Mitchell did a great job of leading the program. Clayton is one of the best leaders I've ever been around."

Calumet rushed for 365 yards and all seven of its touchdowns came on the ground Friday as the Copper Kings ended Charlevoix's season with a 54-13 win.

Ben Steber rushed for 129 yards and scored three TDs on nine carries to lead Calumet, 9-1, which led 38-7 at halftime. The Copper Kings advance to play Boyne City or Iron Mountain for the district championship.

Charlevoix, which was making its fourth playoff appearance in the last five years, found itself in a 14-0 first-quarter hole, but drew to 14-7 when Isaac Hosper capped a nine-play, 79-yard drive with a 26-yard TD run.

After holding the Copper Kings to a three-and-out, the Rayders appeared to be building momentum when Calumet's Isaac Bjorn, one of the Upper Peninsula's top players, hit Charlevoix quarterback Clayton Mitchell as Mitchell was throwing a pass. It resulted in a Chris Coy interception that he returned to Charlevoix's 10-yard line.

One play later, Steber scored to extend Calumet's lead to 21-7.

Stymied on the ground early on, the Rayders were forced to the air. Clayton Mitchell and Casey Helmstrom combined to throw for 164 yards, but the Rayders completed only 13 of 36 throws, and five of their pass attempts were batted down at the line.

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Mountain... Josh Pender scored on runs of 5 and 35 yards for Iron Mountain, while Jayne finished with 109 yards on 10 carries.

The Ramblers were playing without starting quarterback/safety Nick Young, who was injured in their loss to Grayling in their regular-season finale.

"It did change the flow of our offense," Nohel said. "We had to shift some people around and we couldn't get a good rhythm. We just couldn't move the ball with any consistency. Frustrating day on the offensive side of the ball. The kids played hard, we just didn't execute very well. They played better football than we did."

"This last game, in retrospect, I think we're capable of playing better football than we did. It wasn't from a lack of effort on the kids' part."

Boys City could muster just 65 yards on the ground. Drew Nohel was the Ramblers' top rusher with 40 yards.

Evan Orban led Boys City's defense with eight tackles and two interceptions. Drew Nohel also had an interception, and Beau Furik recovered a fumble. The Ramblers were making their ninth straight playoff ap-

pearance. "The kids played hard all year, they worked hard all year, I think we improved as a football team," coach Nohel said. "I'm very happy with the kids in how they performed and how they worked toward getting better all the time. I think we learned some valuable lessons and did a lot of positive things toward the ultimate goal, which is learning things they can use down the road."

"I told them yesterday I did the best job I could for them and I think they did for me to."

Central Lake-Ellsworth MANISTEE — Nick Kolanowski's third touchdown of the game in the second overtime was the difference Friday as Manistee Catholic Central ended Central Lake-Ellsworth's season with a 28-22 double-overtime victory in a Division 8 pre-district game.

Manistee CC, 8-1, advances to the district title game against Frankfort, 8-2. The Trojans, in the playoffs for the fifth straight year, finished 6-4.

Adam Folsom rushed for 95 yards on 15 carries to lead Central Lake-Ellsworth, while quarterback Ian Beal completed 7-of-15 passes for two touchdowns.

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Adoption gives hope for parents-to-be

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explained Davis. "Heaven Sent is a non-profit agency, it's a sort of ministry to me so it's not about how big I can get. Our adoptions range between \$10,000 - \$15,000 completed."

Davis also hopes to enlighten parents about open adoption.

"A lot of parents feel like open adoption is like co-parenting," said Davis. "But it's just an open line of communication by phone, e-mail, or letters with the birth parent. It's sharing life with the person who gave birth to the child."

Amanda and Jeff Bruney of Petoskey admit they were daunted by the adoption process when they first decided to expand their family. The couple adopted their 15-month old daughter Mya in July of 2008 with the help of Heaven Sent Adoption Services.

"The adoption process is

much easier than I thought it would be," said Amanda. "I think a lot of people want biological children, but I wouldn't trade her for anything. Once we had her, it didn't matter she wasn't biologically ours."

The Brunneys say they are a one in a million kind of story.

After about 5 years of unsuccessfully trying to have children, the Brunneys started looking at adoption. They started working with Heaven Sent Adoption Services in April of 2008 and were approved in June.

"In July, we got a phone call saying there was a baby born and that we fit the profile," said Jeff. "We said we wanted to take the opportunity."

By 5 p.m. that afternoon, the Brunneys were informed that they were one of two couples that were being considered for the adoption.

"At 10 o'clock that night we got a phone call. They told us to pack our bags because we're going to be par-

ents," said Amanda.

The Brunneys drove to Indiana to meet their newborn daughter and her birth mother and family.

"We really hit it off with the birth mother and the family, they seemed like close friends," explained Jeff. "She asked us some questions and after a few hours she signed the papers."

The Brunneys spent the next week in Indiana, waiting for everything to be finalized. "We're a pretty rare case, we didn't wait too long," said Jeff.

"Since we didn't know if we'd end up with a boy or a girl, we didn't have anything ready," added Amanda. "When we got a call saying we were parents, all we had was a rocking horse."

The Brunneys made the choice to stay in contact with Mya's birth mother.

"She wanted some pictures, and I'm more than happy to do that," said Amanda. "I e-mail her every couple months and we do have a relationship going."

Amanda plans to keep those e-mails and information about Mya's birth mother to give to Mya as she gets older.

"This isn't a secret that she's adopted," added Jeff. "So to have that kind of contact with her will show Mya that her birth mom did care about her, it just wasn't the right time in her life."

The Brunneys hope their story will inspire others who are considering adoption to take that first step.

"Since this has taken place, people that I haven't talked to in years want to know about the process," said Amanda. "Heaven Sent made it easy, one step at a time."

Heaven Sent Adoption Services will host their informative event on November 21st from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Charlevoix Public Library's Trustees Room. For more information about Heaven Sent Adoption Services or about National Adoption Month, contact Heaven Sent Adoption Services at www.heavensentadopt.com.



PHOTO BY RACHEL BROUGHAM

Pictured are adoptive parents Amanda (left) and Jeff Bruney with their daughter, 15-month-old Mya.

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Island flight bids stirring competition

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

For the first time in history, the Beaver Island School board is reviewing bids from two local companies for air service — to and from the island.

In late October, Island Airways and Fresh Air Aviation, both of Charlevoix, submitted bids to supply three years of service to Beaver Island Community School for roughly \$35,000, which is set aside by the school each year for air travel.

"The bid is for three different segments of travel," said Rachel Teague, the general manager for Fresh Air Aviation in Charlevoix. "The three segments are athletic travel, freight, and regular travel between Beaver Island and Charlevoix."

This is the first time Fresh Air Aviation has been involved in bidding for the service since

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they went into business three years ago.

For the last 65 years, Island Airways has been servicing Beaver Island Community School.

The largest segment in the bid is for athletic travel. The school district wants to be able to transport 27 people at a time to events in places such as Mackinac Island and Paradise for sporting events.

Teague expressed concern that the bid for the athletic travel segment by Island Airways was

out of line with what they would charge regular customers for the same trip.

"Island Airways has greatly increased their pricing for the school sport trips which is the largest portion of the contract," said Teague. "It appears that the prices Island Airways proposed for the school sport trips greatly exceeds what they would charge a normal customer for a charter to the same location."

Angela Welke, co-owner of Island Airways, said the bid was complicated but their pricing

for the athletic segment was at a discounted rate.

"We looked at all the destinations the school provided and used our computer program to price out charters," said Welke. "We took what the typical price was and used a 15-percent discount for the bid. We also said that, if we were awarded all three segments, we would offer a 25-percent discount."

Beaver Island Community School superintendent Kathleen McNamara said neither of the bids seemed out of line in terms of cost.

"Right now, a committee is reviewing the two bids for air service," said McNamara. "Discussion on the bids will be taken up at the Nov. 9 school board meeting."

McNamara was unsure whether a vote will be made at the 7:30 p.m. meeting.

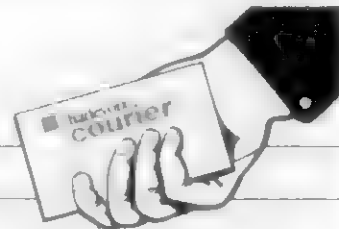


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Business after hours in East Jordan



The Lumberjack Bar and Grill was nearly full of East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce members during the Wednesday Oct. 28 Business After Hours event co-hosted by the Little Traverse Association of Home Builders. Pictured at right are members (front, from left) chamber director Mary Facula and Lindsey Bassett, (back, from left) Lumberjack owner Bob Hughey, president of the Little Traverse Association of Home Builders Doug Byron and Denise Hughey, Bob's wife and co-owner of the Lumberjack.



Mike Stark, holding his son Levi, (above) talked about his company Stark Realty which is headquartered in East Jordan. During the October East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours, Dave Smith of (left) Madigan/Pingatore Insurance spoke on the benefits of belonging to the evening's co-sponsor the Little Traverse Association of Home Builders which covers Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego Counties.



Dennis Kusina (left), a Charlevoix City Councilman and local business owner, introduces himself during the Oct. 28 East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours at the Lumberjack Bar and Grill in East Jordan.



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What Should You Do with 401(k) after a Layoff?

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor



As you're no doubt aware, the long and deep recession has resulted in the highest unemployment rate in decades. But if you've been laid off, or if you fear a layoff may soon be coming, you're less interested in statistics than in your immediate financial future. How will you get by until you land a new job?

This is a scary question, of course. And it can cause you to look at all your available financial resources—including your 401(k), which may well be the largest single financial resource you have.

But before you cash out your 401(k), make sure you understand what's involved. Your former employer is required to withhold 20% of your account balance to prepay federal taxes. Also, all your 401(k) proceeds will be taxed as

ordinary income. And if you're under age 59½ when you liquidate your 401(k), you may also be subject to a 10 percent penalty. And worst of all, the money may not be available to you when you retire.

Obviously, if you have no other financial resources, you may have no choice but to tap into your 401(k) plan. However, if you can find an alternative way to tide yourself over until you're working again, you may be better off in the long run by not cashing in your plan.

If you decide against the "cash-out" option, what can you do with your 401(k)? Here are two possibilities:

- Keep the money in your former employer's plan. If your former employer permits it, you may be able to leave your money in your 401(k). You won't have to pay any immediate taxes, and your money can continue to grow tax deferred. But you may no longer be able to add funds to your account.

- Roll your money over to an IRA. If you roll over your 401(k) assets to an

IRA, you'll avoid paying immediate taxes, and your money can continue to grow tax deferred. Furthermore, you can fund your IRA with many types of investments, as opposed to a 401(k), which may offer only a handful of choices. And when you can afford it, you can make additional contributions to your IRA. Also, when you retire, you may find that an IRA gives you more flexibility in making withdrawals than a 401(k).

While there are some clear benefits to keeping your 401(k) with your former employer or moving it to an IRA, neither choice helps you answer the question of how you'll make it, financially speaking, until you're working again. If you've built up a cash cushion in the preceding years, you can turn to it now, of course. And if you've created an investment portfolio outside your 401(k), take a close look at it. You can consider adjusting your investment mix to add more income-producing investments, if appropriate. Keep in mind that your portfolio should

reflect your risk tolerance, long-term goals and time horizon.

A layoff is never easy—and it can force you to make some tough choices. But if you can help protect your 401(k) today, you'll be helping yourself tomorrow.

— This article was written by Edward Jones for use by Benjamin Muladore, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones located at 702 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. He can be reached at 547-2166 or email at ben.muladore@edwardjones.com.

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin Freel a married man and Kenneth Symoniak a married woman, Katie Freel a married woman and Alice Symoniak a married woman, original mortgage(s) to Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 4, 2002, and recorded on November 12, 2005 in Liber 777 on Page 486, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fifth Third Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Four Thousand Thirty-Eight And 94/100 Dollars (\$74,038.94), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 4, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, City of East Jordan, beginning at a point distant 153.00 feet South and 500 feet North 89 degrees 45 minutes East from the Northwest corner of Section 24 and extending North 89 degrees 45 minutes East 100.00 feet; thence South 133.79 feet; thence South 51 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds West 127.31 feet; thence North 212.14 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on November 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 200.00 feet of the South 400.00 feet of the following described parcel of land, described as beginning at an iron stake at the Easternmost corner of Lot 4; Block 2, Gager's Addition to Boyne Falls, according to the recorded Plat thereof; thence Northeastly along the Northwesterly line of the County Road 66.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 76 degrees 15 minutes West 89.62 feet; thence North 13 degrees 45 minutes East 622.97 feet to the Southwesterly line of the Boyne Valley cemetery; thence South 76 degrees 15 minutes East along said Southwesterly line of said cemetery to the Northwesterly line of said County Road, thence Southwesterly along said road line to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 5 West.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on November 20, 2009.

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MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven A. Hmaizried and Julie G. Schmalzried, Husband and Wife by Julie G. Schmalzried His Attorney in Fact, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 25, 2005, and recorded on October 31, 2005 in Liber 713 on Page 545, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Five And 31/100 Dollars (\$80,635.21) including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 a.m. on November 20, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 4 and 5, Block "B", John R. Vance's Addition to the Village of South Arm (now city of East Jordan) according to the plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 21, 2009.

For more information, please call: F.C. R. (248) 593-1305; Trotter & Trotter, P.C. Attorneys for Service, 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525. File #2009151101.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Case No. 08-0397-22-CH. Notice of judicial Foreclosure Sale on a Consent Judgment for Foreclosure and Other Relief Against Defendants Thomas C. Miller and Denise M. Miller.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the terms of a Consent Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, signed and filed on September 14, 2009, in the case of North Star Builders, Inc., et al., Plaintiffs v. Delta Acquisitions LLC, et al., Defendants, Case No. 08-0397-22-CH, wherein, among other things, the Court allowed the foreclosure of a mortgage granted by Thomas C. Miller and Denise M. Miller to Marfax Corporation on May 8, 2006 and recorded May 16, 2006 in Liber 746, Pages 816 through 825, Charlevoix County Records, and which was amended on March 22, 2007 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix, and State

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of Michigan, on April 2, 2007 in Liber 797, Pages 722 through 724, Charlevoix County Records in an attempt to satisfy a monetary judgment in the amount of \$405,648.85 against those mortgagors, jointly and severally, through the date of first publication of this Notice, mortgaged premises shall be sold at a public auction by or under the direction of Clerk/Sheriff for the County of Charlevoix to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720 on Friday, December 4, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. local time, the following described "Premises":

UNIT 9, THE WILLOWS (PROPOSED).

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 18, Town 34 North, Range 7 West; thence along the West line of said section, North 00°06'27" West 97.71 feet (recorded as North 00°02'53" West 96.95 feet) to a concrete monument on the Northwestern line of Highway U.S. 31, thence along said highway line, North 57°19'07" East (recorded as North 57°19'12" East) 1589.72 feet, thence South 00°19'19" East 147.98 feet to the construction centerline of said highway; thence along said centerline, North 57°19'07" East 864.70 feet to the Southern extension of easement described in Liber 264, Page 491, Charlevoix County Records; thence along the centerline of the aforementioned easement and Southern extension thereof, North 02°12'10" West (recorded as North 02°08'49" West) 145.04 feet to the Northwestern line of said highway; thence along the centerline of said easement, North 02°12'09" West 42.16 feet (recorded as North 02°08'49" West 41.56 feet); thence continuing along the last described course, North 00°13'50" West (recorded as North 00°10'30" West) 958.29 feet, thence South 89°26'28" West 413.80 feet, thence South 44°07'15" West 88.73 feet; thence along the arc of a curve to the right 131.95 feet (radius of said curve is 280.00 feet, the central angle is 37°00'01", and the chord bears South 26°23'24" East 130.73 feet), being the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing along arc of the last mentioned curve to the right 86.51 feet (radius of said curve is 280.00 feet, the central angle is 03°48'31", and the chord bears South 10°59'09" East 18.61 feet); thence along the arc of a curve to the left 42.52 feet (radius of said curve is 220.00 feet, the central angle is 11°04'23", and the chord bears South 14°37'05" East 42.45 feet); thence South 69°50'08" West 150.00 feet; thence along the arc of a curve to the right 63.46 feet (radius of said curve is 370.00 feet, the central angle is 09°49'39", and the chord bears North 15°14'42" West 63.39 feet); thence North 70°47'27" East 151.66 feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 18, Town 34 North, Range 7 West.

Tax Code No. 15-007-118-011-20. The Premises, whose address is 11325 Stonebridge Drive, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, also include all right, title and interests held by Thomas C. Miller and Denise M. Miller as of May 6, 2006 in the Premises.

The Premises may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the date of sale.

Date: October 8, 2009.

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Bingo games are held from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. each Saturday at the Boyne City American Legion at 302 South Lake St. Play 39 games with 51 bingo games. Call 582-7811 for more information.

Games include traditional pick your own hard cards, paper specials and a Michigan progressive jackpot.

Smoke-free and smoking area, as well as concessions are available.

FIRST LIGHT WORSHIP

First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.

in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall. This is a great time to make new friends while coming together to worship Jesus in an informal atmosphere.

For more information you can call the church office at (231) 547-9122.

JEEP CLUB

Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mhbennett@foxmotors.com. There is no cost to join.

LADIES SWIM

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim is from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Siteman at 547-5190 for more information.

EXHIBIT

Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays through the end of the year except for Christmas and Thanksgiving. The side office door facing the bank is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Phone 547-4033 or go to www.chxhistory.com for more information.

FREE LUNCH

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Hurbit St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

CHARLEVOIX SKATEPARK

The skatepark is closed. Skateboarding will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcerski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

FOUR FIRES NATIVE TALKING CIRCLE

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome... do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

Fibromyalgia support group

meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne Dufont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAILING CLUB
A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

SOS FOOD BANK
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The canned meats, dry beans, soups, pasta, peanut butter, tuna and like items will go to hungry families through the Food Bank Council of Michigan regional food banks.

Donations may also be made online to Harvest Gathering's "Fill Michigan's Fridge" food drive at www.feedmichigan.org.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

• Story Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on

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COURTESY PHOTO

Gracious girl

Hannah Solomon, age 8 from Charlevoix recently had her hair cut to donate to Locks of Love, an organization which helps cancer patients deal with hair loss during chemotherapy with wigs. Solomon's hair was cut at J. Marie Salon in Charlevoix by Holly Vincent.

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Wednesdays for all writers.

• Ask the Tech Guy, 10 a.m. to noon, Nov. 5: Bring your laptop and ask questions of the library's tech guy Roger Gowell.

• Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 9: Learn to keep you and your computer safe online.

• Booktalkers: Real Life and Liar by Kristina Riggle, 6 p.m., Nov. 9: book discussion.

• Shopping Online: How to find the deals, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11: Get your holiday shopping started using online tools and Web sites.

• Titanic: The Perfect Disaster, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 12: Join speaker David Kaplan, Titanic Historian and Retired Teacher, to learn about the events that led up to building of the ship and how the fateful night unfolded.

• Gone with My Sight, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Nov. 17: The biggest fear of watching someone die is fear of the unknown; not knowing what dying will be like or when death will actually occur. Barbara Kames, author and award winning Hospice Nurse, explains in a simple, gentle yet direct manner the process of dying from disease.

• Where the Wild Things Are Party, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 21: Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading of Where the Wild Things Are and come play games, make crafts and have a wild time.

• Handling the Holidays, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 23: Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holiday season. Bereavement counselors will address your grief to help make your holidays and special occasions brighter.

CCA

Various events are scheduled. Charlevoix Community Arts Center, 100 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

• 10 a.m. to noon - Terry Salmonson's photo class - Nov. 7. Call 547-3554 for details.

• Nov. 14 Kim-Akins photo workshop. Call for details.

• 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Marcie Vargas holds a five-week writers' workshop on Nov. 11, 18, and Dec. 2, 9 and 16. Cost is \$30. Bring a notebook and writing utensil.

CCA photo exhibit. The opening reception will be on Friday, November 6.

For more information, call Heidi Dietrich at (231) 373-6033 or HeidiDietrich@gmail.com or go to www.charlevoixcircle.org.

The circle is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Call 547-3554 for more information on the circle and its programs.

NOW THROUGH NOV. 11

Computer classes. Fall computer classes at the Charlevoix Public Library start off with a flurry. Computer Basics, for people new to computing, starts at the absolute beginning, students will learn basic terminology, how to use a mouse, and how to search the Internet.

Managing Your Computer is offered to assist with basic desk top organization and file storage, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 23.

November offers safety tips and shopping. Play it Safe Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 9, will teach you how keep your computer and children safe online.

Shopping Online, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 11, will teach the attendees how to find good deals for holiday shopping.

All computer classes are held in the library's computer lab, 220 West Clinton St.

Register by calling 237-7340. Go to www.charlevoixlibrary.org for information about these or other library programs.

BOOKS DRIVE

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Nov. 16 at East Jordan High School, 204 North Maple St.

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19 at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

NOV. 4

Historical Society spaghetti fundraiser.

The Charlevoix Historical Society's annual fundraising all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner will take place from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Villager Pub, 427 Bridge St.

All proceeds from the spaghetti portion of the menu, plus all tips, go toward support of the Society.

Society members will serve as wait staff.

The event is non-smoking.

Call 547-0373 for more information.

NOV. 5

Hospice Month.

The Holidays can be a difficult time for those who have experienced a loss. Grief specialists can help with suggestions for how you can handle the holidays in its "Handling the Holidays" workshop. The workshop will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Charlevoix Area Hospital in the large classroom on the lower level. This program is open to anyone who feels a need for help to get through the holidays.

NOV. 6



COURTESY PHOTO

The \$10,000 women

The Women's Club recently donated \$10,000 to the Community Free Clinic in Petoskey; the funds were raised at the Aug. 12 Speakeasy Gala held at Castle Farms which featured the Dixieland music of the Dutch Dixies. Presenting the check at the Oct. 14 meeting were (from left) Irene Schimmel, gala volunteer; Carolyn Whittle, club president; Noreen Tarquini, Gala co-chairperson; Jan Garber, representing the clinic; and Kathy Bremmeyr, gala co-chairperson.

Volunteer connections

Does your non-profit agency need more volunteers? Char-Em United Way's Volunteer Connections is an online, virtual volunteer center that allows agencies and community members to come together and match their needs, skills, knowledge, and passion. Volunteer Connections will benefit your agency by engaging more volunteers thus expanding your resources.

Non-profit agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet counties are invited to attend an orientation to the online software at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6.

Interested agencies should contact the United Way office at (231) 487-1006 or e-mail Sarah Cleary, AmeriCorps VISTA at sarah@charemunitiedway.org. Sign up soon, registration is required and space is limited.

NOV. 7

Mom to Mom sale. Sign up now to be a vendor at Charlevoix's 10th Annual "Mom to Mom & Everything Else Sale."

from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, Nov. at the Charlevoix Middle School, May Street entrance.

Over 20 vendors selling very gently used infant through adults clothes, toys, books, bikes, furniture and more.

A \$2 admission fee for adults 18 and older and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Charlevoix Middle School. For more information, call Beth Martin at 547-1768.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

From 10 a.m. to noon on Nov. 7 at the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene you may place your order for low-cost groceries. Anyone may participate regardless of income.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Mr. Stutzman goes to Washington

Northwest Academy is hosting an evening of music and fine dining at the Argonne Supper Club to help pay for their trip to Washington D.C. The evening, scheduled from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Nov. 12, costs \$25 per person and will include a complete shrimp, steak, rib or chicken dinner with entertainment from local favorites including Chris Martin and Maggie Dixon.

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nabelle Road" will play. Tickets cost \$10; children 6 and younger get in for free. Call 237-4280 for more information.

NOV. 10

Evening Garden Club. The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club's next monthly meeting is 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at Marvin's Gardens, 06625 M-66 call 547-5199 or 547-3091 for more information.

NOV. 20

Co-ed volleyball. Co-ed volleyball teams are forming. Forms are available at the recreation department in the lower level in Charlevoix City Hall.

Forms due by Friday, Nov. 20. Games will begin the week of Nov. 30. Call 547-3253 for more.

NOV. 21

Snow sport equipment sale. New and used ski and snowboard sale, including equipment, clothing, helmets, boots, boards and skis.

The sale is Saturday and Sunday, November 21 and 22 at Mt. McSaulhu.

More details to follow.

ADOPTION INFORMATION

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 21, there will be a "Get to know adoption" event with information

on all aspects of the practice. Call 237-9880 for more information.

DEC. 5

St. Mary craft show. Call 547-9441 to reserve your booth.

Sale on snow sporting goods. There will be a ski and snowboard sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21 and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 22. Boots, boards, skis, clothing and season passes will be up for sale at Mt. McSaulhu.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I.

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II.

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III. The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one-half mile south of Kmart.

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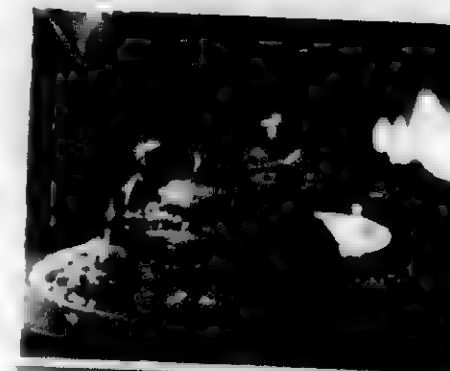
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Good-bye, coach Doty

BY STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

Ken Doty, a well-known Northern Michigan high school basketball coach, former basketball official and county building official, died Tuesday after a three-year battle with cancer.

Doty, for whom the East Jordan community rallied with a home repair work bee and fundraiser earlier this year, died at the Mancelona-area home where he and his wife Lori recently moved. He was 51.

Doty, who lived most of his life in Northern Michigan, worked for many years in the building trades as a draftsman and for most of the past 15 years as the head of the Charlevoix County Building Department. He also coached basketball for many years in Boyne Falls and more recently in East Jordan where he was the head junior varsity coach through the end of last season. He also worked as a high school basketball official for many years.

Doty was first diagnosed with an advanced stage of

"He touched so many people's lives with his kind words, gentle demeanor and love for the game of basketball. Not only have we lost a great basketball coach but also a dear friend."

DARREN WEBER,
EAST JORDAN VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH

prostate cancer in September of 2006 for which he has been undergoing treatments on and off until recently.

Bill Tison Jr., 26, was a senior at East Jordan High School in 2001 and a member of the varsity basketball team when he met Doty who was in his first season as the school's head junior varsity basketball coach.

Tison went away to college for a few years and when he came back Doty invited Tison to serve as his assistant coach. Tison has now been named Doty's successor as the head junior varsity coach.

"It's because of (Doty) that I'm where I'm at now as a basketball coach," Tison said.

Tison said it wasn't just his

knowledge of the game and how to teach it that made Doty a good coach, but also the life lessons he would teach his players.

"Sometimes he would just sit the kids down in the middle of practice and have a talk with them," Tison said. "He has a story about everything. I've learned so much about basketball from him, but just as much about life. He would always tell the kids, their priorities should be family, then school then sports."

Tison said even the way Doty faced his disease was an inspiration to him and many of the players.

"I'll be getting ready for the season in the next couple weeks and I'm sure much of

my coaching style will carry over directly from him," Tison added.

"Ken will be greatly missed by everyone," East Jordan varsity basketball coach Darrin Weber said Wednesday. "He touched so many people's lives with his kind words, gentle demeanor and love for the game of basketball. Not only have we lost a great basketball coach but also a dear friend."

Frank Shaler, of Boyne City, who has known Doty for more than 25 years through numerous work capacities, said, "Ken was a good and caring person. He was kind to everyone that he met and worked with. From coaching to helping the public with building projects, he always went the distance."

Shaler said Doty loved the outdoors, particularly canoeing on the Jordan River and described him as a man of strong faith who seemed at peace when he last saw him on Monday.

A funeral service for Doty was last Sunday, Nov. 8, at the East Jordan High School gymnasium.



FILE PHOTO

Long-time coach and area resident Ken Doty recently died following several years living with prostate cancer.

Lake to lake trail quickly becoming a reality

A township, city, various businesses and St. Marys Cement are collaborating to open a new trail to the public.

The Lake to Lake Charlevoix Trail, so named because it stretches from Ferry Beach to the Fisherman's Island State Park side of Lake Michigan,

could be open as early as Spring, 2010.

"It's been a long time working on it," said Lake to Lake Charlevoix Trail Committee co-chair Joanne Heemon. "About 10 or 12 years ago we began working with Medusa (former owner of a large portion of the trail now owned by St.

Marys Cement) to get their old railway."

The tentative path of the trail would begin at Ferry Beach, snake up to M66 near the new location of the Charlevoix County mental health building, cross M66 and run westward until it crossed Marion Center Road near the Belvedere

Golf Course before heading north to US 31 South near the Charlevoix Airport.

Opening the aforementioned stretch of trail, said St. Marys Cement environmental manager Cortney Schmidt, is the easy part.

"We're pretty confident that component of the trail up until the 'Welcome to

Charlevoix' sign on US 31 South will go smooth," he said. "But, from 31 to Bells Bay Road there are quite a few businesses and the airport is making some changes, so we'll have to figure out how to get that accomplished."

Due to homeland security issues with fenced areas,

the trail may not be able to cross the airport's property as some would like.

"There are some issues we're trying to work out," said Charlevoix City Planner Mike Spencer. "We are still trying to identify all

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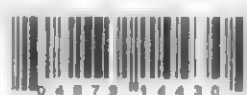
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THE CRYING TOWEL

Benjamin Gohs

When someone dies, it is only natural to take some time and look back on their life. I weigh the good with the bad and make our own respective judgments on that person's time spent.

I didn't know Ken Doty long

enough to judge his life's work. I think the first time I had a real conversation with him outside of getting comments for stories about the building department was shortly after he was diagnosed with cancer back in late 2006 or early 2007.

I was assigned to contact Ken and ask him if he would be up for a series of informational articles about his type of cancer: warning signs, treatments, emotional support and the like.

What struck me from the beginning was his candor about the entire process and his insistence that if one person could be swayed to

get their regular check-ups for the disease, it would all be worth it. The hours of interviews, he said, were worth it as he recounted, with his trademark smile and happy eyes, that several guys had told him they went and got checked out because they read Ken's story.

Ken's final years may have been spent battling illness, but he was much more: father, husband, coach, good friend and eternal optimist.

He was scared to death when he was first diagnosed. Ken told me. But, every time I would see him at a county meeting or around town, he always had a smile and

an upbeat spin on life — no matter how dark the prognosis.

He had the audacity to routinely ask how me and my family were doing and he even took the time to counsel me on some home improvement projects.

Having been raised in the same church that his grandparents, mother and stepfather were members, gave him a strong spiritual foundation and an unshakable faith. When he was sick from treatment, he was very sick. He talked sometimes of feeling like the radiated areas on his body had been cooked, and that he was tired all the time.

Instead of quitting his job and staying home to rest, he soldiered on. He continued working, he continued coaching and he continued offering a pleasant smile and kind words.

I once asked him why he didn't just quit everything, sell his house and spend his days in some tropical paradise. He just smiled and told me he didn't want to be anywhere else but right here near his family and friends.

They say a man's character is judged not on how he behaves when times are good, but when they are their very worst.

Ken experienced the very worst

a man can go through and he did so with a smile and the heart of a giver.

I've never had much faith in religion, God or church leaders, but Ken taught me faith is not a weakness as I once believed: faith is having the courage to continue against overwhelming odds without the benefit of knowing how things will turn out.

"I know the gifts and promises we've been given as Christians," Ken said in a 2007 story on his battle with cancer. "A lot of things are out of my hands and I just have to trust the heavenly father knows what's best."

What's on your bucket list? Don't let fear paralyze your dreams



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

The movie with Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman was not a huge hit at the box office but it was one I thought about thinking and I like that.

So many times we stop ourselves from doing something we'd really like to do out of fear, money, time or commit-

ments. Even though these fictional characters created a list from a desire to lead a full life before terminal illness ended theirs, don't you wonder sometimes about things you really want to do and what keeps you from doing them?

Maybe it's time to look at your own situation and realize that fear of making a mistake or a myriad of commitments should not keep you from doing what you'd like to do. Consider this: what excitement there is in just the anticipation of doing something new and the amount of satisfaction that comes from completing what you did. If you are confined to home due to illness or physi-

cal disability try setting a goal to learn a new language, make one new friend, finish one book, complete a crossword puzzle, exercise with small weights or bands. Small amounts of physical and mental exercise can bring renewed happiness in your life. Younger generations can create their list with parental guidance or a good family friend to help guide them to complete tasks they've wanted to do. Discouraging someone will only develop regrets later in life. If fear is keeping you from doing something you want to do then take a friend with you on your new journey.

I've spoken to individuals who have taken up dance

lessons with or without their spouse, started horseback riding lessons, purchased a first home, sold their home and decided to travel the country by motor home. Sounds scary sometimes but by pushing the forward button on life we open new doors that will present new challenges and a fulfilling life. Your making a list gives you incentive as to what is relevant to you. It can motivate you during times of stress. The list becomes goals to look forward to. If your place in life is not what you pictured yourself doing, then do something about it. Travel usually ends up on most lists but not everyone wants to see the Great Pyramids. Instead your list may include looking up a friend from the past. Maybe your list includes relationships: forgiving someone who has brought sadness into your life.

Most lists are personal; including a resolve to be a better person or developing a closer relationship with a higher spiritual being.

Other lists are easily spontaneous: trying of new foods, learning to tell one good joke or enriching someone else's life other than your own. There is a difference between living a full life and living a fulfilling one. It's oftentimes people in our life and not places that matter the most. It's nice to

see a sunrise or sunset in a new locale but sharing it with someone makes it even better. If you make it a practice to keep people and things around you that only bring you joy, you will find a sense of peace. Finding balance in your life and not stressing about things you haven't accomplished by making this list is not what it's about.

Whether you choose to travel or get a tattoo, write a book or book it to Bali, laugh more or lose more weight, writing down what you want to complete in this lifetime brings focus on what brings joy in your life. So what's on your bucket list?

Ms. Amelia Conduct stands in for 'More or Less'

BY CHRISTINE GWDIT
Dear Ms. Conduct,

I am writing to you in the hope that you can help resolve a dispute that I am having with my husband.

A few evenings ago, we were dining out at a fashionable restaurant. I ordered the calamari appetizer, specifically querying the waiter in regard to it's preparation. I love a good calamari, but so often one is disappointed.

The waiter assured me that it was very fresh and the batter, light and crisp. Thus satisfied, I

placed my order.

When the plate was brought to our table, it was accompanied by the vague but undeniable whiff of a stagnant tide pool. Prodding the heap of tentacles with my fork, I was dismayed that the batter disengaged easily and slid off, exposing the rubbery appendages in what appeared to be a viscous mire of oil.

I prevailed upon my husband to examine the dish and his answer was not, I am sorry to say, a complete surprise.

"Geez, Nancy (not my real name), why do you always hafta find fault with everything?" he told me. "Just eat the gosh darn octopus, willya?"

I am not one to make a scene, and so I tasted the dish, diluting it's odd pungency with sips from my bird bath martini. Not long after, I decided that a little fresh air would be advisable.

As I crouched outside next to a lovely fieldstone staircase with my head tucked between my knees, a pack of feral cats raced past me up the steps.

Surprised by the sudden movement, I stood up too fast, lost my balance and descended the same staircase in a backward summersault. Fortunately, there were only 10 or 12 steps, and I rolled to a stop sooner rather than later.

My husband, seated by a window, noticed and came out to fetch me.

"Ya didn't break nothin' did ya?" He maintained that he wasn't laughing at me, but rather with me, although I most certainly was not laughing. "Cape"

Your feet went straight up in the air!"

In fact, I didn't seem to be much worse for the tumble. My husband helped to unwrap my dress from around my neck and pull the dead leaves from my hair and we returned to our meal. The remainder of the evening was comparatively uneventful.

My husband feels that had I not over-reacted to the calamari and the cats, I might have spared him this embarrassment. I feel that I have marned beneath my

station.

Who's right? Signed, Bruised in Butte Dear Bruised,

What were you thinking by ordering seafood in Montana? This seems to me to represent a pattern of questionable methodology inherent in your decision-making process. Sorry, Toots, but I'm going to have to side with your hubby on this one. Calm down, princess! Consider your geography and order the gizzards flambe next time.

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LETTERS to the editor

STUPAK'S CHOICE STUPEFYING

Editor:

US Representative Bart Stupak crossed a line in his actions and statements regarding the Stupak Amendment to the Healthcare Bill, placing his personal and religious views over the rights and needs of women and healthcare reform for his constituents.

The Healthcare Bill already prohibited using federal funds for abortions. Stupak's Amendment went beyond that saying any insurance purchased through the health insurance exchange would not have abortion coverage, even if it is paid for entirely with private funds. Abortion insurance would have to be purchased as separate insurance. No one wants to have an abortion, so why would you purchase insurance for something you don't want or plan?

Connie Saltonstall
Charlevoix

SEPARATION of Church and State, he should not impose those views on others. Not only has he put the health and rights of women in jeopardy, he said in his press conference following passage of the bill that "we will take the healthcare bill down" if the Stupak Amendment is not included in the final bill. He will work to defeat healthcare reform for everyone because of his personal religious views.

Stupak's position does not support the law and it does not protect healthcare for the citizens of Michigan's First Congressional District. We deserve better.

Connie Saltonstall
Charlevoix

SICK OF STUPAK

Editor:

Congressman Bart Stupak seems to be leaving his strong pro-life position as he announced he will vote for the Democrat health care bill even if it requires tax payers paid abortions and also requires hospital, doctors and nurses to take part in those operations regardless of their moral positions.

The Government Waste Watch has recently published their rating for 2008 which shows Congressman Stupak's economic voting record as a high spender only beaten by Kirkpatrick and Levin (related to our Senator) and Dingell all from Detroit and tying the remaining Democrat MI congressmen with a score of four. By way of comparison, the Republican scores ranged from 39 (Candice Miller) to 81 (Congressman Hoekstra). Ironically both

the high and low scoring Republicans are considering running for Governor of MI next year.

To continue to report of Congressman Stupak's record he has also recently, according to a recent chart in Human Events; voted to expand and hate crime bill to include sexual orientation, which might threaten ministers who try to express the bible teaching to their members.

Another vote that Congressman Stupak has been reported to have joined with Conyers & Dingell is to vote against the bill that would have restricted bringing the terrorists from Guantanamo prison to the United States. John Dingell represents an area that has a high concentration of Muslims in his District, Congressman Conyers can be considered an extreme liberal, it seems like strange bedfellows for Congressman Stupak.

It is best to have informed voters making selection in the ballot box. In is the job of the local media to fill that need. Today more than ever the public is interested in what is going on in Washington and what part their electors are taking in the issues. Too often the elected officials are not interested in having their constituents aware of these troubling votes; which put this burden on the local media to serve as the voter's informant.

The above items are in-

tended to draw attention to the national issues that should be of interest to your readers. I have no idea who will run on the Republican ticket or obviously were he/she will stand on the issues. I would be curious if this year they would select a pro-life candidate so that Congressman Stupak seems to lessen his formally strong pro-life position. The 1st Congressional District candidates, in the past, have not been strong proponents of the pro-life position and tended to relinquish that position to Stupak in the past; will that change this year?

John J. Crinnion
Harbor Springs

HAUNTED BOUNTY

Editor:

The Charlevoix Community Food Pantry would like to thank all of the men and women from the Coast Guard Station who put on the Halloween "Haunted Station" for our community.

The price of admission was canned goods for the food pantry. Not only were there LOTS of cans of food donated by the witches and goblins, but several of the young men and women from the

Coast Guard Station delivered it and helped stock the pantry's shelves. This food will go a long way toward providing emergency food for those in need in the Charlevoix Area.

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Sue Dixon
President, Charlevoix Community Food Pantry

HUNTERS HAPPY
Thank you to all of those

who purchased tickets for the shotgun raffle held at the 7th Annual Hunters' Banquet. We would like to sincerely thank you!!

Because of your support we were able to raise over \$2,000 of which all the proceeds have been given to our local food pantry.

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Neil and Kathryn Jones in 1959 (left) and in 2009 (above) are celebrating 50 years of marriage.

Jones 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Neil H. Jones will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at a private family party on Saturday, Nov. 7, at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant in Charlevoix.

Neil H. Jones, son of Ford and Kathryn Jones, and Joanne Trew, daughter of JC and Marion Harvey and Glen Trew, were married Nov. 7, 1959, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Flint. The couple lived in South Lyon from 1959-1972, when they moved

to Charlevoix.

Mr. Jones is a retired dairy farmer and now works summer maintenance at the Chicago Club in Charlevoix.

Mrs. Jones is a homemaker and helped on the farm. She also worked as a part-time secretary at Charlevoix Community Reformed Church.

Neil and Joanne love Charlevoix Rayder sports and are active members of the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church. He is also an

Ellsworth Farmers Exchange Co-op board member and she is the Marion Township zoning administrator.

They have four children: Kimberly (Rod) Stevens, Shari (Kent Seymour) Jones, Robert (Kelly) Jones, all of Charlevoix, and Bethany (Terry) Walters of Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones also have seven grandchildren: Ashley (Darwin) Sherlock, Nicholas (Katlynn Johnson) Jones and Jason Jones of

Charlevoix, Kathryn, Kaylee and Robert Walters of Traverse City and Drew Seymour of Charlevoix.

They also have their dog, Molly, and seven granddogs they enjoy babysitting for: Wesley, Baguira, Apollo, Hobson, Buddy, Gypsy and Big Girl. Mr. and Mrs. Jones recently returned from a three-week train trip out West and through Canada to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.



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McLeod to the rescue

This past spring, Classic Instruments of Boyne City stepped in to save a program for the Boyne City sixth-graders and Camp Daggett with a contribution of over \$5,000. Each year, the Boyne City sixth grade has participated in a three-day overnight camping experience at Camp Daggett, including a great variety of activities. This year, the school could not afford to offer the experience and John McLeod of Classic Instruments came to the rescue. McLeod set up an on-line auction of donated car parts to benefit the outing. For more information, contact Brent Mariatt, executive director, Camp Daggett at (231) 347-9742 extension 106. Pictured is Boyne City sixth-grader, Zach Napont.

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Charity chowdown

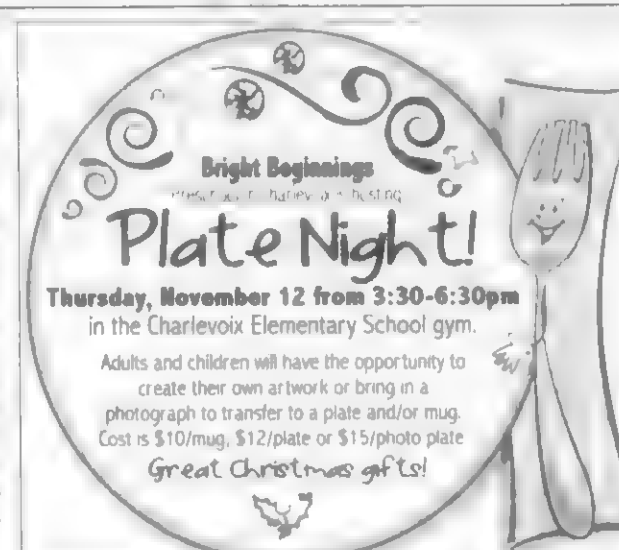
The Villager Pub in Charlevoix was lined with people participating in the all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner Wednesday evening, an annual fundraiser for Charlevoix's Historical Society. Proceeds will help fund operational expenses and society programs.



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Polar bears air on PBS

WCMT PBS TV will air "Voices of a Never Ending Dawn" the dramatic documentary film honoring Michigan's World War I soldiers known as The Polar Bears. Much of the movie was filmed last winter in Charlevoix. The film will air 10 p.m. on Nov. 16 go to www.PolarBearDocumentary.com. Press for more.



Info' sought for Korean War book

Retired Sheriff George T. Lasater, author of the book, "Charlevoix Counties Contribution to World War II," has a computerized search book, "Charlevoix Counties Contribution to World War I."

The next publication project will be "Charlevoix Counties Contribution to the Korean War." Any citizens with information on family members in either WW I or Korean War are encouraged to contact George at his home (231) 582-7001.

There are few copies still left of the WWII publication at local book stores.

The proceeds from the sale of the books are being donated to War Memorials in Charlevoix County by George Lasater.

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Wednesday, November 18, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Join this group into the world of textile art.

Writers Group

Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Quilters

Thursday, November 19, 10:00 - 1:00 pm

Join quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a monthly workgroup.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music. Learn finger plays.

Where the Wild Things Are!

Saturday, November 21, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Scrapbookers

Saturday, November 28, 10:00 - 4:30 pm

Join this group of scrapbookers who get together to share, laugh and learn.

Save the Date!

Saturday, January 23, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Have fun with all recycled materials - an adult craft day! Mark your calendars and lots of accessories.

The Oral Traditions project

The Oral Traditions project is a collection of interviews on DVD. The interviewees include local residents talking about Charlevoix history or veteran's lives using their experiences with the military. The DVD's are available for loan and are located in the Michigan Room. The Oral Traditions project was made possible through a donation from Julie and Peter Cummings in honor of Edith Pair.

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Anya McGoff, Nancy Wright, Donna Looze, Gay Pung, Nancy Kline, Jackie Krusch, and Marge McGoff prepare elaborate decorations for Holly Daze.

Organizers dazed and enthused

BY TINA SUNDELIUS
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

The Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation is gearing up for the next Holly Daze full evening fundraising event to be held Dec. 4 at the Castle.

Monies raised at Holly Daze are used to purchase hospital equipment as well as funding community health education programs. The foundation is hoping to purchase this year for the hospital includes the Gyrus, an advanced bipolar sealing and cutting system.

The cost of the Gyrus System is \$15,000.

Community outreach programs the foundation is involved in includes the Read To Me program which provides age appropriate books to physician offices, the Fit Kids program which reaches into area schools to screen fifth-graders for the presence of risk factors for cardiovascular disease, the Circle of Strength program which provides support for survivors of cancer, and Diabetes Education programs.

These programs cost over \$100,000 annually.

Holly Daze is the CAH Foundation's number one fundraising event.

"We'd love to have everybody know that they are all welcome. It's a good way to kick off the holiday season."

MARGE TESKE,
HOLLY DAZE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

14 years ago the Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild hosted an auction and Christmas craft sale in the solarium of the hospital.

The fundraiser consisted of a silent auction and Christmas craft sale.

It was taken over by the CAH Foundation and evolved to include cocktails, dinner, and a live auction.

It was moved to the Charlevoix Country Club for a number of years then four years ago it outgrew the country club and was moved to the Castle.

"It started out as an auction of just Christmas things: trees, wreaths and other crafty items," said Marge Teske, Holly Daze committee co-chair. It's a fun little thing."

Baker Metal Works of Petoskey has offered a 10 percent discount on setting the gems into rings, pendants or whatever you would like.

This year guests of Holly Daze will have the opportunity to purchase a \$25

glass of Champaign with a Christmas ornament attached.

Inside each ornament will be a semi-precious gemstone.

Ruby, topaz, Mexican fire opal, peridot, amethyst, tourmaline, citrine, zircon, garnet or aquamarine gems ranging from a quarter karat to one karat are all included.

"It's a creative idea that adds a little twist this year," said Kim Diller, Holly Daze committee co-chair.

"It is an affordable option for anybody that comes." "You don't know what you're going to get but you'll get something," said Marge Teske, Holly Daze committee co-chair. It's a fun little thing."

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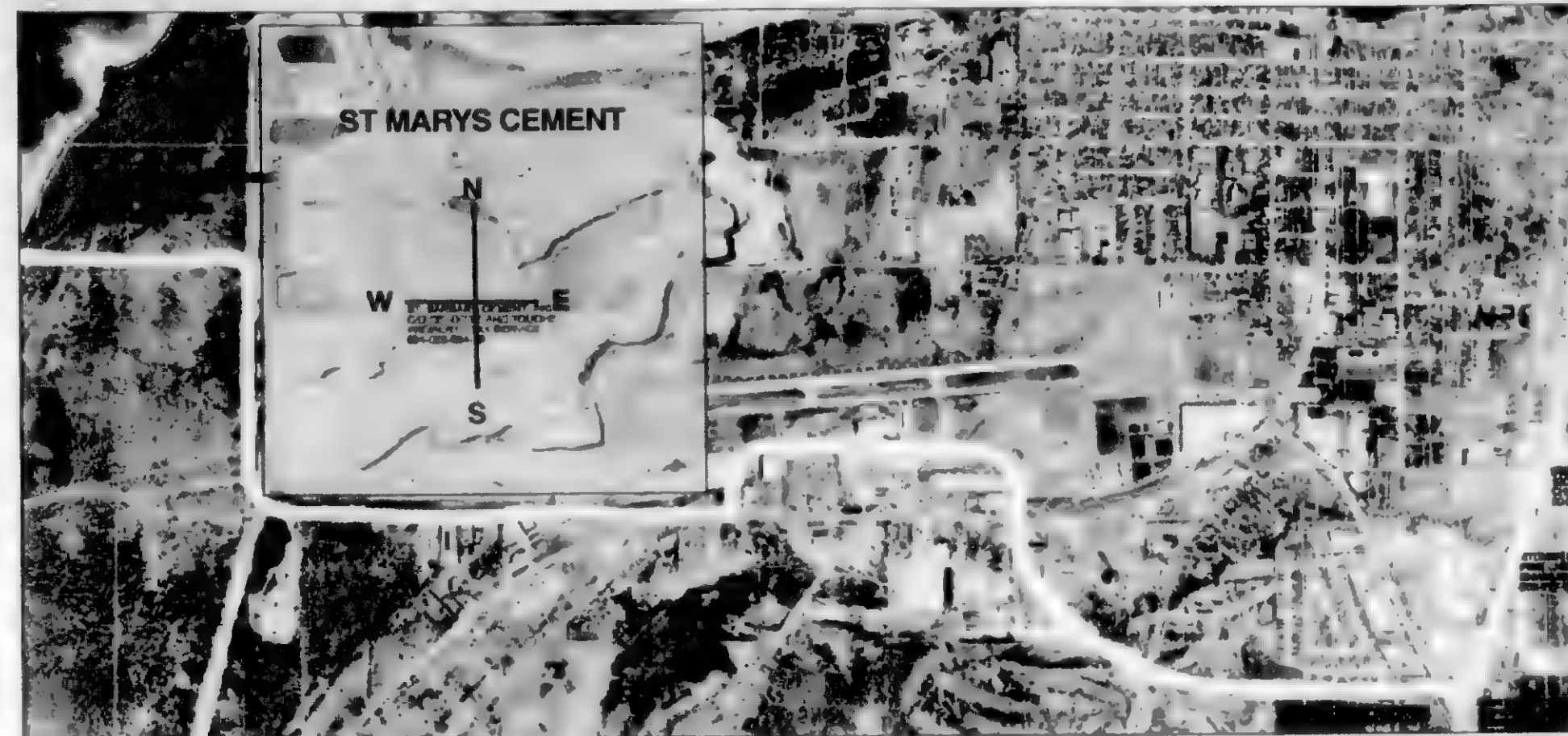
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This aerial photograph provided by the City of Charlevoix shows the proposed site of the new Lake to Lake Charlevoix Trail, much of which was formerly a railroad used to haul St. Marys Cement factory's machinery and construction materials to the current facility site near Fisherman's Island State Park. No longer used by the cement company, the trail has seen some use by snowmobilers, but has not been opened up for biking, hiking and jogging.

Lake to Lake Charlevoix Trail open by spring?

TRAIL
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the challenges and obstacles and the solutions that might be able to expedite the trail and move it forward.

So far, it appears as if all the major players in the planning process are in favor of the new trail system.

"I am personally for it, and I know some other (board members) that sound like it is a really good idea,"

said Charlevoix Township Supervisor Dale Glass.

"They (lake to lake committee) asked us to pass a resolution in support of it."

The board voted unanimously in favor of the measure during their regular board meeting on Monday, Nov. 9.

Glass said even with the township government's support, the committee will need to clear the trail idea with local property owners who may need to yield rights-of-way in order for

the trail to work. "I think it's great," he said. "Give people a safe place to run and bike and snowmobile in the winter."

The nearly five-mile trail, which is covered with a hardpacked limestone mix, is already suitable for walking, biking and snowmobiling, according to Beemon.

"We're definitely not going to approach taxpayers on anything to pay for this," Beemon said. "We hope to get some state monies on this project as it brings together things specified in the Cool Cities (study): green transporta-

tion, cooperation between city and township and private companies."

Schmidt said St. Marys is committed to improving the Charlevoix area as much as possible and will continue to work through any challenges which arise during the Lake to Lake Trail project.

"This is a good idea," he said. "The efforts to get this done are ongoing and the more people coming in will add to the momentum."

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix falls to Tawas in regionals

BY BRIAN BEAUPIED
NEWS-REVIEW

Charlevoix keeper Nick Branch dove to his left, but the ball had already ripped the mesh behind him.

And just like that, 43 seconds later, Charlevoix's season came to a stunning end with a 2-1 loss to Tawas Wednesday night in a Division III boys' soccer regional semifinal game at Elk Rapids.

A direct kick awarded to Tawas with under a minute remaining was the difference between overtime, and a chance to continue in the state tournament, and the end of Rayders' season.

Tawas was given the free kick from 18 yards out after an apparent injury to a Charlevoix defender. Before the whistle, Charlevoix had regained possession of the ball and was looking to move out of its defensive zone.

"We didn't like how it ended up, but this is typical at this level at this part of the season," Charlevoix coach Josh Block said. "You have close games like this, you're going to get situations like that."

"That's a hard loss."

Earlier in the second half

Tawas had tied the game on a similar kick from about 18 yards away.

"That's a real dangerous place to be," Block said. "It gets really congested (in the box) and the goalie can't see very well and they've got a guy that can hit that ball hard and low."

That guy was Cody Jordan, who scored both Tawas goals. "Cody is fast and tough to beat," Tawas coach Ken Cook said. "He put an excellent shot at the far pole and it hit the net like a rocket."

Charlevoix scored first and controlled the tempo for most of the game, but had trouble keeping shots on net and taking advantage of its opportunities.

"Other than those directional kicks we shut them down in the field," Block said. "We had a few balls, where you know, we needed to get them on the net better than we did."

Ben Myers scored Charlevoix's goal less than ten minutes in, dribbling the ball to the right past three Tawas defenders and tucking the ball to the far corner behind keeper Nick Hulea.

Tawas was kept off the board

in the first half thanks in large part to Brandi, who made several diving stops, including a leaping save made by deflecting the ball from his hands off the crossbar and harmlessly out of play.

Brandi, who set a school record with 11 shutouts this season, finished with eight saves.

"Nick has been great for us all season," Block said. "He's a great keeper and a great leader on the field. That's going to be our hardest spot to fill next year."

Hulea was equally as impressive in net for Tawas, making 11 saves and keeping his team in the game.

Charlevoix's season ends at 20-2, but culminates after claiming its first ever Lake Michigan Conference and district titles.

"We had a good run, we've accomplished a lot of things that we've never accomplished before," Block said. "I'm real proud of my team, I have no regrets."

Tawas will play Newaygo, a 2-0 winner over Reed City in Wednesday's other semifinal, for the regional title 7 p.m. Friday at Elk Rapids.



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Following a strong season on the soccer field, the Charlevoix Rayders boys' varsity soccer team lost in Division III regionals against Tawas 2-1 in Elk Rapids last Wednesday.

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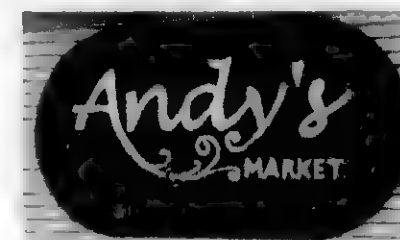
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Shortly following the Community Tree Lighting is the 3rd Annual Flurry Fest on Saturday, December 5th. It is an all day event featuring the Merchant Holiday Open House, a visit by Santa Claus and his reindeer, followed by a free holiday movie at 1pm and live music from 3 to 6pm. Restaurants will also be competing for the prestigious title of "Charlevoix's Best Hot Chocolate." So come downtown to enjoy live music, roasted chestnuts, and the spirit of the season!

2009 Lunch & Learn

You are invited to attend the 2009 Lunch & Learn series! Val Meyerson, director of the Charlevoix Public Library and Chris Wendt, a regional director for the Michigan Small Business and Technology Development Center, will be sharing how to produce Effective Market Research. The workshop will provide a variety of new and improved research venues. Topics of discussion include: navigating through the Michigan electronic library, finding

information on psychographics, ideas on how to better target customers, determining which media the target customer uses most, and utilizing market research tools.

Interested? Then mark your calendar for Wednesday, November 18th from 11:30am to 1pm and head over to the Charlevoix Public Library. Admission is \$25 for Chamber members and \$35 for general admission. Pre-registration is required by contacting the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce at 231.547.2101 or info@charlevoix.org.

Why Network?

On the first Friday and second Thursday of each month, the Chamber of Commerce provides a prime networking opportunity at the First Friday Biz Breakfast and Business After Hours. It is a well-known fact that networking is a key component in all businesses. It allows participants to get to know people and/or businesses and to build a relationship in which all benefit. Take a look:

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"Already know a lot of people? That's a start; however, build on that contact base. Long-term stability, an enhanced reputation, and assisting others in the process will result!"

So come experience it for yourself at the next Business After Hours on Thursday, November 12th from 5 to 7pm hosted at Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center located in the Kmart plaza off of M-66. The next First Friday Biz Breakfast will be Friday, December 4th at 7:30am at Grey Gables Restaurant. Keith Carey, executive director of the Downtown Development Authority, will be giving an update on their latest happenings and the Flurry Fest. Take advantage of these excellent opportunities! See you there!

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Nov. 12	Business After Hours	547.2101
Nov. 12	NW Academy Band Trip Fundraiser	547.3387
Nov. 18	2009 Lunch & Learn	547.2101
Nov. 21	Where the Wild Things Are Party	237.7350
Nov. 26	Thanksgiving	
Nov. 27	Community Christmas Tree Lighting	547.2101
Dec. 4	First Friday Biz Breakfast	547.2101
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City drafting junk boat rule

BY KIM JAMES
EDITOR

Citing blight, potential for lowered property values and the public health and safety, Charlevoix officials are working to rid the town of junk boats.

Now in a year-long battle with a city property owner who refuses to clean his yard of debris, the city is working on amending its blight ordinance.

"We are not trying to eliminate boats in the city, we're just trying to limit the number of them and if they are allowed, then make them put them in the back yard," said Charlevoix City Planner Mike Spencer. "We are recognizing that we are a boating community and in Northern Michigan we have toys, and resort community people like to come up and use their toys — we're just clarifying the question, 'At what point do toys become neglected and become a yard full of junk?'"

Though blight in the city has always been somewhat of an issue,

Spencer said, it has really come to a head over the court case against Paul Osterberg, the blighted property owner in question.

Despite several attempts to contact Osterberg, he could not be reached.

The city took Osterberg to court in October 2008, but lost when it was discovered that the city's nuisance ordinance did not cover boats.

"It really depends on who you ask," Spencer said of the subjective title "junk." "Neighbors feel it is an eyesore and it's hindering down property values."

Osterberg was ordered to remove the miscellaneous garbage, dismantled and inoperable vehicles, and other junk from his property off West Carpenter near the municipal airport.

Inoperable vehicles," Spencer said, "does not cover boats. We simply seek to amend the language (in the city's nuisance ordinance) to include inoperable boats."



This boat is one of several located in a yard off Carpenter Street in Charlevoix the city feels is inoperable and creating an eyesore. City officials are currently working on an amendment to their nuisance ordinance to include what they are calling "junk boats."

COURTESY PHOTO

This is the first in a series of updates

outlining the water treatment and disposal options being considered right now by CMS Land and government officials. As part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, millions of gallons of groundwater, high in alkalinity and containing trace amounts of mercury and other contaminants, are collected at the shoreline in order to protect the Bay Collection of this water will go on for the foreseeable future, but what to do with it for the long term remains a crucial unanswered question. Any final solution must answer the following questions:

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Make a difference with Operation Christmas Child

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

You can give the gift of love this holiday season to someone in need.

It all starts with an empty shoebox. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has delivered shoe boxes full of gifts to children in

boxes will be delivered by hand to children who need it most, regardless of their background or beliefs.

"National collection week is November 16th through the 23rd, and anyone can get involved," said Diana DeYoung who has been working with the organization for the last nine years. "Just take an empty shoe box and fill it up. It's that easy."

Shoe boxes are divided into three age categories: 2 to 4, 5 to 9, and 10 to 14.

Those donating can choose whether to buy for a boy or girl.

"Toiletries, school supplies, candy, and toys are the best items to put in the shoe box," said DeYoung.

Shoe boxes should be standard size. In addition, a \$7 donation for shipping the box is encouraged as well.

"Just take an empty shoebox and fill it up. It's that easy."

DIANA DEYOUNG,

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD VOLUNTEER

While some shoe boxes do stay in the United States, most go to other countries.

There are currently about 120 countries involved in Operation Christmas Child. In the last 16 years, more than 61 million shoe boxes have been packed, shipped, and delivered across the globe.

DeYoung works with churches and communities from Cadillac all the way to Sault Ste. Marie to organize shoe box drop-offs and shoe box stuffing parties.

"Last year our Northern Michigan region packed and shipped over 25,000 boxes. We hope to exceed that goal this year," said DeYoung.

Internationally, the organization hopes to give 8.2 million shoe boxes to those in need this season. Last year, donations reached just under 8 million.

DeYoung said this is a great way for people in area communities and churches to get together for the holidays and make a difference.

"I just love to see the people get involved and they're giving of themselves," said DeYoung. "It's the giving of ourselves that we will be the most fulfilled."

For more information about Operation Christmas Child, visit their Web site at www.samaritanspurse.org.

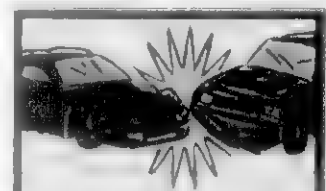


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Charlevoix Towing New owner, location

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

A local towing company is under new management and has expanded services to help serve customers throughout the region. In July, Josh Greenman and Steve Allen purchased Charlevoix Towing and Recovery on US 31, south of Charlevoix.

"After the purchase of the business, we moved right across the street," said Greenman. "Here we have more room, a better location, a full repair shop out back, a larger office and show-room."

Greenman and Allen added 7-day a week U-haul rentals to the business and a 7-day a week repair shop.

"We do everything in the repair shop from under car maintenance to transmissions," said

Greenman. "We also sell tires and batteries."

Greenman points out that the business is the only one he knows of in the area that offers 7-day a week repair service.

"A lot of times if your car breaks down on Friday, you have to wait until Monday to take it in. But often we can get your vehicle back to you that same day, or by the next morning," said Greenman.

Charlevoix Towing and Recovery is also the only U-haul distributor in the area that is open 7 days a week.

"We have people coming all the way from Sault Ste. Marie for U-haul pickups, it's hard to keep them in our lot," said Greenman.

For now, Greenman and Allen are the only two full time employees and say they've had

a busy few months. Greenman, who worked as a mechanic before purchasing the business, does all the repairs. Allen has a background in business management. Both share office and towing duties.

"Everyday is different, you're never doing the same thing each day," explained Greenman. "Right now I'm working in the office, but pretty soon I'll probably get a call and need to go out. Everyday you see something different."

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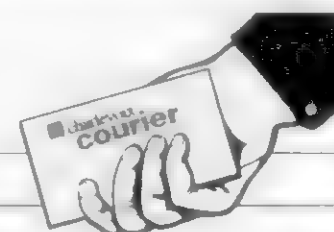


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Americinn turns 5

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Girls clinch districts

BY BRIAN BEAUDIEP
NEWS-REVIEW

As far as Charlevoix coach Liz Grunch is concerned, this could be history in the making.

The Rayders wrapped up their first district volleyball title since 2003, beating Harbor Springs 25-13, 20-25, 25-15, 25-8 in Thursday's Class C district final hosted by East Jordan. Charlevoix, 41-18-2, will now have a chance to win its first-ever regional game on Tuesday, and all in the comfort of their own gym.

"It's kind of exciting to be on our home court and I think it's been in the back of the players' minds," Grunch said. "The Rayders have never won a regional game, so it could be history in the making."

Charlevoix jumped out to a quick one-set lead before dropping the second, which actually proved to be a blessing in disguise. Down 18-8 at one point in the set, Grunch called the team together and told them to get back to basics.

"Our offense was struggling a little bit — hitting balls into the net and into their blocks," she said. "I told them to refocus and get back to the fundamentals, and that's what they did."

The Rayders rallied to within four points, but despite eventually dropping the set they had taken momentum, and would not relinquish it.

"We did a nice job in that game of playing together," Harbor Springs coach Mary Miller said. "They were talking and communicating, but that just broke down in the last game. Charlevoix just outpowered us."

Harbor Springs' bid for its first-ever district title fell short, with the Rams ending the season at 15-14-6. Nicole Shepard (14 digs), Haley Kloss (11 kills, 10 digs) and Steffany Wenz (two aces, 13 digs) stood out for Harbor in a losing effort.

Defensively Charlevoix was strong all game. The Rayders received a team-high 39 digs from Taylor Storm and 16 from Isis Hang.

"Hannah Storm and Isis Hang really played well defensively for us — we played great defensively all night," Grunch said. "And (setter) Jenna Way did a great job of delivering the ball even though (Harbor) keyed in on her a little bit."

Way had 37 assists and 15 digs of her own, helping to set up Katie Mays who had a team-leading 17 kills. Other Charlevoix standouts included Kelly Greyerbiehl (14 digs), Bobby Molter (eight kills), Allison Hankins (12 kills) and Sarah Potter (10 digs, three blocks).

"I'm just really proud of the girls, they played their hearts out tonight," Grunch said. "It was just a really great team win."



COURTESY PHOTO

The Charlevoix Rayders girls' varsity volleyball team recently won their first district title since 2003. Pictured are Abbie Hart, Audra Randall, Coach Liz Grunch, Allison Hankins, Katie Mays, Chelsie Hoffman, Kelly Greyerbiehl, Kelsey Way, Jenna Way, Bailey Chamberlain, Bobbie Molter, Nikki Speigl, Sarah Potter, Taylor Storm, Isis Hang and Yogi Hang.

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

CCA

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

• Nov. 14 Kim Akins photo workshop. Call for details.

• 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Marcie Vargas holds a five-week writers' workshop on Nov. 11, 18, and Dec. 2, 9 and 16. Cost is \$30. Bring a notebook and writing utensil.

BLOOD DRIVES

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Nov. 16 at East Jordan High School, 204 North Maple St.

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19 at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St., Charlevoix.

NOV. 11

Free dinner and movie for veterans.

From 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. there will be a free spaghetti dinner at the Villager Pub followed by a free movie at Charlevoix Cinema III for all veterans on Veterans Day Nov. 11. Movie choices include the PG rated "This is it," the PG rated "A Christmas Carol," and the R rated "Law Abiding Citizen." Pub owner Terry Left and Cinema III owner Bill Supernaw are sponsoring the event as a thank-you to veterans for their military service.

NOV. 15

The Norwood Area Historical Society and the Norwood United Methodist

Church are co-hosting the annual Hunters Lunch on Sunday, November 15, 2009 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the old Norwood Schoolhouse.

Home-made chili, soup, macaroni and cheese, pies, cakes, bread, and cookies will be for sale. All you can eat for \$6.00.

Individual pies, cakes, cookies and bread may be purchased for snacks in the woods. No need to be a hunter—all are welcome! Come and bring your friends!

NOV. 16

History dinner

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society's Annual Holiday Dinner and Program is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 16 at the Jordan Inn in downtown East Jordan, 228 Main St. Cost is \$25. Public welcome. Appetizers and cash bar begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Following dinner, inn owner Jane Krumholz will conduct a tour. Make reservations by Nov. 9. Make check payable to CCHPS and mail to 946 North Advance Road, Boyne City, MI 49712. Include your choice of entree: Select cut of beef or Chicken breast with blue cheese and white wine sauce.

NOV. 17

The Northern Michigan Detachment of the Marine Corps League, in cooperation with the Salvation Army and Community Christmas organizations, will begin their annual "Toys for Tots" solicitation the week of Nov. 17. The solicitation will last until Dec. 17.

Patrons are requested to place new, unwrapped toys in specially marked "Toys for Tots" drop-off boxes.

Toys and gifts are needed for all ages of needy children: infants, pre-school, school ages of pre-teens and teens.

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In recent years, 12,000 to 14,000 toys and gifts have been donated annually.

The need seems to grow every season, so please purchase and donate with this in mind.

Drop boxes are located at most retail stores throughout East Jordan, Charlevoix and Boyne City.

NOV. 20

Co-ed volleyball. Co-ed volleyball teams are forming. Forms are available at the recreation department in the lower level in Charlevoix City Hall.

Forms due by Friday Nov. 20. Games will begin the week of Nov. 30. Call 547-3253 for more.

NOV. 21

Snow sport equipment sale.

New and used ski and snowboard sale, including equipment, clothing, helmets, boots, boards and skis.

The sale is Saturday and Sunday, November 21 and 22 at Mt. McSaubia.

More details to follow.

Adoption information. From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 21, there will be a "Get to know adoption" event with information on



COURTESY PHOTO

WRC helping women

The Women's Resource Center fund and supply drive has begun. Pictured (front, from left) are Monica Webb, Andrea Jacques and Carrie Sundstrom (back, from left) Kim McQuiston, Jennifer DeVries, Jamie Winters, Angie LaCost, and Amy Whitman. Proceeds benefit the center's safe home for battered women. Call (231) 347-1572 or go to www.wrcnm.org to discover how you may help.

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NOV. 26

Community Dinner

The Charlevoix Ministerial Association is planning to hold the 3rd Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner from Noon to 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 26 at the Charlevoix Assembly of God Church, 5291 N. M-66. All are welcome and the meal is provided at no charge.

To help with dinner, call Joy at 547-4813 or to arrange a ride, call Gay at 547-1344.

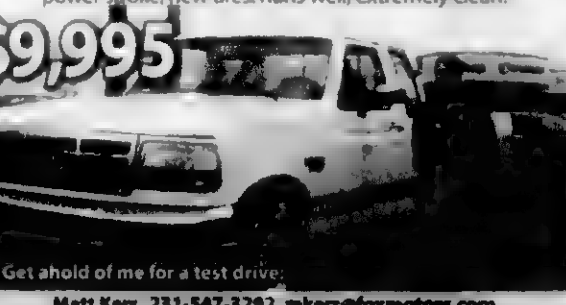
DEC. 5

St. Mary craft show

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EVENTS

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Sale on snow sporting goods.

There will be a ski and snowboard sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 21 and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 22. Boots, boards, skis, clothing and season passes will be up for sale at Mt. McSaubia.

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The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses.

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COMMODITY PICK-UP

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

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FIRST LIGHT WORSHIP

First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday morning in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall.

This is a great time to make new friends while coming together to worship Jesus in an informal atmosphere.

For more information call 547-9122.



M. CHRIS LEESE/NEWS-REVIEW

Top Opp'

Robert DeJonge, first-place winner of the "Photo Op" contest at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts shakes hands with Margaret and Richard Seligman who purchased DeJonge's award-winning picture at the award reception.

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When children give evidence of having difficulty speaking, it may be an early indication that they have a hearing problem. It is important to pay heed to these problems early on so that they may be properly diagnosed and treated as soon as possible. For instance, a child may have difficulty pronouncing certain sounds or combinations of sounds. With this in mind, parents should be on the lookout for a child who can speak

complete words or sentences but consistently leaves out letters or sounds from words. For instance, a child may substitute a sound or letter for one that is more difficult to say, such as substituting a "w" sound for an "r."

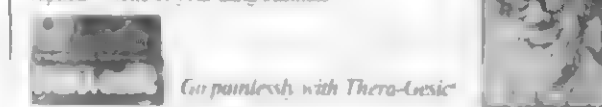
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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County, Michigan:

Adam James Himehauch, 26, Gaylord. License suspended/revoled/denied/allow. Pay \$310 or serve 10 days in jail.

Earl Santoin King, 30, Charlevoix. Trespassing. Pay \$250 or serve two days in jail.

Bette Ann Genson, 65, Boyne Falls. Retail fraud, third degree. To serve 14 days in jail; \$350 in fines and costs.

Cody Michael Marr, 18, East Jordan. Attempting resisting and obstruction of a police officer. Credit for 37 days in jail; to serve 83 days in jail; \$400 in fines and costs.

Marcus LeRoy Bundy Jr., 22, East Jordan. Attempted resisting and obstructing a police officer. Credit for two days in jail; to serve 10 days in jail; serve 15 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess controlled substances/al-

cohol; to attend substance abuse classes; \$700 in fines and costs.

Larry Wayne Farrell, 66, East Jordan. Assault and battery. Credit for one day in jail; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess controlled substances/alcohol; \$500 in fines and costs.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following cases were recently heard in Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court:

Michael Charles Fox, 18, Boyne City. Controlled substances: distribution without remuneration for marijuana. Pay \$500 in fines and costs.

James Robert Fowler, 48, Charlevoix. Controlled substances, maintaining a drug house. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; \$478 in fines and costs.

Joe Eldon West Jr., 44, Boyne City. Operating while intoxicated, third offense. Sentenced to 330 days in jail; credit for 25 days in jail; to serve 300 days in jail; to serve 36 months on probation; \$750 in fines and costs.

Alan Andrew Green, 40, East

OUTL, third offense. Sentenced to 210 days in jail; credit for six days in jail; to serve 210 days in jail; to serve 12 months on probation; \$750 in fines and costs.

Russell Eugene Steinhoff, 52, East Jordan. Two counts of criminal sexual conduct, fourth degree with multiple variables. Sentenced to 365 days in jail; credit for two days in jail; to serve 365 days in jail; to serve five years on probation; \$546 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Northern Lights Construction, PO Box 484 Beaver Island, by Stephen D. Buga

Miss Charlevoix, 12727 Pinetridge Drive, Charlevoix, by Mark Snyder

Czerkies Tree Farms, 03545 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, by Lawrence Czerkies

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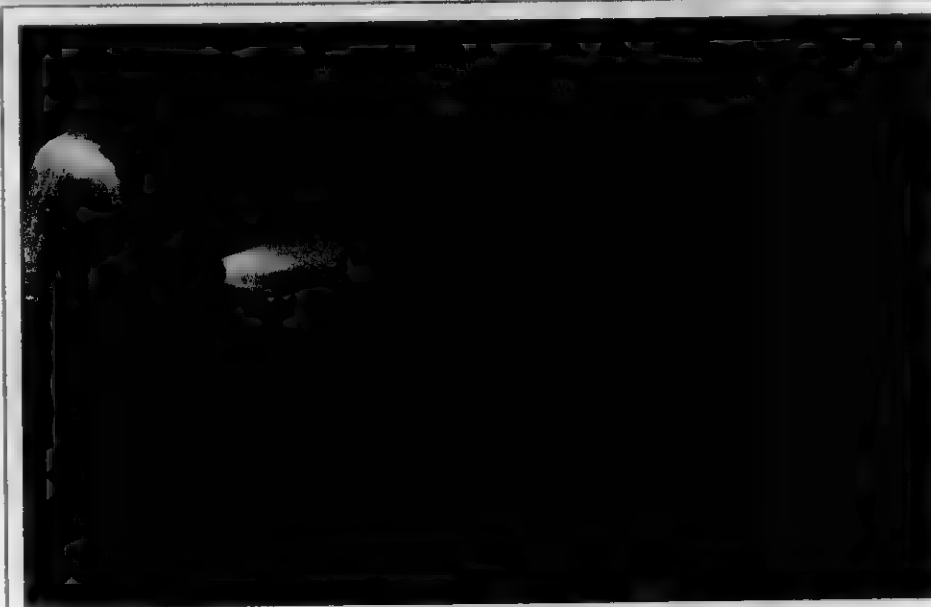


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Fall fire

A Charlevoix City fireman puts out a minor blaze in a leaf pile on Newman Street near Sherman on the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 13, in Charlevoix. Fire officials said the fire could have been started by a cigarette tossed into the leaves.



Halloween candy

More than 50 pounds of Halloween candy was sent to soldiers in Iraq by Dr. Michael Sullivan's Beacon Dental Center through their Halloween candy buy-back program which gave kids \$1 per pound of wrapped candy. Pictured are the Sullivan children Jack and Ellie, ages 1 and 2, respectively.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Taking a break from their marvelous Michigan celebration are (front, from left) Jenna Good, Braden Richards and Angelina Hudson (back, left) Wil Arnold, Eric Smith, Caroline Jereme, Libby Sterrett, Hannah Kane and Denzel Williams.

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Road manager to county: Please pass the salt

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Struggling to ready itself for winter's icy grasp, the Charlevoix County Road Commission recently requested \$60,000 from the county's general fund for road salt.

Citing a "significant increase" in the cost per ton of salt, Charlevoix Road Commission manager Pat Harmon was relieved when the county board voted unanimously in favor of the measure on Wednesday Nov. 11.

"We order about 6,000 ton of salt a year," Harmon said.

"The price on that salt for the 2008-2009 winter was \$47.78 a ton for the early salt (purchased in autumn) and \$49.15 per ton for the late salt ... that comes in later in winter to get us through."

Harmon said the price increased by 21.5 percent to \$58.08 and \$59.37 per ton respectively for early and late salt.

"They don't tell you why (the price increased), but my personal thought is last year when that salt was delivered, fuel prices were high, and that's probably where they got

stung," he said.

Charlevoix County Commissioner Joel Evans (R-District 4) said the decision to approve the expenditure was an easy one.

"We're concerned for the safety of our Charlevoix people and it was important that we have salt on the roads when there is ice on them," he said.

"I wouldn't call it (\$60,000) enough to create a hardship. We have some money for emergency things that pop up and this was the right thing to do."

Harmon said three thousand tons of the salt will reside in the road commission garage just south of Charlevoix, and the remainder will reside in the Boyne City facility.

"I think we'll be OK," he said.

"I just hope we don't get another winter like last winter."

Since the salt is so precious on Northern Michigan's wintry roads, the salt is spread by a computerized device which sprinkles a predetermined amount per mile.

"The application rate stays the same regardless of how

fast or slow the truck's going," he said.

With the salt issue taken care of, Harmon's next concern is manning his plow trucks.

The road commission will be advertising to hire at least three part-time snowplow drivers.

"Right now I've got one guy for every route, and if somebody gets sick with the flu and is gone for three days, I'm short a driver and that just complicates things horribly," Harmon said.

The road commission has approximately 20 drivers at any given time, but Harmon said he would like to have four or five more.

Harmon could not put an exact figure on the savings, but said he can cover his shortfall in labor much cheaper with part-time workers.

Another cost-cutting measure Harmon has taken was to contract the snowplowing of 1.61 miles in Ironton to a private contractor.

"I'd like to have more full-time guys on, but right now we just can't afford it," Harmon said.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously on Wednesday Nov. 12 to allocate \$60,000 to the Charlevoix County Road Commission to pay for the 21.5 percent increase in road salt prices for the upcoming winter season. Pictured here is the road commission's Ironton maintenance garage at 11705 Shaw Road in Charlevoix which will hold 3,000 tons of salt.

County could save \$150K on copays

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Seeking to mitigate the ever-increasing cost of medical insurance, Charlevoix County Commissioners could soon raise employee co-pay fees on prescription drugs.

The idea of raising co-pay rates from \$5 per prescription to \$10 for generic drugs and \$20 for premium brand drugs was discussed during the Charlevoix County Board of Commis-

sioners' Nov. 11 regular meeting.

"Nothing is changing on the insurance coverage whatsoever," said Charlevoix County Clerk and fiscal officer Cherie Browe. "We're just talking about increasing the cost of co-pays."

It costs \$511 monthly to insure one of the county's nearly 180 employees, and taxpayers spent \$1.7 million in 2008 on insurance to cover current employ-

ees and those employees who retired before Dec. 31, 1992.

Employees were notified of the impending decision via e-mail on Thursday Nov. 12.

"I understand that medical premiums are increasing," said Charlevoix County Planner Larry Sullivan who currently receives the county's health care plan.

"I would have to see their final proposal and see how that will impact the people

in my office."

Blue Cross/Blue Shield increased costs to the county by nearly 10 percent this year, which means the co-pay hike would come nearly \$20,000 short of covering this year's increase.

"We were lucky," Browe said. "Emmet County's (in-

surance costs) went up 25 percent."

While the measure remains tentative pending a likely vote during their 5 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 25, meeting, the commissioners are apparently unani-

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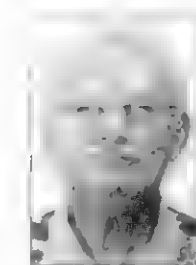
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Looking for the signs of winter



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

It seems to be the time of year when we look for signs of the future.

What will winter be like?

That is a prime question, and I have heard a dozen different predictions.

Some people put their faith in the number of berries on the mountain ash trees.

More berries means that the winter will be more severe, so the trees make more berries to feed the birds.

Others focus on the behavior of birds or the coloration of caterpillars.

Some examine the Farmer's Almanac.

Anyone can predict with confidence that winter will be colder than summer and that there will be snow.

But anyone or anything proposing to tell us just how cold it will be or exactly how much snow there will be and when it will arrive has the burden of trying to see into the future.

Beyond astronomical events like eclipses or the turning of the earth, the future remains stubbornly unknowable.

Birds and other animals do plan for the future, but they know no more about what it will be than we do. What the birds and we are mostly doing is looking at the past and saying that the future is likely to be pretty much like the past.

I begin my seasonal bird watching about now when the feeder has its first fill of bird, deer and squirrel food.

The nuthatches, titmice and chickadees spend time in the maple trees around the feeder.

They hop up and down along the small branches, picking up and eating something from the bark.

Whatever they are consuming is too small for me to see, but they pursue

whatever it is with considerable attention, carefully examining each branch.

There were more aphids than usual in those trees last summer, judging from all the aphid honeydew deposited on my vehicle. Remembering that, my first conclusion on what they were eating was based on how aphids get through the winter.

Aphids lay eggs at the end of summer, often only one egg per aphid.

The eggs are large compared to the size of the aphid, and should be good bird food, if the birds can find them.

Maybe those tiny birds are finding and eating aphid eggs good for us: fewer

aphids next year. And good for the birds if the eggs are unusually abundant.

A look at a few of my bird books suggested other possibilities. Many of those small birds actually store food before winter.

They hid small insects and seeds in crevices in the bark of twigs and are able to remember where they put them when winter arrives.

Maybe my local birds are just beginning to use their winter stash of extra food.

Does this suggest that the birds know about the future? They like we, know there has been cold and snow in past winters. Some of the birds even store their winter tidbits on the underside of

branches where their food will not be covered with snow or ice. They remember the snow and cold of previous winters, like they remember where their food stash is located, but they haven't a clue about how much snow or when it might arrive.

If they knew the future they would store more food for a severe winter than for a mild one, and they do not.

They store as much as they can every year.

It is all right to look for signs of what sort of winter we might have, but don't expect precise predictions from any bird or animal.

That includes the author of the Farmer's Almanac and the TV weatherman.

Columnist chronicles chronic tardiness



MORE OR LESS
Christine Gwidt

I swear. You're going to be late for your own funeral."

-- My mother, circa 1964.

The first time that my chronic tardiness inconvenienced anyone it was my original birthday and I was two weeks late.

I believe that had this unfortunate habit been nipped in the bud, perhaps I would arrive at appointments today in matching shoes with all of my clothing buttoned.

But my poor mother was so nervous when I was a toddler that she let the matter slide.

I don't want to demean her parenting skills.

It would have been difficult to

exercise authority over an eight pound bundle of soft bones.

And at the time, my schedule was flexible and didn't impinge upon the public at large.

But as I progressed from infancy through childhood and beyond, my ability to get it all together in a timely manner didn't develop.

Or rather, it did develop, just not quite far enough. I've whittled it down from two weeks to ten minutes and there it stands.

While the improvement is dramatic, I'll admit that it's still a problem.

I've failed to catch the beginning of countless movies, paid for missed doctor's appointments and disrupted meetings that were in full swing.

I have had to find new hair stylists, dog groomers and boyfriends.

I have starved dinner guests to the point where a boiled shoe would provoke lip-smacking anticipation.

I have met friends for a hike while wearing bedroom slippers and attended parties with my wet hair stuffed under a baseball cap.

It is the reason that I have to start a number of conversations with, "I am so, so sorry..."

Apparently, I am not alone in this time management-challenged predilection.

Many self-help books have been written on the subject. And, according to the authors, a lack of punctuality has cost the tardy jobs, relationships and promotions.

I have contributed to daily stress, loss of self-esteem and a reputation for being dizzy. True, true and true.

And yet the consequences of this affliction, though dire, have not been enough to shave that final ten minutes from my blast-off.

In her book, "Never Be Late Again: 7 Cures for the Punctually Challenged," San Francisco author Diana DeLonzor states that some are addicted to the rush.

"It's the same reason we like sports," she says. "The suspense. Are you going to make it?"

Usually not. I've repented this behavior as I drive 20 miles over the speed limit with my skirt flapping outside of the car

door, and I've come to a conclusion. My problem is this: I fervently believe that no matter how little time is left to me, I can still squeeze in one more task before Zero Hour.

I just know that I'll be able to wash all of the windows before my guests arrive and I'm convinced that it will only take a moment to dash off a pedicure.

I am supremely over-confident in my ability to complete lengthy projects in mere minutes despite repeated repercussions and evidence to the contrary.

I am desperately deluded and mistakenly optimistic.

But at least I'm in good company.

Celebrated wit and founding member of the 1920s Algonquin Round Table Robert Benchley is credited with saying, "Anyone can do any amount of work provided it isn't the work he's supposed to be doing at that moment."

I couldn't agree more. And I am so, so sorry.

E-mail Christine Gwidt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com

WEEKLY POLL

Are you planning to travel or stay home this Thanksgiving?

Home (47 Votes, 62%)

Travel (10 Votes, 10%)

This week's poll question:

It is recommended to enjoy public places and outdoors as much as possible if they should not be closed due to a health emergency plan.

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LETTERS to the editor

MIND YOUR MORALS

Editor,

As a commentary to Ms. Saltonstall's letter in the Nov. 11 Courier, she seems to have forgotten her Christian upbringing — and I was there with her at the time — where she learned that God's law and the natural law take precedence over man's laws.

Her tired old clichés regarding a woman's "right" to her body are selfish and sophomoric and are out of touch with reality.

The reality is that a "fetor" is a living human being, who is given by God to the parents with the intent to be born, loved, nurtured and raised to maturity.

Using "religion" as a club to marginalize an otherwise principled stand by Rep. Siu Pak, is a ruse to make the argument appear to be that of one person's religious preferences over another's.

We may all be disgusted with politics interfering with public morality, but the fact remains that we must elect and send morally principled men and women to our public offices in order to have an orderly and just society.

May the morally principled elected officials continue to speak out boldly, that they may be heard and understood, and that our society may recover its moral conscience.

Geoffrey A. Coleman
Denton, Neb. and
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LISTEN UP, LEGISLATORS

Editor:

On Nov. 21, school district budgets across the state will have to absorb another \$127 per-student cut in school funding for this fiscal year if nothing is done to stop it.

This is in addition to the \$165 per-student cut that we have already absorbed.

The additional \$127 per-student will cost Charlevoix Public Schools another \$150,000 in revenue for this school year.

As a result, unless legislative action to counter the cut occurs, we will have no choice but to find significant savings in our current year budget, and will have to cut at least one million dollars from next year's budget.

The legislature has the ability to fill the gap in the school aid budget, and they have repeatedly failed to do so. Governor Granholm and the legislature are in a chess match, and, sadly, our children are the pawns.

We need to act now, by contacting Senator Allen at senjallen@senate.michigan.gov and House Minority Leader, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer at kevinelsenheimer@house.mi.gov to express the following points:

The game of chicken that the legislature and the Governor are playing is placing our State's future in jeopardy.

Charlevoix Public Schools and other school districts

like ours cannot absorb the additional cut that the Governor is proposing with the proration. The cut will further diminish our ability to provide an adequate education to the children we are pledged to serve.

The structural deficit situation we face in our schools, and in Michigan, cannot be solved by cuts alone.

We expect you to work with your colleagues to develop short term and long term solutions to the structural deficit issues that are being faced by every school district and municipality in Michigan, and in the State's budgets as well.

We refuse to accept the premise that inaction is better than developing strategies to deal with the structural deficit issues we face, and we elected you to work with your colleagues and the Governor to develop those strategies.

Each day that you and your colleagues fail to work together to develop short and long-term strategies to ensure the health of public education and other important public services in Michigan, the situation worsens. We elected you to provide leadership for our region and our State, and we expect you to provide that leadership now. Michigan needs legislators, like you, to work together across party lines

to solve problems that will be insurmountable without bipartisan action. We know you are capable of doing the job and we expect you to start now.

Clinging to partisan ideology now, whether it is democratic or republican, will mean more of the same for our schools and our State, neither of which can manage the issues we face without your action.

We expect you to act now to work with your colleagues to address these issues.

You and your colleagues have known for months that the school aid budget would be difficult to develop, at best. Instead of working on the issues months ago, you waited until the midnight hour to develop a budget that was under-funded from the beginning.

The same holds true for the legislature's failure to address the structural deficit issues we continue to face, and have faced, for several years.

Not working together to address these issues positively has placed every school district and municipality in Michigan in peril. That is unacceptable.

If the additional cuts take place, three-fourths of all Michigan school districts will be deficit spending by the end of the year.

You can edit these talking

points in a fashion that meets your needs, but you can't fail to respond.

You can e-mail either Senator Jason Allen or Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, send them postcards with your personal note, or use the following website to take action now: <http://capwiz.com/mash/home/>

Each time we don't write or call our legislators, they get the false impression that we either approve of these actions or worse, we don't care.

We sincerely hope that you take the time necessary to let them know that we expect more than what they are giving us. We will, and we appreciate your company in that process.

Nicole Sterrett
President, Charlevoix Education Association
John McLean, Jr.
President, Charlevoix Board of Education
Chet Janik
Superintendent, Charlevoix Public Schools

WATCH FOR DEER
Editor:

Remember, motorists, that with fall and the hunting season

in full swing, deer populations will be on the move.

This activity heightens the chance of a car/deer crash occurring.

Last year more than 60,000 accidents in Michigan involved deer.

Most often, you'll see a deer near dawn or dusk.

Motorists are encouraged to look beyond the beam of their headlights for eyes of deer that may be near the path of your vehicle.

Trying to dodge a deer is not a good idea.

Deer often move erratically and swerving may cause you to lose control of your vehicle. The best way to avoid a deer/car collision is to slow your car down, flash your headlights and/or blow your horn to try and scare the animal.

Deer travel together, if you see one chances are others are coming so please proceed with caution.

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WEDDING announcement



Jessica Lynn Halverson and Bernie Anthony Rosendahl were united in marriage on Saturday, May 2, 2009 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix. Father Jerry Hunko and Father Jim Gardner officiated the double ring ceremony, followed by a reception at the Charlevoix Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Dennis and Joy Halverson of Charlevoix.

She is a 2000 graduate of Charlevoix High School and a 2005 graduate of Western Michigan University.

She is employed as a Staffing Specialist for Jackson National Life Insurance.

The groom is the son of Bernard and Mary Rosendahl of Marquette.

He is a 1997 graduate of Gwinnett High School and a 2001 graduate of Central Michigan University. He is currently employed as a Website Manager for Michigan State University Athletics.

Erica Kehr, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor, along with friends Jill Tabaczka and Amy Allen and cousin of the bride, Tiffany Sloan Fisher as bridesmaids.

Brett Rosendahl, brother of the groom, served as best man alongside Erik Halverson, brother of the bride, Evan Rosendahl, cousin of the groom and Jeremy Smith, friend of the groom as groomsmen.

Following their honeymoon in the US Virgin Islands, the couple is residing in Haslett, Michigan.



Marvelous Michigan

Charlevoix Elementary School principal Dick Swenor learns all about Michigan-made products such as the Kellogg's cereal which is made in Battle Creek. Students of Sara Jonker's third-grade class show Mr. Swenor what they've learned during their celebration of Marvelous Michigan Day on Friday Nov. 13 at the school. Swenor is pictured with Adam Hybl, Braeden Richards and Robbie Morgridge.

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50TH anniversary



NEIL AND JOANNE JONES

Mr. and Mrs. Neil H. Jones will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at a private family party on Saturday, Nov. 7, at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant in Charlevoix.

Neil H. Jones, son of Ford and Kathryn Jones, and Joanne Trew, daughter of JC and Marion Harvey and Glen Trew, were married Nov. 7, 1959, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Flint. The couple lived in South Lyon from 1959-1972, when they moved to Charlevoix.

Mr. Jones is a retired dairy farmer and now works summer maintenance at the Chicago Club in Charlevoix.

Mrs. Jones is a homemaker and helped on the farm. She also worked as a part-time secretary at Charlevoix Community Reformed Church.

Neil and Joanne love Charlevoix. Rayder sports and are active members of the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church. He is also an Ellsworth Farmers Exchange Co-op board member and she is the Marion Township zoning administrator.

They have four children: Kimberly (Rod) Stevens, Shari (Kent Seymour) Jones, Robert (Kelly) Jones, all of Charlevoix, and Bethany (Terry) Walters of Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones also have seven grandchildren, Ashley (Darwin) Sherlock, Nicholas (Katlynn Johnson) Jones and Jason Jones of Charlevoix, Kathryn, Kaylee and Robert Walters of Traverse City and Drew Seymour of Charlevoix.

They also have their dog, Molly, and seven granddogs they enjoy babysitting for: Wesley, Baguira, Apollo, Hobson, Buddy, Gypsy and Big Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones recently returned from a three-week train trip out West and through Canada to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.



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Celebrity serenade

Musician Steve Dawson plays acoustical favorites during the Celebrity Dinner fundraiser for the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce on Nov. 2 at the Lumberjack restaurant and bar in East Jordan.



Writers Group

Wednesday, 6:00 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with fellow writers.

Quilters

Thursday, November 19, 10:00 - 1:00 pm
1 in quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a monthly workgroup. Bring along your current fiber project and all the equipment you need, yes, you can make a quilt!

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura

Thursday, November 19, 10:30 am
Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays and spend time with friends and family.

Where the Wild Things Are!

Saturday, November 21, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading, come play, make crafts and have an over all wild time!

Handling the Holidays

Monday, November 23, 6:30 pm
Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holidays.

French

Conversation Circle
Tuesday, 12:00 - 1:15 pm
Le cercle français de conversation (French Conversation Circle) is an informal meeting of people interested

improving their French language

on the internet.

Scrapbookers

Saturday, November 28, 10:00 - 4:30 pm
Join this group of scrapbookers to get together to share, laugh and

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OBITUARIES

LeRoy Buchanan: Feb. 9, 1926 - Nov. 11, 2009

LeRoy Buchanan, 83, of Charlevoix, died Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

Funeral will be 1 p.m., Monday, Nov. 16, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, the Reverend Gayle Gennett officiating.

Visitation will be Sunday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

LeRoy was born Feb. 9, 1926,

in Decatur to Carl and Alice (Cramer) Buchanan.

He graduated from Decatur High School in 1944, and served in the US Navy during World War II from 1944-46.

On July 23, 1960, he married Janet L. Merchant in Traverse City.

LeRoy worked in the grocery business for 50 years.

In 1969, he moved to Charlevoix and managed Ole-

son's Food Store until he retired in 1992. LeRoy loved sports.

He coached women's fastpitch in Petoskey for 26 years.

In 2006, he was inducted into the Michigan Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame.

LeRoy was a member of the VFW Post #1153, and the American Legion Leslie T. Shapton Post #226 in Charlevoix.

LeRoy is survived by his wife, Janet of Charlevoix; children,

Brenda Buchanan and her son, Ayden of Sault Sainte Marie, Jim and Lisa Buchanan and their sons, Kyle, Aaron, and Justin of Grand Rapids, Rhonda Buchanan of Charlevoix, sister, Norma Lee Northrup of Decatur.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 1040 Walnut St. Traverse City, MI 49686, or to the Hiland Cottage, One Hiland Drive, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Eleanor (Pischner) Mooney: Died Nov. 7, 2009

Eleanor (Pischner) Mooney, 68, of Beaver Island passed away peacefully on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009 in her home, surrounded by her family.

She was born the oldest child of Elston and Lovioey (O'Donnell) Pischner on Beaver Island.

Eleanor was raised on Beaver Island, and after graduation moved to Arizona.

She returned to Michigan after marrying her island sweetheart, Don Mooney, two years later.

Don and Eleanor moved back to their hometown of Beaver

Island in 1978 to raise their six children, which included a set of twins. She was a dedicated wife and mother, who still found time to be a secretary and bookkeeper for the island's electrical business.

She enjoyed making trips to watch the boat come in (multiple trips per day), going for rides up to the point, and around the island to sight see.

In her spare time, she liked to put together jigsaw puzzles and complete word searches.

One of her greatest passions

was decorating her home for the holidays all throughout the year.

She loved to keep in touch with others through cards and letters.

Eleanor is survived by her loving husband of 48 years; children Duane (Greg), Sheri (Joe), Terry (Linda), Dawn (Bob), Roberta (Keith), and Darryl (Katie); brothers Richard and Don (Jan), and sister Kay; grandchildren Joey, Krystle, Bryan, Ronnie, Jordan, and Skylar; great-granddaughter Chloe; and many nieces and nephews.

Welcoming her to heaven with

open arms are her parents; brother Robert; sisters Sharon, Barb, and Helen; and daughter Rosemarie.

The funeral mass and celebration of her life will be held in the spring.

Details will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made the Beaver Island Medical Center. Eleanor will be greatly missed, not only by her family and close friends, but also by many others whose lives she has touched.



COURTESY PHOTO

Seen here is Bamburgh Castle in Northern England, the site of the Bamburgh Research Project where Boyne City resident Julie Kolehmainen had the opportunity to participate earlier this summer.

She really digs archaeology

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

Julie Kolehmainen describes herself as part history buff, part geek, part adventurer.

It's those traits that led her to what she calls her second career.

"I've always been a history buff, especially European history and the fall of the Roman Empire," said Kolehmainen. "This trip was really a life-changing experience."

This past July, Kolehmainen traveled across the Atlantic to volunteer on an archaeological dig in Northern England.

Kolehmainen and her husband are both retired engineers.

After several years of work-

ing in the auto industry, they moved north and opened the Subway in Boyne City.

"Over the years, I've become fascinated with archeology, and this April attended an archeology seminar at the University of Michigan," said Kolehmainen. "At the closing dinner, I started asking about how I could get involved."

When Kolehmainen returned home, she started researching summer archaeological digs, but most were already booked up.

She eventually found an opening with the Bamburgh Research Project.

"I spent two weeks in July volunteering at Bamburgh Castle, which lies north of Hadrian's Wall. The wall was in the furthest frontier region of the Roman Empire," said Kolehmainen.

"The castle is one of the most beautiful, preserved castles in England. It overlooks the North Sea and the beaches along this stretch were awe-inspiring.

During the two weeks, Kolehmainen and about twenty other students from around the world, learned various aspects of archeology, everything from using surveying equipment to identifying artifacts and cataloging finds.

"Towards the very end, I was working with a team of about four other people and we were digging and within about 15 minutes, I came across a two- to three-inch-long military looking piece," said Kolehmainen. "It had fossilized pieces on one side. The instructor said it was probably a medallion sewn

into a garment during the Anglo-Saxon era."

Kolehmainen also found a Saxon cross, beads, a horse-shoe nail, and a lot of animal bones. Another team found a hoard of Saxon coins, a knife blade, pieces of pottery and a number of other artifacts.

"Volunteers and students typically stay at a campground just outside of town, but I decided to act my age and stay at a bed and breakfast," Kolehmainen joked. "I was the oldest female there, most were college students. There was only one other non student and he was a little older than me."

Most nights, the volunteers and instructors would have a BBQ and campfire at the campsite. There, they would

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Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 85291 M-46 North Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Mike Wray 547-6410	ELLSWORTH WESLEYAN CHURCH Corner of Elm & Park • Ellsworth Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 588-7455
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Charlevoix High School A and B Honor Roll for the first marking period of the 2009-2010 school year. The "****" denotes all As.

9TH GRADE
Amstutz, Addison J.
Baidorff, Crystal D. **
Bonar, Cassidy N.
Boss, Ryder S.
Brandt, Maura E.
Brown, Melina M.
Carlson, Sydney E.
Catt, Tanner G.
Clee, Megan J.
Drewa, Desiree L.
Elowsky, Carolea K. **
Erkine, Justin M.
Givens, Haley A.
Glenny, Grace A.
Herboldshemer, Hannah M.
Herzog, Haley M.
Hybl, Katherine M.
Kaac, Shelby H.
Jelinek, Jordan A.
Markgraf, Taylor L.
Novotny, Chandler R.
Paramo, Katharine A.
Poirer, Paige N.
Reibel, Jarod M.
Rich, Joseph E.
Russell, Sawyer C.
Seymour, Drew R.
Shull, Rachel E.
Stevens, Bailey C.
Stevens, Kelsey M.
Thompson, Carly A.
Turkelson, Corbin T. **
Young, Christopher G.

11TH GRADE
Barnes, Abigail C.E.
Barron, Danielle M.
Bills, Hallie J.
Bonar, Brittany L.
Boss, Connor J.
Boss, Sherry M.
Cyr, Rachel M.
Drost, Wyatt P.
Fassett, Jordyn B.
Gotshall, Lynzie M.
Greene, Lacey M.
Hybl, Hannah E.
Klooster, Conrad L.
Klooster, Matthew J.
Knope, Braden S.
Larsen, William S.
Laway, Lindsay K.
Mays, Katie O.
McCarthy, Morgan A.
Mielke, Emily A.
Myers, Benjamin D.
Putman, Dylan J.
Rabe, Hanna J. **
Rieh, Thomas G.
Sell, Kathryn A.
Shea, John P.
Shutler, Brian M.
Sladek, Dylan J.
Smith, Taylor L.
Smolensky, Karinne M.
Wentz, Wade Z.
Whitley, April L.

Wimmer, Ryan N.

12TH GRADE

Agami, Cory A.
Baier, Dana L.
Blackburn, Christopher A.
Boss, Beau J.
Boss, Rachel M.
Boyko, Kaitlyn J.
Bradley, Shauna E.
Bryan, Caitlin R.
Chamberlain, Bailey L.
Dupuis, Caroline S.
Foster, Alexander B.
Fritsch, Amanda J.
Green, Sarah E.
Haske, Chelsey K.
Helmstrom, Casey
Ivan, William J.
Jeake, Madeline R.
Kelly, Jonathan D.
Kirby, Jenna R.
Klooster, Megan J.
Lamoreaux, Michael A.
Lobenberz, Alexandra C.
Menosky, Megan L. **
Mitchell, Clayton A.
Molter, Roberta E.
Moore, Chase R.
Moses, Erica L.
Oshaben, Nicholas D.
Pischner, Krista J.
Putter, Sarah C.
Reibel, Tricia L.
Reynolds, Douglas W.
Shenoskev, Raymond P.
Speigl, Nichole L.
Storm, Taylor L.
Putman, Francesca R.
Telgenhof, Allyson M.
Waldron, Amy L.
Waterman, Jacob A.
Way, Madison L.
Whitley, Gunnar J.
Wilkinson, Sara E.
Williams, Justin T.
Wise, Hannah M.
Young, Kathryn G.



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Cram it

Shabby Girls Salon & Day Spa is hosting the first-ever "Cram the Cooper" food drive. They will be accepting non-perishable food items for the Charlevoix Community Food pantry. Suggested items include dry cereal, canned fruit, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jams and jellies. The Cooper will be located in the Oleson's Grocery Store parking lot from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 21 and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday Nov. 22. Feel free to bring your items from home or stop in at Oleson's to purchase new items.

ohBOIX!

A collection of praises, awards and accomplishments of Charlevoix area people.

Central graduates
Central Michigan University is pleased to announce the following list of Summer 2009 graduates from the Charlevoix County area as follows:

Julie Feldkamp of Boyne City, a Masters of Arts Degree; Robert George of Boyne Falls, a Bachelor of Applied Arts Degree; Ruth Howell of Boyne Falls, a Master of Science Degree; Ronald Sober II of Charlevoix, a Bachelor of Science in Education Degree; and Jill Tabacka of Charlevoix, a Master of Arts Degree.

University of Montana Law School
A team from The University of Montana School of Law traveled to Boise, Idaho, Nov. 7 and 8, to compete in the regional American Bar Association Negotiation Competition.

UM's Negotiation Competition Team included Katie Mazurek of Charlevoix. The team competed in a field of 24 teams. This year's competition focused on employment law.

The UM team simulated representing an employee in nego-

tations with his employer about returning to work after time away on medical and family leave. Each successive round overlaid the discussions with increasingly complex issues and disputes.

UM team members Mazurek and Rossi were unable to duplicate their appearance in last year's quarterfinal round.

"With 24 teams competing, we knew it was going to be much harder to get a repeat," Mazurek said. "But it was a wonderful learning experience, especially for our new team members."

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Anyone who has special needs or information to be brought before the NCCMH Board should contact Joan Booth at (231)347-7890.

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THAT'S MY PHOTO!

The photos on this page taken by Charlevoix residents and visitors were submitted to the Charlevoix Courier for this monthly feature. Photos can be dropped off at the Courier office at 112 Mason Street or e-mailed to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Information about the photographer and photo, including when it was taken and a brief description of what is pictured must also be submitted.



Honk if you're heading south

This photo was submitted to That's My Photo by Charlevoix's Tom Conlan. Pictured is a group of cranes flying over a field.



Caught blue-handed

Traver Wood caught a blue heron sneaking around the new trout stream feature down at East Park. Perhaps the bird was looking for an easy meal.



Stormy seas

Joe Smith of Charlevoix got a wide shot of St Marys cement hauler the Challenger on a stormy evening at sunset recently.



Late for work

Courier Editor Benjamin Gohs caught this picture of what looks like a midnight sun one morning while rushing home to retrieve some forgotten papers. It is actually the sun rising over the south arm of Lake Charlevoix on a fall morning.



Lone light

Annie Russell of Charlevoix snapped a picture of the lighthouse at Lake Michigan Beach. To have your photos published in the Charlevoix Courier, send them to news@charlevoixcourier.com. Mark them for "That's My Photo" and please include any pertinent information about the photographer, subject, date and location.

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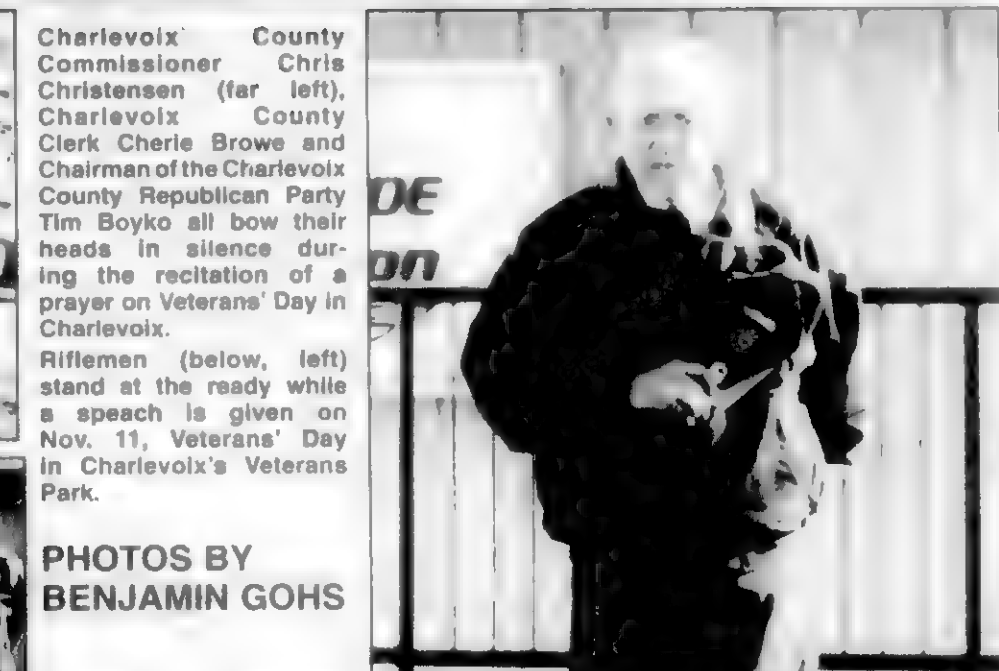
VETERANS' DAY

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Trumpeters (left) play Taps following a 21-gun salute during the Veterans' Day observance on Nov. 11 in Charlevoix's Veterans Park.

Standing with the color guard, hat over heart, is Emory Sloan, (below) father of Army Major Douglas E. Sloan, who was killed in Afghanistan.



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BENJAMIN GOHS

Ellsworth closed due to illness

On Monday Nov. 16, Ellsworth Schools officials notified more and more of their students getting sick, and decided to close.

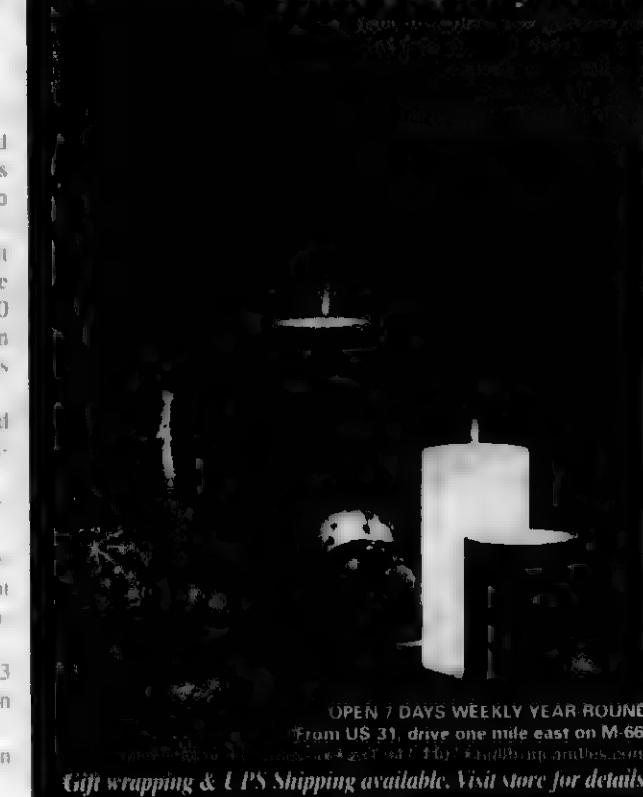
"In the morning we had about 20 percent out sick, and by the end of the day we had close to 30 percent, so we made the decision to close," said Ellsworth Schools Superintendent Lynn Spearing. The school will remain closed for three days in hopes of the illness running its course.

"We will be disinfecting thoroughly," Spearing said. Ellsworth is the latest in a series of school closings in recent weeks apparently due to influenza.

Ellsworth Schools have 223 students from kindergarten through 12th grade.

Ellsworth Schools will reopen on Friday Nov. 20.

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Turkey day dunk continues

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Some of them are nearly naked when they line up on the frigid shoreline of Lake Michigan each November.

And the number of those brave or crazy enough to jump in continues to grow. "It's good fun," said John McNabb, co-founder of the Eighth Annual Thanksgiving Day Swim.

"It's a great way to give thanks on Thanksgiving and this year we have eight other Elks Lodges confirmed around the state, and they'll be swimming at their individual (home city) lodges."

The tradition began with a bet between McNabb's now 17-year-old son Doug McNabb and a family friend, a local builder.

"The builder didn't show up to I swam with my son and we did it every year," he said.

"The third year, someone overheard us and said if you're going to swim in Lake Michigan why don't you do it as a charity fundraiser."

From then on the event has been just that.

"The first year we did it for cancer survivors. The second year we did it for a woman in a terrible car accident who, after 24 plus surgeries later was able to walk down to the water's edge with us last year," he said.

Boyne to Bamburgh

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laugh, tell stories, and even act out scenes from Star Wars. "I'm still in contact with some of them," said Kolehmainen. "We're all a bit geeky in some way — there were a lot of punk rockers, Star Wars and Star Trek fans. I fit right in."

Kolehmainen is already planning her trip for next summer.

"I would encourage anyone who has a dream to do it. It's a little intimidating at first, but you learn quickly and you get dirty right away," said Kolehmainen. "History is my passion and I feel like I've found my second career."

For more information on the Bamburgh Research Project, visit www.bamburghresearchproject.co.uk.

McNabb said. "We have raised over \$10,000, and hopefully, by taking this statewide, we will be able to raise \$20,000 from the eight lodges that are sponsoring this with us."

This year's charity is the Michigan Elks Major Project which helps children with special needs get the medical treatments they need.

There is no fee or paper-work necessary to participate in the swim which begins at 11 a.m. on Thursday Nov. 26.

However, people are asked to donate a voluntary amount to help the event's selected charity.

Participants are advised to arrive between 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 to get ready for the swim, which usually takes approximately three minutes before it is all over.

Members of the Charlevoix Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks Lodge #2856 will be offering hot cocoa and coffee for donations.

"Get there early because we take the plunge at 11 a.m. and it's over fast," McNabb said. "Three strokes counts as a swim."

Those wishing to donate money or sponsor another swimmer should call McNabb at (231) 622-2660.



FILE PHOTO

The victims, rather, the participants in this 2007 file photo show John McNabb (center) pushing out of an icy November Lake Michigan. McNabb and his son Doug founded the event, which started with a bet, nearly eight years ago. Each year the McNabbs and a growing number of participants line up at 11 a.m. on Thanksgiving to plunge into the waters at Lake Michigan Beach. Each swimmer is sponsored and the proceeds go to a different charity every year.

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Brandon Danbert, Jack Danbert and Carl Kroenicki of Ellsworth drop by the Front Porch Cafe for food and fellowship.

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The Front Porch is a non-profit community café that provides an inviting local place to eat, drink and fellowship in Ellsworth.

The restaurant "feels like home," said Alana Haley, program committee member.

"It's a real comfortable place to be."

The ministry based restaurant is dedicated to strengthening community, to provide a venue for spiritually significant conversation, and to make connections for the purpose of meeting needs.

The Front Porch has an ongoing need for volunteer help, and financial contributions to help pay off the building within the terms of

the 5-year, no-interest loan they have been given.

Determination of 501(c)3 tax exempt status was granted by the IRS in August of 2009.

To volunteer, please ask for a volunteer application at the Front Porch. To donate, please contact Bob Felton at (231) 350-1817.

For more information about this local anomaly visit frontporchellsworth.com.

Exploring Options for Protecting Our Bay

OPTION: Continue trucking water to the Grand Traverse Water Treatment Facility for treatment and disposal into Grand Traverse Bay.

Of the approximately 150,000 gallons of water collected each day as part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, about 60,000 gallons of the water is carried by tanker truck from the Bay Harbor development and East Park, south on US 31, to the Grand Traverse Water Treatment Facility. Each truck carries up to 11,500 gallons of water, weighs about 75 tons and makes a 140 mile round trip to dispose of the water. Once the water reaches Traverse City, it is treated and mixed with other wastes before it is released into Grand Traverse Bay.

Using the Grand Traverse Water Treatment Facility to dispose of the collected water is an option supported by science (approved discharge permits). However, this option relies primarily on mixing to meet mercury discharge standards. Mixing is a method used by waste water treatment plants across the state and country to meet discharge requirements. Mixing means the waste water is diluted so that the overall concentration of mercury is lower, but it does little to reduce the actual amount of mercury entering the lake. Additionally, the 140 mile round trip adds to congestion and wear and tear on local roads, and increases the potential for traffic accidents. Environmental gains also are offset by the known negative environmental impacts of truck traffic. Currently about 300,000 miles a year are driven just between Petoskey and Traverse City on Northwest Michigan roads to accomplish what can be accomplished locally. In addition, this option is neither a cost-effective nor a local solution to the question of how to treat the collected water.

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County to save money while keeping quality benefits

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mous in their intention to pass it.

"When I look at the savings by doing this I think

it's a good thing," said Charlevoix County Commissioner Shirley Roloff (R-District 6).

"If we can save the taxpayers money without charging them (employees)

"What do we tell the taxpayers if we pass on this opportunity?"

CHRIS CHRISTENSEN,
CHAIRMAN OF THE CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD

anything else, then I think this is a good step we're taking."

Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners Chairman Chris Christensen (R-District 2) said he un-

derstands some employees may be disappointed by the potential increase, but he cannot pass on the projected savings.

"What do we tell the tax

Valerie Meyerson recognized for years of service

AWARD

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ber of duties at the library, including managing the facility, staffing, budgeting, publicity and customer relations.

Before coming to Charlevoix, Meyerson worked at libraries in Wixom, Michigan and Denver, Colorado.

But she didn't always envision a career as a librarian.

"I graduated from the University of Colorado Boulder with a degree in business," said Meyerson.

"I didn't know what I wanted to do."

Meyerson considered a career in teaching, but felt the classroom wasn't the right fit.

After meeting a librarian in Colorado, she started looking into a career in library science.

"I met with some people in the library science department at Wayne State University and it just clicked, I said to myself, 'This is it, I love it, it's the perfect thing for me,'" said Meyerson.

In 1988, Meyerson received her master's degree in library science.

"My job really is the perfect fit for me because I get to use a lot of my business

skills here at the library," said Meyerson.

When she's not working, Meyerson enjoys spending time with her husband and two children. She's an avid skier and races on a league each winter.

Meyerson believes the award is not just a reflection of her efforts, but that of her entire staff.

"I have the best staff around, we all have the same idea of what we're trying to do," said Meyerson.

"We're all trying to be the best we can to support our customers and our community."



Executive Director of the Charlevoix Public Library Valerie Meyerson (left) is pictured at the library holding her award for excellence.

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97.5 percent of airport expansion cost paid by FAA, state



FILE PHOTO
Charlevoix Municipal Airport manager Matt Bailey is seen at the airport in this undated file photo.

AIRPORT

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feet — which would nearly double the current facility size — for a total cost of \$3,000,000, \$2,850,000 of which could be paid for by the grant.

New runway construction in 2017, for a total cost of \$1,000,000, \$950,000 of which could be paid for by the grant.

Designer Mark Buday, advised by the airport steering committee, unveiled his proposed schematic which included a waterfall and fireplace, small eatery and increased restrooms, in addition to more room for storage, parking and commercial space for two air

carriers.

Buday asked for, and was granted, a work session with council members slated for early next month.

"We want to make sure this has the look city council wants," he said.

Steering committee member Don Seelye opposed the expansion plan.

"The thing that bothers me is the question that has never been asked: Do we need the terminal building changed?" he said. "The building we have is too big. It's empty now."

Carlson said in addition making room for more than one air carrier at the airport, the airport could generate more revenue with the expansion.

By building longer runways, planes may take on more fuel. The more fuel they buy at Charlevoix Municipal Airport, the more money the city earns on fuel surcharges.

Since the airport has been a contentious issue with some in the past, council said they will work to educate the public ahead of making any drastic decisions.

"The general concept with the new terminal expansion is to promote commercial activity," Straebel said. "The current facility is extremely limited."

The city council work session on the proposed airport

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Class of '79

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Orange Sox

Pictured are the 2009 Charlevoix Orange Sox. Kneeling (front, from left) are Zach Nickel, Serenity Gullings, Joshua House, Jacob Walsh-Emerson, Thomas Arnold, Katherine Wagner (second row, from left) Cameron Vrontran, Chason Vrontran, Hannah Gullings, Micayle Vrontran, Emma Buday (back, from left) assistant coach Ty Wagner, assistant coach Scott, coach Dan Buday and, missing from the photo, is Caleb Stuck.

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Made in the mitten

To celebrate Marvellous Michigan Day, students Bailey Birdsall (left) and David Smith help Charlevoix Elementary teacher Sara Cowan set up a table of Michigan-made cereals. The Friday Nov. 13, celebration was the culmination of a month of studying Michigan's products and services.

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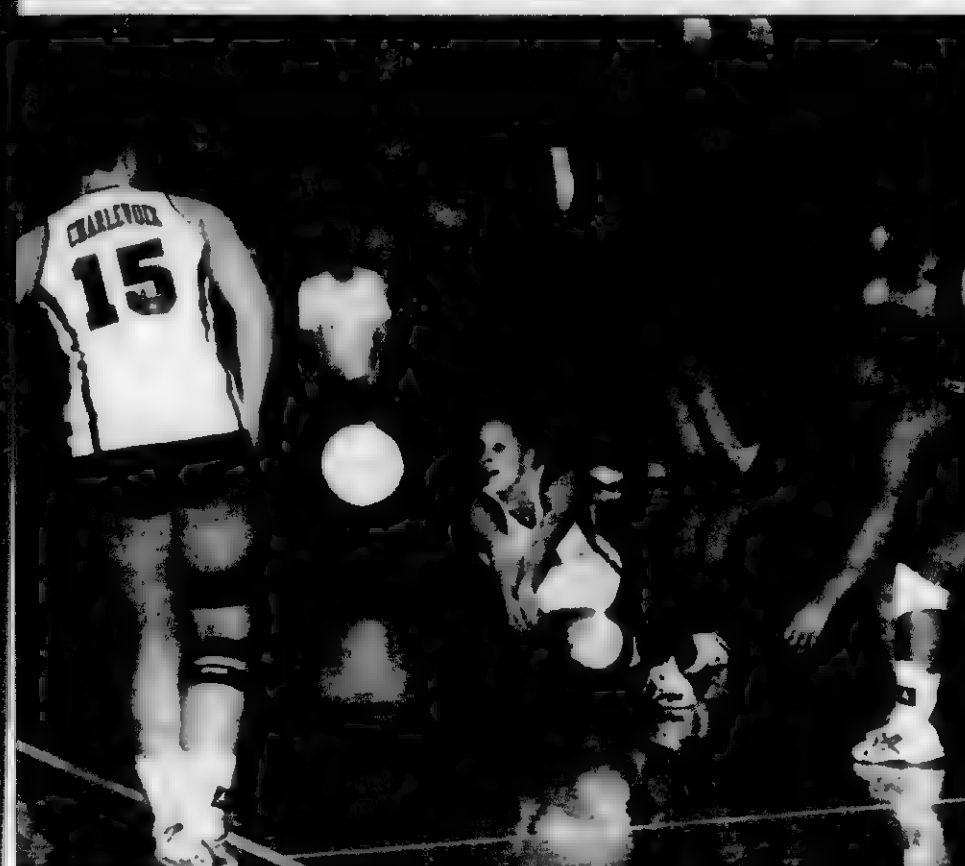


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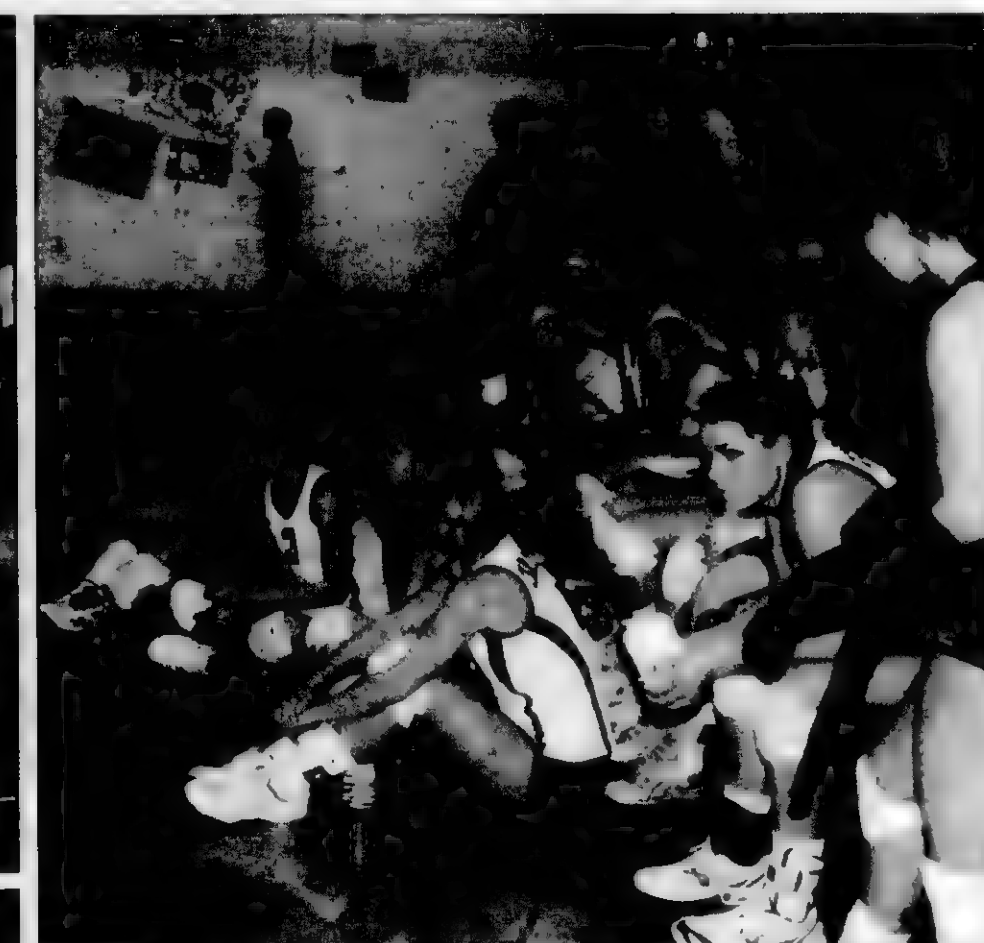
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SPORTS reviewing the action



Jenna Way's effort to get to the ball falls short in their regional title loss to McBain last week.



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Jenna Way (above, left) digs for the ball while Sarah Potter #15 and Taylor Storm look on. Charlevoix's team (above, right) reacts to its regional loss to McBain 26-24, 25-21, and 25-21.

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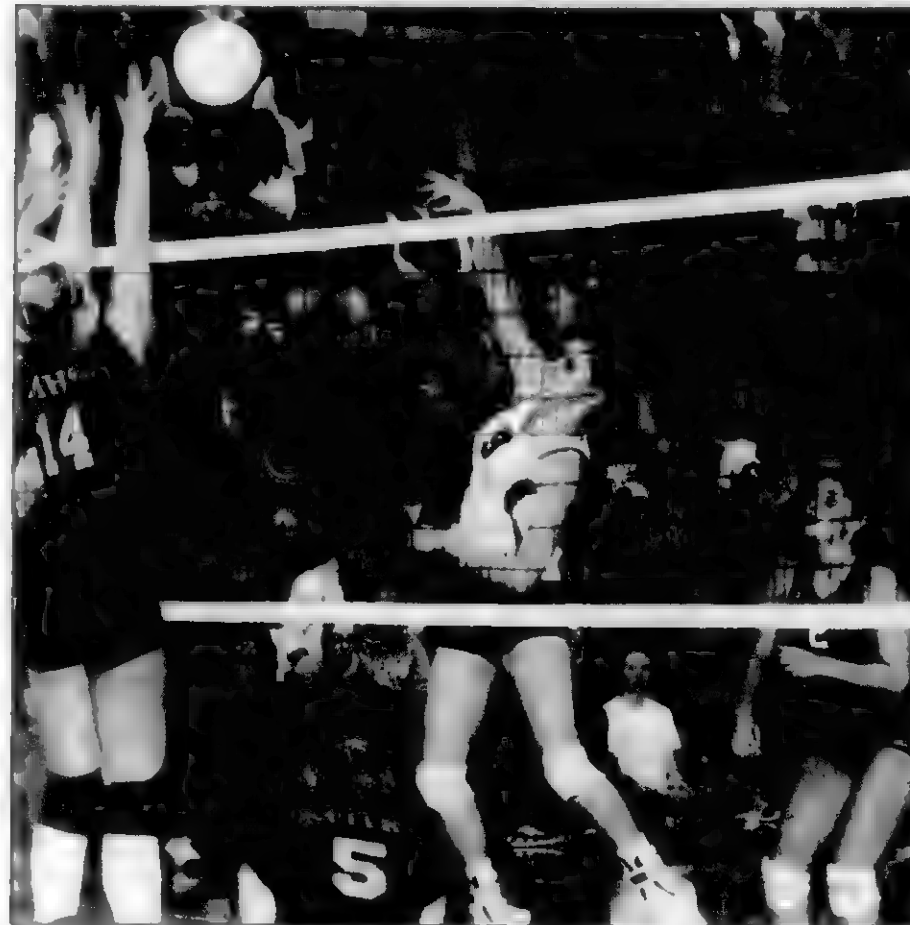
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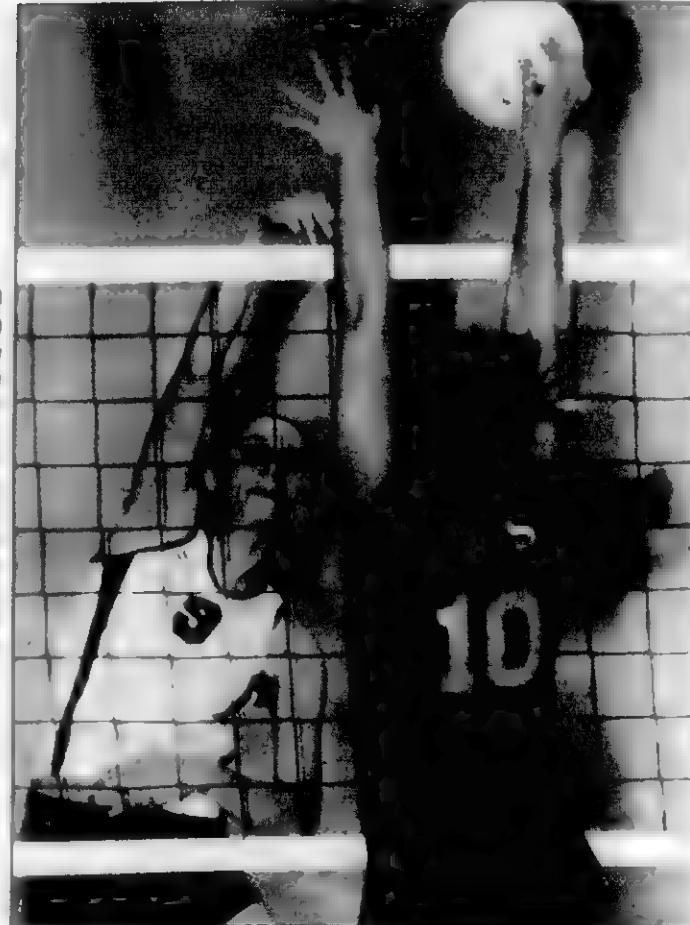
SPORTS reviewing the action



Rayder girls lose at districts

Charlevoix's number 9 Allison Hankins (left) spikes the ball over the net to McBain's Maggie Bekkem, number 5 and Danielle Hoekwater number 14. Allison Hankins was busy during the game as she is seen (right) once again spiking the ball over McBain's Gabrielle Eurich, number 10 while Allison's team mate Sarah Potter, number 15 looks on.

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Good Medicine

Pictured here at the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce's November Business After Hours on Thursday Nov. 12 are the owner and staff of Michigan Sports Medicine (front, from left) owner Joel Smith, Abbie Hart, Joelle Beaudoin, (back, from left) Lisa Herriman, Amy Beaudoin, Amy Bartling and Kns Way. The company, which has eight locations throughout Northern Michigan, sponsored the event at their Charlevoix clinic located at 06510 M 66 in the Kmart Plaza.

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Adoption gives the gift of family

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"Some mommies carry their babies in their tummies, other mommies carry their babies in their hearts."

Mable Carson, Charlevoix resident, mother of four — soon to be five — and seasoned adoptive parent tells her children this as often as she can.

"It's important that they know, regardless of whether I carried them in my tummy or not, that I am their mother and have loved them their whole lives," she said.

What began for Mable and Brian Carson with the adoption of their son Levi over nine years ago has grown into, "the way we build our family," Carson said. "There are so many children in this world that do not have parents," she says, "they have no one ... we have a lot of love to give, and we can provide for them."

Both capable of having biological children, Mable and Brian have been married for over seven years and have two biological children of their own, Logan and Noah.

However, when the opportunity presented itself to pursue the option of adoption, the Carsons knew they could provide a loving and caring home for any child.

The solution was obvious, adoption seemed the ideal way to grow their family.

Like many adoption cases the Carson's journey has not been without its bumps in the road.

Their second adoption experience, in which Mable and

"I just simply can't imagine life without her, or any of my other children for that matter."

MABLE CARSON,
ADOPTIVE MOTHER

Brian traveled to Sierra Leone and went through the whole adoption proceedings ended in a failed adoption when the United States denied their little girl's Visa.

Persistent and determined to give a loving home to a little girl and add a daughter to their family, the Carsons persisted and brought their daughter, Paige, home from Liberia in 2006.

This month, in fact, marks Paige's three year anniversary as a member of the Carson family. "It's wonderful," Carson said. "I just simply can't imagine life without her, or any of my other children for that matter."

Eager to give their daughter a playmate, and add another girl to the family tree, the Carsons are in the process of their fourth adoption, working with an organization by the name of International Adoption Guides, out of South Carolina.

Assuming all goes according to plan, they hope to bring 5-year-old Mehret home from Ethiopia early this spring.

Despite the distance, the Carsons are able to keep in regular contact with Mehret through other parents traveling over to Africa to pick up their own adoptive children.

"Every month, parents are traveling to bring their children home," Carson said. "Through them we are able to stay in con-

tact with her, send her little gifts and get photos of her, it really makes the distance and the time we have to wait go by so much easier."

For the Carsons, however, spring cannot get here soon enough.

It's a game of patience, Carson explained. "It's difficult, but we are confident that she is in good health and safe," she said. "We cannot wait to bring her home."

"From physical appearances," Carson said, "it's obvious that some of my children are adopted."

Confident and assertive in their decision to grow their family by means of adoption, the Carsons are eager and willing to discuss the adoption, the process, the ups, downs and even the more personal and difficult aspects of the experience with anyone.

To other families considering the option of adoption, they encourage everyone to, "think outside the box, explore your options and don't let the financial worries or other fears prevent you from pursuing something that may be so right."

Carson added, "If you really have a heart for a child, whether you are single, or married ... regardless of your socio-economic status, if you really have a heart for a child, you've got to pursue it."



PHOTO BY CAROL SULLIVAN
Pictured at Lake Michigan Beach is the Carson family (from left) Logan, Levi, Mable, Paige, Brian and Noah Carson.

Rayders win at quiz bowl

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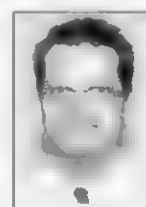
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band and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citicorp Trust Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated November 26, 2007, and recorded on December 6, 2007 in Liber 829 on Page 323, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Citicorp Mortgage, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One and 27/100 Dollars (\$97,981.27), including interest at 8.5037% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 18, 2009.

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ments to OneWest Bank, FSB as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight and 16/100 Dollars (\$16,338.16), including interest at 4.208% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 18, 2009.

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Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 11, Block 14, Nichol's Second Addition to the Village of South Lake, now East Jordan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 43, Charlevoix County Records. Also the West 8 feet of the vacated alley that abuts said lot as recorded in Liber 47, Page 130, Charlevoix County Records.

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NOTICE is hereby provided to Daniel J. Dunlop and Reannan B. Dunlop, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 1304 Lakeshore Hts., Boyne City, MI 49712-8825.

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The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at 1-800-454-5405, including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 4, 2009.

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Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made Fairport Docks, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, to The Private Bank and Trust Company, an Illinois banking corporation, successor in interest by merger to The Private Bank, a Michigan state chartered bank, dated February 28, 2001, and recorded March 6, 2001, in Liber 410, Page 643, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Forty Thousand, Three Hundred Ten and 55/100 (\$240,310.55), including interest at 11.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place for holding the Circuit Court within Charlevoix County, Michigan, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on Friday, December 18, 2009.

Said premises are situated in the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Unit 9, FAIRPORT WEST YACHT CLUB CONDOMINIUM, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 327, Pages 301 through 328, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and amended by the First Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 335, Pages 587 through 588, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and further amended by the Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 337, Pages 342 through 346, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and further amended by the Third Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 339, Pages 939 through 942, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and further amended by the Fourth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 349, Page 96 inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and further amended by the Fifth Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 356, pages 345 through 350, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 56, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and amendments thereto, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

Parcel Identification No. 15-52-383-004-00. Commonly Known As: Unit 9 Fairport West Yacht Club, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 5, 2009.

The Private Bank and Trust Company
 38505 Woodward Avenue,
 Suite 1300
 Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304
 Mortgagee

Kenneth A. Alaska, Esq.
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Said premises are situated in the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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2100 LEGAL NOTICES **NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)**

NOTICE is hereby provided to Harmon Grubbs, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at 4133 Boyne City Rd. Boyne City, MI 49712-9216.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trotter & Trotter, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1312.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. A toll-free number is 1-800-968-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from November 13, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after November 13, 2009.

Said premises are situated in the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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Date: November 18, 2009.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE **Case No. 08-0339-22-CH**

Notice of Judicial Foreclosure Sale on a Consent Judgment for Foreclosure and Other Relief Against Defendants Thomas C. Miller and Denise M. Miller.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the terms of a Consent Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan signed and filed on September 14, 2009, in the case of Stock Building Supply, LLC, et al., Plaintiffs v Delta Acquisitions LLC, et al., Defendants, Case No. 08-0339-22-CH, wherein, among other things, the Court allowed the foreclosure of a mortgage granted by Thomas C. Miller and Denise M. Miller to Marfax Corporation on May 8, 2006 and recorded May 16, 2006 in Liber 746, Pages 732 through 742, Charlevoix County Records, and which was amended on March 22, 2007 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix, and State of Michigan, on April 2, 2007 in Liber 787, Pages 725 through 727, Charlevoix County Records in an attempt to satisfy a monetary judgment in the amount of \$434,987.86 against those mortgagors, jointly and severally, through the date of first publication of this Notice.

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2100 LEGAL NOTICES **NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)**

NOTICE is hereby provided to Stephen A. Reinhardt, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at 1192 St. E. Rd. Boyne City, MI 49712-9638.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trotter & Trotter, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1312.

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 18, Town 34 North, Range 7 West; thence along the West line of said section, North 07°06'27" West 97.71 feet (recorded as North 07°02'53" West 96.95 feet) to a concrete monument on the Northwest line of Highway U.S. 31; thence along said highway line, North 57°19'07" East (recorded as North 57°19'12" East) 1589.72 feet; thence South 00°19'19" East 147.98 feet to the construction centerline of said highway; thence along said centerline, North 57°19'07" East 664.70 feet to the Southern extension of easement described in Liber 264, Page 491, Charlevoix County Records; thence along the centerline of the aforementioned easement and Southern extension thereof, North 02°12'10" West (recorded as North 02°08'49" West) 145.04 feet to the Northwest line of said highway; thence along the centerline of said easement, North 02°12'10" West (recorded as North 02°08'49" West) 41.56 feet; thence continuing along the last described course, North 00°13'50" West (recorded as North 00°10'30" West) 958.29 feet; thence South 89°26'28" West 413.80 feet; thence South 44°07'15" West 88.73 feet; thence along the arc of a curve to the right 150.56 feet (radius of said curve is 280.00 feet, the central angle is 30°48'32" and the chord bears South 24°29'09" East 148.75 feet); thence along the arc of a curve to the left 99.46 feet (radius of said curve is 90.00 feet, the central angle is 25°54'06" and the chord bears 22°01'56" East 98.61 feet); thence South 34°59'00" East 5.88 feet, being the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing South 34°59'00" East 61.01 feet; thence South 64°48'04" West 152.21 feet; thence North 34°59'00" East 41.02 feet; thence along the arc of a curve to the right 31.59 feet (radius of said curve is 370.00 feet, the central angle is 04°53'29" and the chord bears North 32°32'15" West 31.58 feet); thence North 69°09'03" East 153.29 feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 18, Town 34 North, Range 7 West.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. A toll-free number is 1-800-968-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from November 12, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after November 12, 2009.

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Date: November 18, 2009.

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Hospice holiday cards
Get your holiday cards while helping Hospice of Northwest Michigan

NO BRUSH PICKUP

Due to the cost of insurance, the amount of extra work for the employees and the hazard it presents it has been decided by the Charlevoix Township Board to discontinue this service. Residents may call one of the local tree services for chipping or get a burn permit to burn brush. The number to call for the permit is 547-2276.

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD

At 10:30 a.m. there is a Sunday service with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. A nursery is provided. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights is "Worship and Intercession" with live music.

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights is Family Night with adult study, a youth group, Calvary Kids and a nursery.

The Food Pantry and Tabitha's Closet clothing ministry is open by appointment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

Call 547-6430 for more information.

FIRST LIGHT WORSHIP

First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday morning in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall.

This is a great time to make new friends while coming together to worship Jesus in an informal atmosphere.

For more information call 547-9122.

JEOP CLUB

Anyone interested in forming a Jeop club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbennett@foxmotors.com. There is no cost to join.

LADIES SWIM

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim is from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Patty Sizema at 547-5190 for more information.

EXHIBIT

Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays through the end of the year except for Christmas and Thanksgiving. The side office door facing the bank is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct society business or purchase store items during off hours.

Phone 547-4033 or go to www.chxhistory.com for more information.

FREE LUNCH

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huron St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

CHARLEVOIX SKATEPARK

The skatepark is closed. Scrapbooking
Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcinski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

FOUR FIRES NATIVE TALKING CIRCLE

Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome. do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 1205 US 11 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

BM

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge, 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

SAILING CLUB

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Where the Wild Things Are Party, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 21: Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading of Where the Wild Things Are and come play games, make crafts and have a wild time.

• Handling the Holidays, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 23: Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holiday season. Bereavement counselors will address your grief to help make your holidays and special occasions brighter.

CCA

Various events are scheduled

by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

• 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Marcie Vargas holds a five-week writers' workshop on Nov. 18, and Dec. 2, 9 and 16. Cost is \$30. Bring a notebook and writing utensil.

BLOOD DRIVES

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 19 at the Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St. in Charlevoix.

NOV. 19

HUNT FOR THE CURE

Pat McKeown Ford's Lincoln Mercury Warriors in Pink and Charlevoix Area Hospital's Circle of Strength are partnering to Hunt for the Cure. From 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at Pat McKeown Ford, US 31 South in Charlevoix.

For every woman who test-drives a Lincoln Mercury Vehicle, \$20 will be donated to "Susan G. Komen for the Cure". There will be food, wine, free table and chair massages, "Ask the Dietitian" booth, sushi demonstrations and tasting, Zumba demonstrations by Christi Romanan a free class from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. There will be authentic jewels hidden in some of the cars that those who test-drive them will be able to keep.

AFGHAN ANGELS

From 10 a.m. to noon, more than 100 afghans will be on display at the United Way of North-

west Michigan conference room. The afghans have been made by "Afghan Angels" a group of volunteers from the RSVP "A Call to Action" program at the Volunteer Center and will be donated to shut in seniors in Leelanau and Grand Traverse counties. Refreshments will be served at the open house.

SENATOR ALLEN IN TOWN

State Sen. Jason Allen will be in Boyne City from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Nov. 19 at the Boyne District Library, 201 East Main St., Boyne City.

NOV. 20

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

Co-ed volleyball teams are forming. Forms are available at the recreation department in the lower level in Charlevoix City Hall.

Forms due by Friday Nov. 20. Games will begin the week of Nov. 30. Call 547-3253 for more.

NOV. 20 THROUGH DECEMBER

Substance abuse recovery classes.

The Charlevoix Alano Club will be hosting a monthly "Substance Abuse and Recovery Community Education Series" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of each month beginning on Nov. 20 at the Alano Club, 106 Mason St. Club director Scott Kelly, who has more than 23 years of professional experience as a substance abuse professional, will facilitate the meetings.



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Extra! Extra!

Be on the look-out for an extra thick, extra special edition of Charlevoix Courier, Petoskey News-Review and Gaylord Herald Times this coming Thanksgiving week. Pictured here, Courier Advertising Manager Klm Taylor works diligently at her desk.

Nov. 20's program is "Knowing the Signs: Recognizing and Identifying Drugs"; Dec. 18's program is "Not What the Doctor Ordered" about the growing problem of prescription drug abuse.

There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome to help fund the club's numerous programs.

The event is open to the general public. Call 547-1144 for more information.

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NOV. 21

Lobster Special
Friday, Saturday & Sunday
1-1/4lb. Live Maine Lobster
\$18.95 for November
(excludes Birthday Discount)

TOYS FOR TOYS
Bring in a Toy for Toys for Tots and receive
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Weekly Specials
Mondays - **Marshall Mondays** - Buy 1, get 2nd for 1!
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EVENTS

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mediately due to limited seating. Call 347-5747 or e-mail your RSVP to frieda@compnor.com

FAMILY VOLUNTEER DAY

Family volunteer day is a day of service designed to demonstrate the power of families who choose to volunteer together to support the communities in which they live and serve. Contact the United Way of Northwest Michigan Volunteer Center at 947-3200 or e-mail Volunteer Center Coordinator Amanda Hilt at amanda@unitedwaynwmi.org for family volunteer opportunities in your area.

ADOPTION INFORMATION

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 21, there will be a "Get to know adoption" event with information on all aspects of the practice. Call 237-9880 for more information.

NOV. 21

COMMUNITY DINNER

The Charlevoix Ministerial Association is planning to hold the 3rd Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner from Noon to 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 26 at the Charlevoix Assembly of God Church, 5291 N. M-66. All are welcome and the meal is provided at no charge.

To help with dinner, call Joy at 547-4813 or to arrange a ride, call Gay at 547-1344.

NOV. 28

ART OPEN HOUSE

Bier Art Gallery will be hosting a holiday open house from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 28. The art gallery is located six miles south of Charlevoix at the red and white schoolhouse. Refreshments will be available.

sale at Mt. McSaub.

MARCH 13, 2010

Rotary St. Patrick's Day party at Castle Farms.
Details to follow.

COMMODITY PICK-UP

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to homebound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

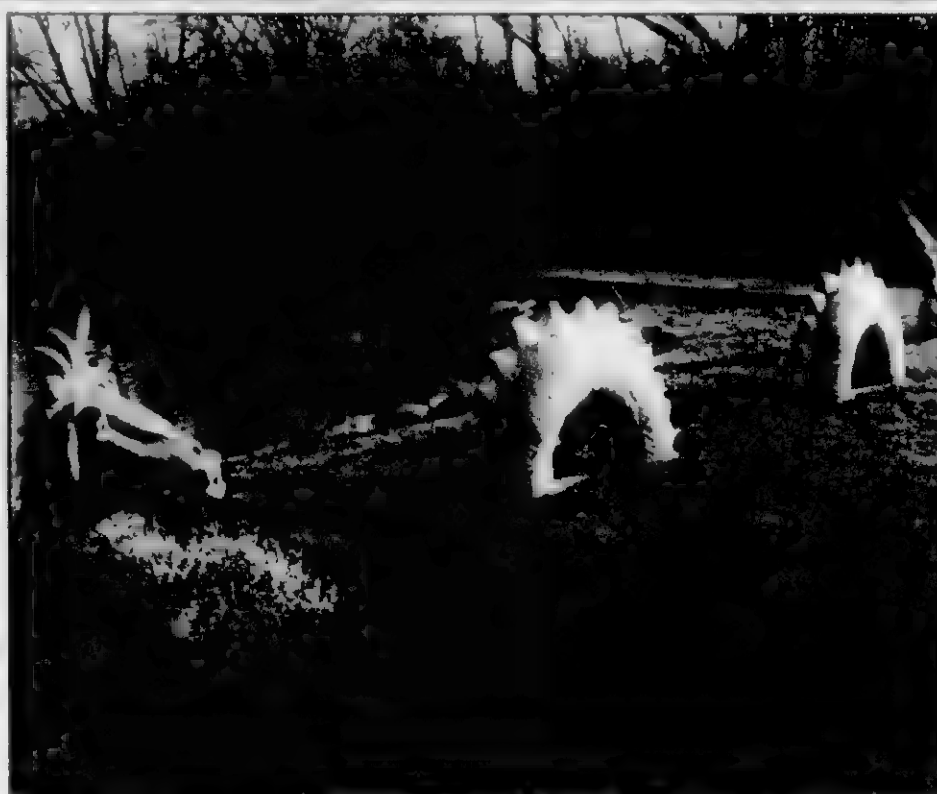
Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

SALE ON SNOW SPORTING GOODS

There will be a ski and snowboard sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 21 and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 22. Boots, boards, skis, clothing and season passes will be up for



COURTESY PHOTOS



She named him 'Sid'

Sharon Peters (left) was the winner of the Castle Farms of Charlevoix's "Name the Sea Monster" contest. Peters named the sea monster "Sid" and it stuck. Sid can be seen on the east lawn of the Castle near the pond.

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Thanksgiving Day Buffet

What a feast! Enjoy an attended carving station with Tom turkey and ginger snap encrusted ham, a holiday starter table with our favorite appetizers, traditional sides and Weathervane favorite entrées. Finish with our absolute decadent sweets table! Served 11:30 am to 6 pm.
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A miracle for Thanksgiving

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

They were minutes from being homeless in the days leading up to Thanksgiving.

However, thanks to the overwhelming outpouring of support of benevolent benefactor Bill Schutling, 25-year-old Renea Cole and her seven children have warm beds and plenty of nourishment.

"Everything looks good for them now. I just can't believe it," said Cole's aunt Jennifer Duhart, who spent Thursday Nov. 19, frantically contacting local shelters and media outlets in search of help for the family.

On Nov. 19 Cole told Charlevoix Courier the story of how her mother died of sarcomas on June 27, 2008, leaving Cole to care for her three younger siblings on top of the four children of her own.

Cole was barely making ends meet when her seasonal job began cutting back hours due to the

usual winter slowdown.

Then she was evicted for an unpaid gas bill and had to leave Pine Cove Apartments with no place to go by Friday Nov. 20.

But, life is filled with unpredictable ups and downs, and sometimes they can land right next to one another.

Hours after the article detailing the Cole family's predicament hit streets, Schutling took action.

"I cried. I couldn't understand how something like that could happen. I couldn't understand the lack of humanity, how someone could throw a family out with no place to go," he said. "I went out there (Pine Cove) and sure enough there was a van backed up to one of the apartments. The kids were crying; the mom was crying, and I started to cry again."

Schutling added, "I apologized for what was happening and said this is never going to happen again — sure as hell it's not going to happen in Charlevoix."

ing to happen in Charlevoix."

It was pure providence, Schutling said, which alerted him to the family's plight.

"I had just finished handing out about 1,000 turkeys and \$100,000 in cash to the poor and was planning on flying out for Washington, D.C.," he said. "This is truly a miracle that we were put together, because I was out of here."

In addition to buying the family food and clothing, Schutling has made arrangements for the Coles to stay at the AmeriCinn in Charlevoix until he can find them a permanent home.

Schutling has also offered to help the family with college costs and bought them a vehicle.

Now, instead of Renea and her 19-year-old sister ReAnna worrying about where they and the children, ages 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 14, will live, the family can focus

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Blessing the land

Tony Davis of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (left) uses mountain sage to cleanse tribal leader Ken Harrington during the groundbreaking ceremony on a major "affordable" housing development in Hayes Township off Murray Road. Harrington was joined by the project's architect, contractor and tribal council at the Friday Nov. 20 event. See the story on page 3.

Trots, swims, tree-lightings, hand-made stockings and Thanksgiving cheer

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Holiday events galore await anyone on the Charlevoix East Jordan area this Thanksgiving week.

From the turkey day dunk at 11 a.m. down at Lake Michigan Beach for charity, to the Charlevoix Community Christmas tree lighting event which begins at 4 p.m. on Friday Nov. 27 in downtown Charlevoix, there is sure to be something for everyone.

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"We will be having the song booklets with an air for the advertisements done by Northwest Academy elementary students," said Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Erin Bernis.

"From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. there will be ornament making at the North Pole at Color Wear, and then there is a visit with Santa Claus at 6 p.m. before he goes and lights the tree."

As usual, volunteers from the Charlevoix City light and power

will use their bucket truck to hang the handmade ornaments and more. At 6 p.m. is the Christmas tree lighting and caroling, 6:15 Santa will parade down Main Street and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., there will be photos with Santa, hand-made stockings created by the Lions Club Ladies, and at the East Jordan Civic Center from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. there will be a soup cook-off.

East Jordan events include Thanksgiving dinner at 1 p.m. on Nov. 27 in St. Joseph Church on Nichol St., community night the evening of Dec. 3 in downtown East

Jordan with open houses, special sales, refreshments and more. At 6 p.m. is the Christmas tree lighting and caroling, 6:15 Santa will parade down Main Street and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., there will be photos with Santa, hand-made stockings created by the Lions Club Ladies, and at the East Jordan Civic Center from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. there will be a soup cook-off.

"Our community night has been an annual event for the past

19 years," said East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Director Mary Facula. "What really makes this event special are the handmade stockings the Lions Club Ladies make. They create these unique keepsakes and then fill them with goodies supplied by the Lions Club."

Another major East Jordan event is the 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 7 holiday business after hours at House on the Hill in Ellsworth.

"It will be a wonderful networking opportunity for businesses to come together and this year we will be welcoming our new owners of House on the Hill," Facula said. "Your entry fee is a canned food donation, which will be divided between the Good Samaritan Food Pantry and the East Jordan Care and Share."

Light, shadow and sound of chamber members and four canned goods for prospective members.

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Arny Sue Lake, 32, East Jordan. Insufficient funds for checks written, less than \$100. Pay \$407.78 or serve eight days in jail.

Eric Michael Smith, 23, Elmira. Driving while license suspended. Credit for one day in jail; to serve 29 days in jail; \$1,150 in fines and costs.

Nicholas Allen Rubedeau, 28, Mancelona. Larceny by conversion. To serve 12 days in jail; \$548.95 in fines and costs.

Glenn Jean Morris, 24, East Jordan. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Erk James Mika, 22, Grand Rapids. Larceny, less than \$200. Pay \$500 in fines and costs.

Timothy James Plant, 18, Traverse City. Larceny of more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit

for four days in jail; to serve 30 days in jail; 311 days held in abeyance; serve 20 days of community service work; to serve one year on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to write a letter of apology; \$4,492.83 in fines and costs.

Everett Thomas Roof III, 29, East Jordan. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Travis Jon Nelson, 19, Boyne City. Operating motor vehicle with any blood alcohol content. Serve 10 days of community service work; serve five months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$1,038.05 in fines and costs.

Brian Kelly Hammond Jr., 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Serve 30 hours of community service work; to attend BASIS Zero Tolerance class; \$250 in fines and costs.

ASSUMED NAMES

The following businesses recently filed for an assumed name with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Books & Things, 104 Jordan St., East Jordan, by James A. Pette



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Pictured with six of the seven Cole family children is Bill Schulling (center) and (from left) 3-year-old Aaron King, 7-year-old Elijah Cole, 1-year-old Jacob Cole, 4-year-old Jeremiah Cole, 8-year-old Angel Cole and 5-year-old Tallia King.

Benevolent benefactor saves Thanksgiving MIRACLE

Continued from page 1 on getting their life together.

"There was a time when I didn't have any money, and I worked hard and became very successful," Schulling said. "I

was out jogging along the Potomac one night, this was 30 years ago, and there were all these (homeless) people sleeping on these grates. They didn't have anything; they didn't have any place to go — that experience

really changed my life."

He added, "That's why I'm on this earth: to help others. It was a pleasure for me to help in this Thanksgiving miracle."

Renea could not be reached by press time.

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Green tribal housing going up in Hayes



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Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington turns the first shovel full of sod during a groundbreaking ceremony Friday Nov. 20, in Hayes Township.

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

A multi-million dollar housing project for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians slated for spring 2010 on 80 acres in Charlevoix County is happening much sooner than anticipated.

And, that may be why so many Hayes Township residents know little to nothing about the 30, two- and three-bedroom rental units off Murray Road.

"They (the tribe) had said they wanted to come to the township and just keep us informed of what they were doing, but they haven't done that," Hayes Township Supervisor Ethel Knepp said. "And, they're not required to do that. From my understanding, the tribe does not fall under any jurisdiction in the county or township."

On Nov. 19, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington said it was not the tribe's intent to neglect keeping Hayes residents informed. "I know we're not required to," Harrington said in response to Knepp's statement. "But, we want to be friendly neighbors. I think what happened is the schedule has been pushed up, and I've only been in (as chairman) 10 weeks and I've been a little bit busy trying to produce."

Apartments in the six "affordable housing" townhouses

"The tentative schedule for completion is next summer, so families can have children in by next school year," Harrington said. "And, the road construction won't start until spring, 2010."

The project, originally slated for next year, was pushed up after the tribe received a \$2 million federal grant. The total cost of the project, according to Harrington, will be between \$2.5 million and \$3 million.

"We're very excited about it. It's going to be very green oriented," tribal planner Bryan Gillett said. "We think it will rate high on the International Green Buildings Council's LEED certification. It basically measures how environmentally friendly your building is."

Gillett said the efficiency of everything from the building materials, energy usage and where the site is located are taken into account in order to produce the most efficient structure possible.

"We have approved on the site plan a location for renewable energy, which could mean a windmill for electricity or biomass plant," Harrington said. "Our work group is leaning toward wind power for most of our projects."

Construction is to begin on

the first two of six multi-family housing units with more to follow as funding is secured.

The reason no one had to be notified, said Hayes Township Zoning Administrator Jonathan Scheel, is that the tribe is a sovereign nation, and therefore need not do so.

"We would have liked to have some joint planning, but they haven't shown any interest in working with us," Scheel said, adding that cooperation helps entities maintain consistency across zoning rules.

However, Harrington said the tribe has its own planning department, and that tribal planners had already approved the site plan.

John Speigl, who lives several doors down from the proposed development, said, "I don't think much of it. It doesn't bother me, I just worry about the value of this place (his house)."

Harrington said the housing development will be built in the middle of the 80-acre parcel, and will not be seen from Murray Road.

Knepp said the housing units will generate no prop-

erty tax for the township, but according to Harrington, the Township will be eligible to apply for some of the two percent of funds generated by electronic gaming at the casino.

Harrington said the tribal police department will patrol the development, and Gillett said the tribe will make an arrangement with the township to cover any fire or EMS fees generated by the development.

"I haven't seen anything on this yet except for one phone call I got about our requirements on fire sprinklers about a month ago," said Charlevoix Township Fire Department Chief Curt Thompson. "I've been a little concerned that ... I have not been brought into the circle on this."

As far as fire safety, Harrington said the tribe has its own OSHA safety inspector,

and that concerns about the roads and other potential issues have been addressed.

"We have road design standards for that stuff," Gillett said. "We have our own zoning, and our own zoning statute and we use the International Building Code 2006 edition."

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How to answer the ultimate question



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Stephen Guthrie

I remember the first time someone asked me the hardest question. I was an novice hospital chaplain and he was a patient with a show-stopper diagnosis, and I guess because I was a "man of the cloth" he was looking to me for an answer that would help them make sense of his life unraveling.

What that person is really asking for is an explanation of the mind of God. While I think I understand something of His nature, it's clear I can't begin to fathom how He thinks.

And how could I? God Himself tells us we're not equipped to understand how He has reasoned out the universe He created, this life in which we find ourselves immersed. My thoughts are higher than your thoughts, He explains in Isaiah 55, and My ways are higher than your ways.

Albert Einstein, reflecting on life in his later years, wrote that he desired, ultimately, "to know the mind of God. Everything else is just details."

So while Albert and I are basically clueless on why God would let a terrible thing happen to a good person, I've come to believe the first problem we have is not with God.

but rather with our assumptions about God and our expectations of Him.

When this problem is presented in philosophy classes it is called the problem of "natural evil." It is worded as a logic question: If God is good, and if God is all powerful and all knowing, then how can he permit evil things to happen?

The difficulty comes in our understanding of what "good" means. We people tend to define good and bad in the context of our own situation, so "good" is what would make us comfortable, safe, and happy in our current difficulty. Viewed through pain and fear, our perspective is short-term and selfish. We want "good" and we want it now!

We tend to define "bad" in the same short-sighted way. If something brings us discomfort in the moment, it is, by our definition, "bad."

What is so hard for us to grasp, with our self-centered focus and our limited capacity to see things God's way, is that the thing that seems so good to us in the moment might be bad for us in the bigger picture. Conversely, the tragic situation we are bemoaning today might be viewed as a blessing with the passage of time.

A real-life tragedy from a town I lived in can illustrate. There was a popular high school couple, he the football star, she the cheerleader. Life was good. She turned up pregnant, and their situation turned bad overnight. Their supportive families dealt graciously with an embarrassing situation.

The kids were to marry and raise the child, stay in school, and with the family's help this tragedy would turn to triumph.

Now all seemed good. The boy received a motorcycle as

a gift that he would use to get to work.

Again, all looked good. On his first ride the motorcycle got away from him at full throttle.

He went head first into a phone pole and died at the scene. In an instant, good turned to bad.

The girl gave up the child for adoption, and while that seemed bad to the girl the young couple who had been praying to adopt an infant thought of it as good.

At any point in that story everyone affected thought of the events as either good or bad solely on the basis of how it affected them in the moment.

While we people view things through a filter of self interest and short-sightedness, try looking at that story from God's eternal perspective.

Viewed through that lens, I propose to you that each event was neither good nor bad, but

rather part of a larger plan and purpose only He could know.

How do we view things God's way?

Begin by acknowledging that while our life may seem all about us it is really all about Him.

Then believe He really does cause things to work out for the best.

What a paradox that while God loves us and is keenly interested in the smallest details of our lives, in the grand theater of life we are nevertheless all mere walk-ons.

We are bit players with only a small speaking part in a production so long and so grand we can not take it all in.

Only when we take the long view do we begin to understand the mind of God.

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Turkey skins: the gateway to pork rinds



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

ing path of abstinence, or at least, moderation, I set about concocting an elaborate ruse to have it all.

The aroma of roasting bird that wafted from my grandmother's kitchen on Thanksgiving triggered the craving. The side dishes, while nice, were nothing compared to the turkey.

Or, specifically, the turkey skin. The crackling, golden-brown, slow-roasted, savory skin - that delectable annual treat - was the object of my compulsion.

And I was nearly alone in my predilection. My large family was made up primarily of skin-peelers. My number one enemy of all time, and my sole opponent in the Turkey Skin War, was my cousin, Barb.

Barb was a year younger, automatically making her a year cuter than me.

A natural-born crybaby and a tattletale, she was a watchdog for inappropriate behavior.

Everything offended her. This meant that nothing escaped parental intervention.

My two older cousins designed to include me in their play, but collectively, we shunned Barb. This was because every slight, real or imagined, elicited the same response.

"Mom-meeeeeee!" she screamed, heading for the house at a clip that precluded intervention. "Gr-maaaaaaaaa! 'Chris an' Lin an' Susie are, a) laughing at me, b) running away from me, or c) looking at me."

The grownups would pet

her and settle her on the porch swing with a Popsicle before calling us in for a lecture. We were admonished to include Barb in our activities.

"But she always wants to sing and dance and she makes us watch her," we complained. "She wants the biggest stick when we have a parade. She tries to be the boss of us."

This was true. It was also true that we devised ways to thwart her ambitions that bordered on the sadistic.

We let her have the biggest stick, but we steered the parade underneath a hornet's nest.

We were her unwilling audience during her song and dance recitals, but we gave her scathing reviews. We could run faster and often left her in the dust.

So it really wasn't much of a stretch to lock her in the closet.

It was, in fact, genius. Thus disposed, I would be the only skin aficionado in sight. It would be mine - all mine.

"We're playing Hide and

Seek," I told her. "Susie's it." I ushered her into the upstairs bedroom closet. "Get in here and don't make any noise."

I pushed a straight backed wooden chair in front of the door and ran downstairs to the kitchen.

"Where's Barbie?" my grandmother asked when I pulled on the skirt of her housedress, begging for the fatty flap over the stuffing.

"She doesn't want any," I lied smoothly. "She's busy."

"Busy doing what?" "Playing Hide and Seek. Can I have the tail, too?"

"I have to save some for Barbie," my impartial grandma said, rolling one half of the flap and the clucking stuffing into a

tube and handing it to me.

"No, Gramma, you don't." I saw my plot rendered impotent, falling to ruin. "She doesn't like it anymore this year. She told me!"

My grandmother scorched me with her foolproof gaze long enough to make me squirm.

"Go tell the kids to wash up," she said. "Dinner's on the table."

I clumped upstairs to release Barb. "Skin's ready," I told her when I pulled the chair away and opened the closet door. She hadn't even tried to escape.

Barb and I are friends now. As adults, we are more alike than I ever could have imagined, both of us prone to inappropriate spates of

singing and dancing. We both still love the skin.

And a lot more has changed now that I am the queen of my own kitchen. Nutritionally enlightened, everyone now knows that the skin is loaded with artery-clogging fat and cholesterol.

When family and friends seat themselves at my Thanksgiving table, I am oddly sated before the meal even begins. Resultantly, they are treated to healthy, skinless slices of breast meat and gleaming bald drumsticks.

I do it because I love them.

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Columnist thankful for the gift of family at Thanksgiving



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

families who have adopted children and raise awareness for families to think about adopting.

On this day which started a mere 10 years ago there is support for a collaborative effort among adoption agencies, the court system and advocacy groups to

move the process in a kind and caring matter.

More than 25,000 children have been adopted from foster care on National Adoption Day since its inception in 1989.

As an infant I was given up for adoption and brought to my new home on Thanksgiving Day.

Family and friends gathered as we celebrated a holiday as well as the welcoming of a new infant coming home to this young Detroit family.

I was baptized a few days later but the blessing I received was overshadowed by the many blessings I received throughout my entire life.

As a rambunctious child and teen that tested the waters continually, I was fortunate enough to have parents who loved me uncon-

ditionally and provided me with the structure, creative freedom, guidance, and consistency that shaped me into the adult I am today.

My mom became my best friend and confidant; my father, the man I respected and admired.

It was only when my mom passed away and my father became ill that I would have a new chapter in my life unfold.

My father made one request and that was to find my biological mother.

He wanted to personally thank her for giving up a daughter and providing he and his wife with the baby they so desired.

With prompting from family and friends, I was given the support I needed to take this journey.

With much trepidation I moved forward.

The adoption had been a closed one and what information I could garner from the courts were but a few facts with names and dates deleted.

Once a birth certificate was found, my breath was taken from me as I realized for the first time I actually had a different name.

It sounded foreign on my lips; I began to say my name again and again until it would become familiar.

My next step was to write and send letters to geographic areas I felt there may be someone who knew my birth mother.

On the letter I left information including my pre-adoptive name, address, phone number and e-mail. As an after thought I quickly added information that I had gleaned from a social worker's notes.

Days passed and I heard nothing but by day seven I had received an e-mail.

The subject heading said it all; "At long last I have found my daughter."

Not long after the e-mail arrived, arrangements were made for reuniting a mother who wondered what happened to her baby and a daughter who needed to thank her.

The meeting took place during the midnight hour in the lobby of the Pellston airport.

No fanfare, no bright lights and cameras; just two people who took in the amazement and joy of seeing reflections - what I might look like in my future years, and for my mother a vision of a younger version of herself.

My father was finally able to thank the woman

who provided the baby that brought joy to their family and taught them patience is truly a virtue.

Thanksgiving Day is still a big celebration in our home with a large gathering of family and friends which now includes my birth mom.

This holiday is a little more special now because when I look across the table and see my 'entire family' my heart is quietly leaping with joy and ever grateful for it's this day I truly celebrate my life and all that I am thankful for.

Thanks mom for giving me life and thank you mom and dad for adding me to your loving family.

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Art bazaar

The Crooked Tree Arts Center is continuing its Holiday Art Bazaar with galleries filled with the works of over 60 Michigan artisans who have created gifts for all holiday occasions. Along with the regular hours of operation at CTAC, the Holiday Bazaar will be open Friday evenings until 8:30 p.m. on Dec. 4, 11 and 18. The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located in downtown Petoskey at 461 East Mitchell St.

United Way credentialed

Martha Lancaster, Executive Director, announced that Char-Em United Way has successfully completed all of United Way's national membership requirements. The annual certification process includes completing the Membership Requirements Certification, Membership Investment to support the national office, and a survey of Total Resources Generated (a survey that captures the full extent of a community's resource development efforts during the year). Over and above the annual requirements, Char-Em United Way is in the process of completing a mandatory organizational self-assessment, as part of this process. Char-Em United Way is part of a world wide network in 46 countries and territories, including 1,277 local organizations in the U.S.

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Charlevoix Library Youth book reviews

Queen Bees and Wannabes: A Parent's Guide to Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends, and Other Realities of Adolescence by Rosalind Wiseman. Wiseman, who founded a nonprofit company dedicated to empowering teens, calls on her extensive face-to-face research with teens in this book that exposes the social minefields of female adoles-

cence and the deep scarring that can result. Wiseman also gives an excellent overview of the common patterns of aggressive teen girl behavior with an increased focus on a parent-teacher audience, offering valuable practical advice, including how to talk about hard issues like sexual harassment. (Parentist, 10/1/09)

Teen Is At Risk: What Only You Can Do About It by Jeffrey Dean. No generation in history has faced anything like the incredible onslaught of destructive influences attacking today's teens. On every side on the Web, in music and media, from their own peers today's world seems bent on destroying our young people. (Parentist, 10/1/09)

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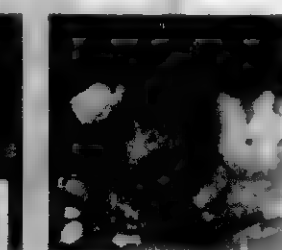


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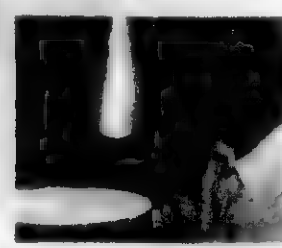
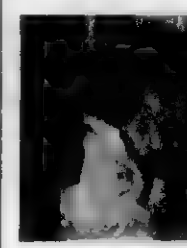
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Gary Stutzman, Our Fearless Leader

Thanks to Kim VanMeter, our dinner coordinator & trainer; and to her parent "staff" - Sheila Davis, Loretta Halbert, Sue & Mike Kiteley, Gayle Kroon, Shelly Roth, & Laurie Hodgson.



And Thank You to Our Incredible Kids!



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Do your shopping at JRAC

Sunday marked the opening of the Jordan River Arts Council Members Holiday Art for Sale. The works are displayed in a Christmas setting. There are over 1,000 items including paintings and collages; jewelry made with beads, polymer clay, natural pieces, and woven fabric; ceramics; fiber arts as quilts, scarves, table items, clothing, felt mittens, blankets, purses and more. The exhibit will be open daily from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. until Dec. 18 at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St. East Jordan. Pictured is a live spruce tree donated to the Jordan River Art Center for their festive display during the Members Holiday Art for Sale.

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Li'l artists

Great Start Collaborative Coordinator Sommer Poquette (left) and Char-Em ISD Superintendent Mark Eckhardt selected three winners: Emily Kelly of Elksworth, Brooks Bluxy of Petoskey, and Emma Markham of Boyne City, as winners of their recent Thanksgiving-themed coloring contest. The kids each get a sled and winter boots and a \$50 gift card to Glen's Markets.

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Writers Group

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
 All writers welcome - published unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura
 Thursdays at 10:30 am
 Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with friends and family

French

Conversation Circle
 Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:15 pm
 Le cercle français de conversation (French Conversation Circle), is an

informal meeting of people interested in improving their French language proficiency, from beginners to more advanced. We help each other with pronunciation, vocabulary, and grammar and often use free French language learning material available on the internet.

Scrapbookers

Saturday, November 28,
 10:00 - 4:30 pm
 Join this group of scrapbookers who get together to share, laugh and scrapbook

Drop-in December Crafts
 Drop in to the youth department and make a special holiday craft. There

will be a craft available beginning November 29th and going through the whole month of December

JATL: Jazz @ the Library Holiday Concert

Wednesday, December 9, 6:30 pm
 Join the JATL. Two with featured guests Claudia Schmidt and Chro Bickley singing some of your favorite holiday jazz tunes.

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OBITUARIES

Philip Grant Loucks: March 16, 1946 - Nov. 5, 2009

Philip Grant Loucks 63, died on Nov. 5, 2009 at Loving Care Assisted Living in Brownstown, Mich.

Born March 16, 1946 to John Alymer Loucks and Jeannette (Bernier) Loucks.

He moved to East Jordan with his family in 1962 and attended EJHS where he

graduated in 1964.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1966-1968 stationed in Germany.

He was a retired electrician, having worked over 20 years at Chrysler.

He is survived by his daughters, Anna Burton, Jeannette Bley, both from Cincinnati, Ohio, Kathy

Cleaver of Indianapolis, Ind., sons Derek Loucks of Detroit, and Andrew Loucks of Canton, Ohio.

Also sister Patricia (Jack) Fisk of Albany, Ga., brothers, David (Gloria) Loucks of Lincoln, Mich., Alan (Peggy) Loucks of Petoskey, and John (Sherrie) Loucks of Charlevoix.

He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held on Nov. 7, 2009 at the Don Graham Funeral Home in Detroit.

Interment will be at St. Mary Cemetery at a time to be announced later.

Make Time to Worship

Area Church Services

CHARLEVOIX ASSEMBLY OF GOD 85791 M-66 North Sunday Worship Intercession 2:00 p.m. Sunday School 9:10 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Service (including the Lord's Supper) 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Mike Way 547-6430	ELLSWORTH WESTERN CHURCH Corner of Elm & Park • Ellsworth Sunday School 9:10 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Night School 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace 588-7455
BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Klocaster Road Church School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Ray Pank 536-2161	FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 203 E. Upright Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Michael Arp 547-4227
BELLEVOUE REFORMED CHURCH 4011 Church Road, Ellsworth Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karloff 547-4446	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 4444 Lacroix Road, Post Office Sunday School 9:10 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Church Office 547-4121
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH 11906 US-31 North Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Michael L. Leach 547-9446	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BAY SHORE US 31 North Worship & Children's Worship 9:00 a.m.
BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 85855 M-66 Sunday School 10:10 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Pastor: James D. Green 547-4300	FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 181 State St. (at Park Ave.) Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Susan Allen 547-3899
CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 104 State Street Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5168	FREEDOM HOUSE 12785 US-31 Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Senior Leader: Paul Bradley 237-0800
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 1000 N. Main St. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Child Care Provided Church Office 547-4322 Rev. John S. Dand	GOLDEN BLUE SPIRITUALIST CHURCH 87444 Old U.S. 31 North Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Susan Allen 547-3899
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 285 E. Benton Street Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning 7:00 p.m. Reading Room - Wednesday 2:30-4:30 p.m.	GREENSBURY HILL INDIAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Old U.S. 31 North Sunday School 9:00 a.m. & 10:00 p.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Timothy Wright 542-9262
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 8427 N. M-66 Sunday Sacraments 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Preschool & Junior High 9 a.m. West Young Men/Women 7:00 p.m. President: Michael Robb 588-2112 or 588-2113	IRONTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Ironton Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Michael C. Smith 881-7401
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ELLSWORTH CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 9321 Main St., PO Box 217 • Ellsworth Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Carl Allen 588-7865	SAFARI HARBOR 15331 S. 31st & Old U.S. 31 Sunday School 9:10 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Carl Allen 588-7865
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After hours in EJ

Maggie Willette, a student at North Central Michigan College sits with friend Jack Vincent during the November Business After Hours held by the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at the East Jordan campus.

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Warriors in Pink

Pat McKeown of Pat McKeown Ford in Charlevoix makes the hardest sale of his life while trying to convince Charlevoix Area Hospital dietician Amanda Evans he is actually lighter than the scale is telling her. McKeown sponsored an evening of pampering and entertainment for all women with proceeds going to help the Circle of Strength cancer support and education group. Brian Sheets of Shabby Girls Salon and Day Spa (right) in Charlevoix gives Linda Hoffman a shoulder rub at the Pat McKeown Warriors in Pink night at Pat McKeown Ford in Charlevoix.



Veterans' dinner

The Bible Baptist Church hosted a Thanksgiving-style meal at the VFW hall including a small commemorative presentation to honor the veterans of the armed forces on Nov. 11. Over one hundred veterans and guests attended the third annual event. Mike Boet of the U.S. Air Force is pictured with his wife Claudia. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

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Cooper was crammed

Nancy Mathers (from left) of Charlevoix brings out a basket of groceries from customers at Oleson's of Charlevoix donated to the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry as Brian and Wendy Sheets receive them to fill their mini Cooper full of groceries. The idea sponsored by Shabby Girls Salon called "Cram the Cooper" was quite successful, as the car was filled to capacity in just two short days.

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McManus graduates from infantry training



Army Pvt. Harlin F. McManus has graduated from the Infantryman One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. The training consists of Basic Infantry Training and Advanced Individual Training.

During the nine weeks of basic combat training, the soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons employment, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid skills, and Army history, core values and traditions. Additional training included development of basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experienced use of various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

The Advanced Individual Training course is designed to train infantry soldiers to perform reconnaissance operations; employ, fire and recover anti-personnel and anti-tank mines; locate and neutralize land mines and operate target and sight equipment; operate and maintain communications equipment and radio networks;

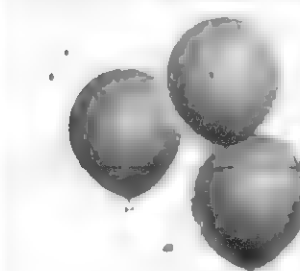
construct field firing aids for infantry weapons; and perform infantry combat exercises and dismounted battle drills, which includes survival procedures in a nuclear, biological or chemical contaminated area.

McManus is the son of Stenna Halldorson of Lake Terrace Court, Charlevoix.



Retirement Open House for Linda Roath

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LETTERS to the editor

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promoting our lovely lakes and natural resources.

The history of the Indian people, of the voyagers and the growth of trade and commerce, of timber and early pioneers, is born of the water highways, the fisheries and the power of water-run mills.

Our history is the history of the Great Lakes, of ship chandlers, tragedy at sea, white fish that shimmered in sheets at our docks, of lighthouses, Mackinac boats, yachts and tugs, and passenger steamers.

Our history is one of natural resource devastation, and resource protection.

In 1870, the upper channel of Round Lake was deepened and straightened, and old timers recorded that Lake Charlevoix dropped four feet, leaving mud flats and adding acres of land around the lake. Just south of Charlevoix, Fisherman's Island invites families to enjoy protected wrecks of the most beautiful sand beaches in the world.

Our historic DNR fishery was the first fishery built on the Great Lakes.

Our pre World War II Coast Guard boat house remains, a tribute to the modern Coast Guard and the bravery and dedication of the men and women who braved icy waters to rescue those shipwrecked.

In Potter's Field in the Charlevoix Cemetery, 15 unmarked graves tell the story of the 1887 Champlain disaster off Fisherman's Island.

Though personal tragedy and victory, the waters and beauty

of Charlevoix have inspired residents to build new lives and dream new dreams.

Eco-tourism is a growing market. The celebration and sharing of our maritime, Great Lakes heritage and the history of Lake Charlevoix and Round Lake could be central in attracting business opportunities and in creating a better community.

Jo Anne Beemon
Charlevoix

GENEROUS HUNTERS

Editor:
The annual hunter's banquet was a success for Charlevoix Area Food Pantry.

We wish to thank everyone involved in the 8th Annual Hunters' Banquet.

The event was started by the local Knights of Columbus Council in 2002 to raise money for the Charlevoix Area Food Pantry at the Congregational church and 100 percent of the net profit has been turned over to them for the wonderful and blessed work that they perform for the needy families in our area.

This year, the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the VFW Post 1153 and a bunch of wonderful local bear hunters, raised \$3,118.14 for the Food Pantry.

Some of the individual caregivers involved are the bear hunters and pig cooks Greg and Jason Whitley; Pat Elliot, Roger Pittman and Bob Denise.

These guys also raised \$2,055 on ticket sales for a shotgun.

Ken and Birdie Whitley, snuffing for the pig; Jason Whitley baked beans; Gary and Beth Schmidt, macaroni and cheese; Terry Amuck for the wonderful

cookouts; Terry Left for the rolls, coleslaw and potatoes; Fred Parsons and Greg Whitley who were guest speakers; VFW Post 1153 for their donation of the hall; Ed Holm who was involved in everything to assure a successful event, to all who bought raffle tickets and donated items for the auction, and most of all thanks to all the people who came and enjoyed themselves for the benefit of the Food Pantry.

Larry and Gabe Campbell, event chairmen
Charlevoix

AFTER HOURS SUCCESS

Editor:
On behalf of the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce I wish to thank the owners of Lumberjack Bar and Grill, Bob and Denise Hughey, and their entire staff for hosting the 10th Annual Celebrity Dinner on Monday, Nov. 2, to benefit the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

The evening was a tremendous success and offered a wonderful opportunity for area residents and neighbors to dine and socialize while being attended to by our "Celebrity Staff" from the East Jordan and Banks Township Fire Department. Special thank you to the following individuals who donated their time and talent to the evening: host/hostess were East Jordan Fire Chief Glen Thorman and wife Rhonda Thorman and Banks Township Chief Mark Groenink and wife Cynthia Groenink.

Celebrity Servers were Jim Testa, Tim Drenth, Sienna Wertz, Tom Breakley, Nathan McWaters, Bill German and Dennis Richards from the East Jordan Fire Dept.

Some of the individual caregivers involved are the bear hunters and pig cooks Greg and Jason Whitley; Pat Elliot, Roger Pittman and Bob Denise.

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Ken and Birdie Whitley, snuffing for the pig; Jason Whitley baked beans; Gary and Beth Schmidt, macaroni and cheese; Terry Amuck for the wonderful

From the Banks Township Fire Department-Don Frosty, Brad VanderArk, Brian VanderArk and Mike and Jen Aenis.

Thank-you to everyone who came out for dinner and generously tipped their servers to benefit our Chamber.

The evening posted a nice attendance of diners! You are greatly appreciated.
Thanks so much for a memorable evening.

Mary H. Faculak
East Jordan

GIVE THANKS

Editor:
In this season of giving thanks for our many blessings, the greatest gift we enjoy is the priceless legacy of freedom left to us all by America's Founding Fathers.

One of our highest responsibilities is to keep that legacy intact for the generations who will follow us, because without a heritage, every generation starts over.

We as citizens of the United States of America must pledge ourselves to defend that legacy and heed Lincoln's warning: "We shall nobly save, or meanly lose, the last best hope of earth."

As you give thanks this year, please consider making a personal commitment to the preservation of our freedom and regardless of what your beliefs are concerning political or religious views of the on going wars, never condemn or blame the soldier for the politician's war.

We all need to pray for the safe return of all our military, from every corner of the world, that they may share with you and your loved ones the joys and blessings of the season.

Jerry Evans

Ellsworth

FOOD PANTRY GETS FEED

Editor:
The Charlevoix Community Food Pantry would like to thank the Knights of Columbus and all of those who attended the recent Hunters' Banquet.

The food pantry received over \$3000 from the proceeds of the banquet and the shotgun raffle.

That money will allow us to purchase enough emergency food for local residents for several months.

What a generous community we live in.
Sue Dixon, president of Charlevoix Community Food Pantry
Charlevoix

SEPARATE CHURCH, STATE

Editor:
Dear Mr. Congressman Bart Stupak:

I respect your personal position on abortion but I do not respect your imposing your view on everyone else.

This is a country built on separation of Church and State, not only to protect the State but also to protect all Churches, all religious points of view.

We are also a country that respects individual rights.

NO woman wants an abortion. This is a dreadfully difficult decision between a woman and her doctor.

CONGRESS should not be involved in anyone's medical choices.

Further as I understand the message of Jesus, there is the issue of free will ... we have individual responsibility for our

actions, to behave ethically and morally.

We do not want the state (Rome or Washington) determining our morals on any issue.

Listen to your constituents in northern Michigan. We are all hard hit by the economy. Too many people in your district have no health care insurance. Are you walking away from them?

Polls show, over and over, that the majority of Americans want health care reform with the public option.

It is vital you vote for health care reform for all the people.
Sara Gay Dammann
Charlevoix

DREAM BIG

Editor:
Dream Big ... It could happen to you.

Could I ever have dreamed that one day I would enjoy the same privilege of being chauffeured about as the Queen of England and first lady are?

Five years ago, when I was 71, I decided to give up driving to the surprise, and somewhat dismay, of my family and friends.

However, to my delight, I soon discovered the great service of the Charlevoix and Petoskey bus drivers, who drove me to all of my appointments and destinations.

What a blessing.

And I am doubly blessed, not only by their cheerful attitude, but by their ready assistance to help me with my bags of groceries and even to holding an umbrella over my head when it rains.

So, dream big ... it could happen to you also.

Joan Bowquet
Charlevoix

This is the second in a series of updates

outlining the water treatment and disposal options being considered right now by CMS Land and government officials. As part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, millions of gallons of groundwater, high in alkalinity and containing trace amounts of mercury and other contaminants, are collected at the shoreline in order to protect the Bay. Collection of this water will go on for the foreseeable future, but what to do with it for the long term remains a crucial unanswered question. Any final solution must answer the following questions:

- Does the solution protect human health and Little Traverse Bay?
- Does it provide a local solution to this local problem?
- Is it supported by sound science?
- Does it significantly reduce the mercury levels of the water?
- Does it relieve local road congestion and safety issues associated with tanker truck traffic?
- Does it minimize disruption to the community, economy and tourism?
- Is the solution economically reasonable?

OPTION: Truck water to deep injection wells in either Antrim or Otsego Counties for disposal.

Class I wells inject hazardous and non-hazardous wastes into deep, isolated rock formations that are thousands of feet below underground sources of drinking water. There are approximately 550 Class I disposal wells in the United States. The geology of the Gulf Coast and the Great Lakes is best suited for these types of wells, and most Class I wells are found in these regions. There are currently 24 Class I disposal wells in Michigan.

Antrim County: Both the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have approved an Antrim County well as a safe method to dispose of the non-hazardous water collected at the environmental project. In addition, testing at the Alba site confirmed what early research had already indicated: that the area's groundwater is located almost 2,000 feet safely above the water disposal zone. Despite the regulatory approvals and strong science supporting the well, legal proceedings against the well were initiated. The proceedings are currently "stayed," meaning CMS requested the process be put on hold while a consensus concerning water disposal is sought.

The proposal to install a well in Antrim County would be scientifically sound and reduce mercury going to the bay but would not be a local solution and does not address traffic, trucking and cost issues.

Otsego County: Currently, approximately 60 percent of the water collected at the Bay Harbor site is treated and then trucked to a deep injection well, similar to the one proposed for Antrim County, in Otsego County. This well has been safely operating since 1986. While this well has a track record of safe disposal, using the Otsego well as a long-term option is not a local solution, and requires the continued trucking of water over significant distances. About eight trucks make the 120 mile round trip every day to dispose of the water resulting in more than 350,000 miles on the road. When combined with the mileage to truck water to Grand Traverse County for disposal, upwards of 750,000 miles are driven every year to accomplish what can be accomplished locally.

Next: Utilizing a local injection well for water disposal

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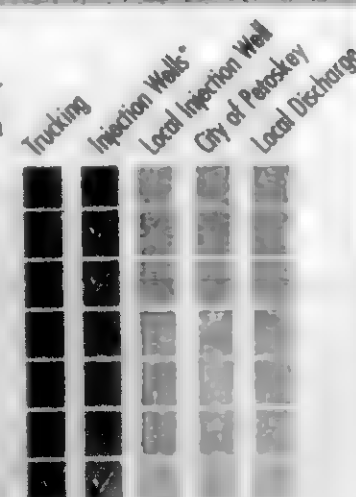


Depth of Proposed Antrim Injection Well



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A Thanksgiving Miracle

As you know not all stories end happily. This is a very unhappy story with an ending that will warm your heart.

This picture below is of a young Charlevoix family that came to our city to find a better way of life for themselves and their children.



Pictured for the last time in their apartment before being evicted on Friday, Nov. 20, is the Cole family: 7-year-old Elijah (from left), 1-year-old Jacob, 25-year-old mother Renae, 5-year-old Talija King, 3-year-old Aaron King, 14-year-old Keahonda Cole, 4-year-old Jeremiah Cole, 19-year-old ReAnna Horne and 8-year-old Angel Cole.

For some 17 years at Thanksgiving I come back to my cottage in Charlevoix from my home in Washington DC to hand out hundreds of turkeys and financial help for our less fortunate. This year was the same. The volume of help needed this year was 20 times greater because of this recession. I had finished our Thanksgiving gift giving with the help of my friend Tim.

Kim Taylor of the Courier came up to me in Oleson's grocery store in the early evening and asked me if I had read the News-Review story written by Ben Gohs. I told her I had not. She handed me the paper; I read the story of how the young Cole family had been thrown out of their apartment with no place to stay because they could not pay their gas bill. No one was willing to help them. They had no food, no money, no transportation, no place to go and were going to live on the streets of Charlevoix in the Michigan winter weather – unbelievable and unacceptable.

It was reported that no shelter would take them in because they said she had too many children. Let me ask you a question... What is a shelter if not a place to help children?

What in the world! How do you turn people away when they are desperate?

I told Kim that this was beyond horrible; it showed a complete lack of humanity by the apartment management, DHS and the justice system. This is a sterling example of citizens paying bureaucrats to do their job and they do not do it.

I also told Kim that this was not how we treat anyone in our city of Charlevoix. The children are 1,4,5,7,8,10 & 14 years of age – Can you believe that the authorities would do this to a family and its babies? I can not!!

Thanks to the timely effort of Ben Gohs from the Courier and me bumping into Kim Taylor the children's lives have been and will be changed forever for the better.

Immediately, Tim and I drove over to their apartment and we found the 7 children and 3 young adults piling their belongings into a borrowed van with no place to go or live.

Help had finally arrived – extra cash to live on, gift certificates from K-Mart, food from Glen's grocery store, a warm dinner, a place to stay - the American for a week thanks to the help of Cindy Perkins. We got them an apartment with a kitchen, living room and a couple of bedrooms. The kids were all excited about the swimming pool. Since their car did not run, the family had no ability to get around. I bought them a Dodge Durango from our own Charlevoix Motors thanks to the help of Ralph Rosenthal. I promised the children that if they wanted to go to college, I would help.

Below please see the picture that shows this Thanksgiving Miracle after they were given a helping hand. Here is the family and the loving children and I with the Santa Claus Christmas bears I got them - ready to start their new happy life.



I apologized to them all for what had happened to them and told them it would never happen again. I also told them that we love them and will always be there for them.

So on this day of Thanksgiving, we must always remember that everyone is important and that it is our duty and responsibility to help those of us that are less fortunate. We must never turn away from others when they ask for our help.

I am very happy to tell you that this Thanksgiving spirit is well and alive in Charlevoix Michigan for many, many other folks of our little town have now, after reading to this story, come to the aid of this wonderful family.

In closing I must tell you that Tim & I cried at the plight of this family. We were literally crushed at their circumstances. The positive way that it turned out was a Thanksgiving Miracle for us all. I think it was the highlight of my life's work.

*Wishing you a
Happy Thanksgiving!*

Bill Schuiling,
Charlevoix, Michigan

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Area athletes, coaches earn post-season honors

Fourteen players from area schools and three coaches were honored by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association for the 2009 season.

State runner-up Petoskey had five players earn All-State honors in Division II. Charlevoix had three players and Boyne City had one honored in Division III, while three players from Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian Academy and two from Harbor Light Christian earned All-State accolades in Division IV.

Petoskey coach Scott Batchelor (Division II), Charlevoix's Josh Block (III) and Burt Lake NMCA's Rusty Chatfield (IV) were named district coach of the year in their respective districts. Each led their respective teams to district championships.

It was the 20th — and final — district championship for Batchelor as Petoskey's boys' coach; Block led the Rayders to the first district boys' soccer title in school history; and Chatfield guided the Eagles to their first district championship since 2004.

Petoskey seniors Joe Keedy, Michael Swabash and Dan Etter were named to the All-State first-team in Division II, while junior goalkeeper Brad Lehky earned a spot on the second-team, and senior Dom Fantozzi received honorable mention.

The Northmen finished as the state runner-up, falling to Hudsonville Unity Christian, 2-0, in the title game.

Keedy, a striker, led the Northmen with 17 goals and tied for second on the team with 11 assists. Swabash, who played both midfield and defense, was second on the team with 10 goals and added five assists; and Etter, the sweeper, was the backbone of Petoskey's outstanding defense that surrendered just 14 goals in 27 games.

Lehky posted 16 shutouts and finished with a 0.56 goals-against average, while Fantozzi finished with eight goals and a team-high 12 assists.

In Division III, Charlevoix's Ben Myers was named to the All-State first-team, defender John

"They played great all season and they complemented each other very well. They deserved it."

JOHN BOYER,
PETOSKEY BOYS' TENNIS COACH

Shea was named to the third-team, and goalkeeper Nick Brandi earned honorable mention.

Myers, a junior forward, posted a team-best 27 goals as the Rayders finished 20-2, winning their first Lake Michigan Conference and district championships. He is the first player in Charlevoix history to earn first-team All-State soccer honors.

Shea, a junior, anchored a solid Rayder defense that allowed just 13 goals, while

Brandi posted a school-record 11 shutouts.

Boyne City's Brendan Baic received honorable mention.

In Division IV, Burt Lake NMCA sophomore Paul Chatfield was named to the second-team, while Harbor Light Christian senior Ben Cole earned third-team honors. NMCA's Aaron Chatfield and Will Lovitt received honorable mention, as did Harbor Light's Andrew Fila.

Paul Chatfield led NMCA

with 33 goals and 17 assists as the Eagles finished 21-5.

Cole closed an outstanding career with 31 goals and 15 assists, both team highs. The Swordsman finished 18-4-1. Cole closed his five-year varsity career with 107 career goals and 81 assists.

Football: VanOrman honored

Petoskey High School football coach Kerry VanOrman was named the Division 3 Region 2 coach of the year by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association.

VanOrman led the Northmen to an 8-2 finish including 4-1 (second place) in the Big North Conference, and a second straight playoff berth.

In seven years as Petoskey's coach, VanOrman has led Petoskey to a 35-32

mark, including wins in 20 of its last 24 starts.

Tennis: Northmen earn All-State

Petoskey junior Tyler Romanick and sophomore Cam Muller, who played No. 1 doubles for the Northmen this fall, received Division III All-State honorable mention by the Michigan High School Tennis Coaches Association.

Romanick and Muller compiled an 18-8 record last season and were regional champions.

The duo helped lead the Northmen to a qualifying berth in the Division III state finals, where Petoskey finished tied for 11th.

"They played great all season and they complemented each other very well," Petoskey boys' tennis coach John Boyer said. "They deserved it."

SPORTS reviewing the action



PHOTOS BY CHELSEY HASKE

B'ball practice

Junior Joshua Nitchman (left) jumps high to block shooter junior Matthew Murray with the help from teammate junior Brennan Ackerman. In the two-on-two drill, Murray raced to the floor to catch a pass and drop to basket in hopes to get the "end one." Junior Wyatt Drost (far right) dribbles hard off a screen in an offensive 5 on 0 drill to go through the offensive positions off a missed basket. Setting the screen is junior Brennan Ackerman. Junior Matthew Klooster (middle) receives a pass and dribbles down the court during a 2 on 1 drill starting off the practice. "I'm so excited for this season! We have so much potential to go all the way," Klooster said.



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Holly Daze nearing; get tickets now

BY TINA SUNDELIUS
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

Members of the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation are urging everyone to get their reservations for this year's dazzling Holly Daze in as soon as possible.

"The bottom line is that the hospital is important to the community and this fundraiser brings in about 20 percent of our revenue for the year," said Lyn Jenks, Committee Chairman for Holly Daze.

"Our program provides for equipment and program support for the hospital."

Holly Daze will be held at the Castle on Dec. 4.

"There are a lot of really unusual and fun things in the silent auction as well as the live auction," said Jenks.

Some items to be auctioned include four

tickets to a Red Wings and Colorado Avalanche game, a trip to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, a Lab puppy, cruises, dinners, a private medieval dinner at the Castle for a party of 10, and East Jordan Ironworks new manhole cover-design The Treasure of Lake Charlevoix to list just a few.

If you haven't received an invitation and would like a tremendous evening and a chance to support the hospital you can call the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation at 547-8501 and make reservations over the phone.

The evening includes cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres and silent auction at 5:30 with dinner served at 7:30 p.m. and the live auction beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$100 per person and are tax deductible.



PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

A week-long boat-building course at the Great Lakes Boat Building School is one of the many unique auction items up for bid at Holly Daze this year. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 4 at Castle Farms of Charlevoix. Tickets are \$100 per person.

BUSINESS What's new?

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45 years of service

After 45 years with Harbor Industries, Bob Welch of Charlevoix said farewell to his friends and colleagues. Knowing Bob would not want a fuss made over him, co-workers, friends and family surprised him at his favorite haunt Judy's Restaurant, on Friday, Nov. 13. Being a man of few words, Bob's long tenure with Harbor speaks to his commitment and dedication. Harbor Industries officials said they will miss him, but wish him well in his retirement.

Courtesy photo

New DURA bldg. status

BY JENNIFER HENDERSON
NEWS REVIEW

The East Jordan City Commission opened its Nov. 3 meeting with a public hearing regarding the designation of Industrial Development District status to the former DURA building located at 117 Lake Street. Sheri Rhoads, of the Northern Michigan Economic Alliance, explained that the special status would allow the city to grant tax abatements to manufacturing businesses who use the space.

Floyd Wright, who owns the building, described the designation as, "a marketing tool to attract manufacturers," and said he had recently spoken with a businessman who was contemplating moving his trailer business to Tennessee, but would have additional incentive to stay in the area if he could operate his business in an area that might receive a tax break. The commission supported a resolution designating the area as the "117 Lake Street Industrial Development District."

The commission also heard an update from Larry Fox of C2AE, the engineering company that will

be upgrading the water and sewer system in several locations in East Jordan.

The cost of the Vance, Pine and Elizabeth Streets project would be \$1,005,600 and the cost of the Maple Street project would be \$1,369,400.

Fox reported that through grants, the city could pay off this expense at a 2.5 percent interest loan over 40 years. Parks Director Tom Cannon requested permission to approach the Michigan Waterways Commission about a flexible rate schedule for seasonal slips at the city marina. Cannon would like to be able to adjust the rates based on the size of the boat. For example, a 38' boat would pay less than a 42' boat, even though they would both occupy a 45' slip. Cannon said he believed this flexibility would result in a greater number of slip rentals. "While reducing fees, income will probably go up because we'll be encouraging more boats. Most of us would like to see that harbor full," Cannon said. The commission approved Cannon's request.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin Freil a married man and Kenneth Szymoniak a married man, Katie Freil a married woman and Alice Szymoniak a married woman, original mortgagor(s), to Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 4, 2002, and recorded on November 17, 2005 in Liber 717 on Page 94, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Four Thousand Thirty-Eight And 94/100 Dollars (\$74,038.94), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 4, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, City of East Jordan, beginning at a point distant 153.00 feet South and 500 feet North 89 degrees 45 minutes East from the Northwest corner of Section 24 and extending North 89 degrees 45 minutes East 100.00 feet; thence South 133.79 feet; thence South 51 degrees 45 minutes 50 seconds West 127.31 feet; thence North 212.14 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 4, 2009

For more information, please call: FC (248) 593-1311

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er, St. Andrew.

The non-profit St. Andrews Society of NW Michigan was formed in 1997 and has members in Cheboygan, Charlevoix, Wexford, Oakland, Antrim, Roscommon, Kalkaska, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Manistee and Leelanau Counties. The \$15 cost includes buffet, coffee, tax and tip. Bagpipes and Celtic fiddler will entertain, and prizes will be awarded for the best-dressed lad and lassie.

Reservation required by Nov. 25. e-mail dsarna@sprintmail.com or call (231) 947-3902.

DEC. 1

Historical Society Christmas. Members and guests of the Charlevoix Historical Society are invited to a holiday cheer social hour with old friends which will precede the Gables' quality offer-

ings at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1 at the Grey Gables Inn, 308 Belvedere Ave., As in previous years, we would like to have a rough estimate of how many of each entrée will be ordered. RSVP by Saturday Nov. 28, in forming us of the number in your party and your selections at 547-0373 Tuesday through Saturday, or leave a message. You can also call David Miles at home, 547-6736. Last-minute walk-ins are also welcome.

ALL-NIGHT PARKING

Effective Dec. 1, the City of Charlevoix's Uniform Traffic Code, section 8.25 "All Night Parking" ordinance goes into effect. The ordinance reads: No person shall park a vehicle on the streets or any public parking lot of the city from December 1 through April 1, inclusive, between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

Residents are reminded to call "911" to report any extenu-

ating circumstances where their vehicle(s) can not be removed from the roadway, e.g. disabled vehicle.

Feel free to contact the police department if you have any questions, weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 547-3258.

BOYNE BASKETS

Since the founding of the Boyne Area Community Christmas Baskets in 1954, initiated by the late Thelma Behling, then School Nurse, "Baskets" have been given to those in need each year.

This year the need is even greater than ever and it is expected that up to 1,000 or more will need assistance. As in previous years, we are again asking for any assistance that you can give.

Non-perishable food, toys, games, books, clothing, blankets, etc., (unwrapped) may be dropped off at Early Elementary School, Pine Street, Boyne City.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Rockin' Rayders

Charlevoix High School's Rockin' Rayders, a new promotion which celebrates students who achieve in nontraditional areas, presents those named for the week Nov. 16 through 20. Pictured are (front, from left) Marguerite Bolt, Haley Herzog, Haley Givens and (back, from left) Jared Reibel, Cory Russell and Marc Durkee.

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Donations will be accepted from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 1, until Dec. 18. Our volunteers will be packing "Baskets" and be available for assistance.

Checks may be made payable to: Boyne Area Community Christmas, c/o Eleanor West, Treasurer, 915 Robinson Street #15, Boyne City, MI 49712.

Those eligible for "Baskets" may pick them up Dec. 18, 2009 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Early Elementary School gym.

For further information, call Ruth Witsko at 231-582-3152, Nancy Hosmer at 231-581-7165 or Ardith Hawley at 231-582-7880.

Thank you for helping make a brighter holiday season for the families.

DEC. 1 AND 9

Cooking classes. Cooking Classes at the Alcove Cafe from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 1 and 9 respectively.

Pasties and Scotch Eggs - We'll make meat or veggie pasties and Scotch eggs, dine on some, and take the rest home, along with

recipes. Call 547-7490 for information and to register. Roasted Tomato-Basil Soup and Scones - We'll make the soup, and a variety of scones, dine, and take some home, along with the recipes.

DEC. 5

1st Congregational cookie walk.

From 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., the church will host its annual cookie walk on Dec. 5. Hundreds of homemade holiday cookies will be sold by the pound. Call 547-5137 or 675-5137 for more information.

Gift Wrapping For Area Students.

Charlevoix Chapter No. 72 Order of the Eastern Star invites you to have your Christmas gifts wrapped by our members on December 5th during the Charlevoix Christmas Open House.

The proceeds from gift-wrapping your presents will go to our Student Special Needs Fund.

Our local Chapter of Eastern Star has initiated a Student Special Needs Fund for students that have limited financial means. We also put together hygiene packets that are distributed to students.

Bring your gifts to us for wrapping and enjoy coffee and donuts while you wait. We will be located in the Masonic Building on Mason Street on the lower level (behind SubWay).

Time: All Day. A minimum donation of \$2.00 per package is suggested. Your donation at the Christmas Gift Wrapping Fundraiser will help our students throughout the school year, not just at Christmas.

ANGEL FOOD

The next order day for Angel Food at Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene is 10 a.m. to noon on Dec. 5.

We will also take orders at Pine River Apartments upon request. That order will be delivered on Dec. 19, at the same location. It is now also available from our host site by ordering on line at angel-food.com through our host site by using a debit or credit card. We accept cash, money orders made out to Angel Food, and EBT cards on site. Seniors without transportation and those with disabilities who need help getting their order can make arrangements by calling the Director at 547-9346.

ST. MARY CRAFT SHOW. Call 547-9441 to reserve your booth.

EVENING GARDEN CLUB.

Charlevoix Evening Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 8 at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant. Call 547-5199 or 547-3091 for more information.

DEC. 11 DEADLINE

Kiwanis essay contest. Second Annual Charlevoix Kiwanis Club Vandenberg Essay Contest.

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club is sponsoring an essay contest open to all Charlevoix area students currently in the fifth-grade. Students are to explain, in one to two pages, which non-profit group they think an award of \$50 should be given and why they have selected that particular charity.

There will be multiple student essay contest winners and an award ceremony will be held in which winners and their parents will be invited.

Each student who wrote a winning essay will be presented with a \$50 check and the students in turn will present their check to their favorite charity.

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club hopes to encourage fifth grade students to think about all of the good things that the various charities do to help our community. The essay contest is named af-

ter former Charlevoix Kiwanis Club member Merle Vandenberg. Merle served Kiwanis as president of the local club and as a Lt. Governor.

He was a teacher and dedicated his life to helping Charlevoix area students. Essay contest application forms will be available at Charlevoix Middle School, St. Mary School, and Northwest Academy. Home school students may pick up an application at Round Lake Book Store in Charlevoix.

Essay must be submitted to their fifth-grade teacher by Dec. 11, or to Gayle Gennett.

Call Gennett at 547-5598 for more information.

DEC. 12

Christmas Choir.

"City of Light" is the 2009 annual Christmas Cantata, created and arranged by Tom Fetteke, which will be presented by a Community Christmas Choir, at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13 at the Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix located at the corner of US-31 and Meech Street in Charlevoix.

We are reminded of the mystery surrounding the revelations of a great light to come from the

prophet, Isaiah, and the oppression felt in Bethlehem from the Innkeeper. Mary will share what was on her heart in that lowly stable, and a grown up Shepherd remembers all he experienced on that special night. We are also reminded the light of the world was kindled for us in a rough, straw filled manger where God became flesh and dwelt among us more than 2000 years ago, and that same great light continues yet today.

There is no admissions charge, but an opportunity for giving to the Community is available via donations to the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

DEC. 12 and 13

Stepping Out Christmas Cantata.

At 6 p.m. Saturday Dec. 12 and Sunday, Dec. 13, "City of Light," the 2009 annual Christmas Cantata, created and arranged by Tom Fetteke, is being presented by the Community Christmas Choir at the Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix located at the corner of US-31 and Meech Street in Charlevoix.

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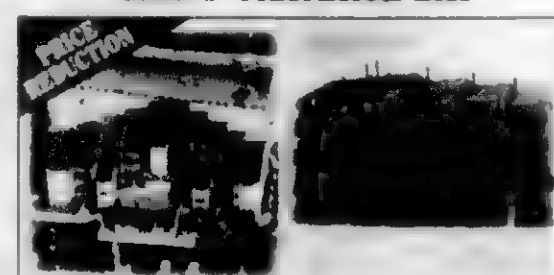
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Historic bldg.
or old shack?BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

The fourth oldest house in Charlevoix may be filled with history, but it could soon be replaced by asphalt.

The struggle may have not made headlines until now, but the verbal tug-of-war between city officials and local conservationists lives on in the whisper of e-mails.

"I'm concerned about the building because it played an important role in the

history of Charlevoix," said Charlevoix resident and business owner Rachel Wright of the former Charlevoix County Land Conservancy Building located at 108 Park Ave.

Wright, who owns the Alcove Cafe just down the street from the old building, said if the house is destroyed, so too will more than 100 years of history.

"It was built in 1870, by hand, by a shipbuilder named Campbell. He built

the home for a woman whose husband had just died and he ended up marrying her," Wright said. "The house remained in their family until the city acquired it."

The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority bought the house in 1995 with the expressed intent of utilizing the site's parking lot with the potential for expanding the lot across the entire site.

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Holiday shopping underway

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
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Rachel

Local business owners hope their cozy shops, unique gifts and friendly spirit will convince holiday

shoppers to stay local this season.

"For many folks, holiday gift shopping is a chore and it shouldn't be," said Keith Carey, Executive Director of the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority. "Downtown Charlevoix can help make your holiday shopping experience a fun,

family tradition."

No matter who you're shopping for, you're bound to find something in downtown Charlevoix.

"Downtown Charlevoix offers the true 'Currier and Ives' holiday feel," said Carey. "We have it all - twinkling holiday lights, beautifully decorated store windows, a community Christmas tree and plenty of seasonal spirit."

Mary Adams, owner of Consign and Design, says the holidays are a busy time of year for her store.

"Our shop is kind of set up for shopping local," said Adams.

"We have the work of several local artists here including paintings, pottery and

jewelry."

Adams also points out that they carry a large number of brand name items, many of which are discounted during the holidays.

"A huge percentage of our items are half off," said Adams.

"And we also carry a lot of holiday decorations."

Kilwin's also hopes to entice shoppers with good deals.

"Right now we're having an ice cream sale, buy one get one free that will last until the end of the year," said Kay Seelye, the shop's owner.

Seelye said holiday sales

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Holiday kickoff

Santa Claus was out and about during the annual open house and tree lighting ceremony in downtown Charlevoix. Children made ornaments to decorate the tree and hot chocolate was provided to warm the crowd. Here Santa poses with two youngsters following the lighting of the tree. Holiday festivities continue Saturday Dec. 5 with the 3rd Annual Flurry Fest.

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DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Fernando Sauro, 71, Gaylord. Use of marijuana. Credit for one day in jail; 59 days held in abeyance; serve 30 days of community service; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$800 in fines and costs.

Wilbur James Wiser Sr., 62, East Jordan. No operator license on person. Pay \$300 or serve four days in jail.

Jason Allen Gier, 28, Ches-

terfield. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Daniel Michael Threlkeld, 29, Charlevoix. Motor vehicle without security. Pay \$365 in fines and costs.

Joseph Ross Breidenstein, 30, Walloon Lake. Operating while license suspended/revoked/denied/allow. To serve 20 days in jail; \$800 in fines and costs.

Jonathan Phillip Cook, 51, Lawton. Disorderly person. \$900 in fines and costs.

Dennis Casey Erdelyi, 38, Petoskey. Domestic violence, first offense. To serve 88 days in jail; \$500 in fines and costs.

Jodi Kaye Schroeder, 40,

Boyer City. Embezzlement of more than \$200, but less than \$1,000. Credit for one day in jail; 18 days held in abeyance; serve 40 days of community service work; to serve 18 months on probation; \$9,385.40 in fines and costs.

George Richard Hirth, 59, Clarkston. Driving while impaired. Credit for one day in jail; 30 days held in abeyance; serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; to attend substance abuse classes; \$1,080 in fines and costs.



Tools for tots

Seven Northern Michigan Ace Hardware stores have joined forces to launch "Tools for Tots." The project will benefit Toys for Tots, Charlevoix Community Food Pantry, Manna and the Father Fred Foundation. Local Ace stores will be selling an eight-piece kids tool box set for only \$5 with the total sales going to Toys for Tots and local food pantries. Ace stores are also drop points for Toys for Tots.



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Cookie walk

The First Congregational Church will hold its annual cookie walk 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5. Hundreds of homemade holiday cookies will be sold by the pound.



G. RANDALL GOSS/NEWS-REVIEW

Ready for the slopes

Abby Johnson, 6, of Charlevoix tries on a pair ski boots with the help of her mother Michelle Johnson, at the Mt. McSauba ski and snowboard sale, Saturday at Mt. McSauba. The sale included new and used items with profits going toward a new snow groomer.

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From posterity to parking lot?

HISTORIC?

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"A public hearing was held in 1995 to determine the best use and public parking was discussed as a use for that entire site, so this is nothing new," said Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority executive director Keith Carey.

However, Carey said, the fate of the building has not been predetermined.

"The building is aesthetically and structurally in poor shape," Carey said.

"It would take a minimum investment of \$40,000 to \$60,000 just to address the major issues: electrical, plumbing, foundation; and then we have estimates that it could cost another \$100,000 or more to take care of the rest, and for what? — is it necessary for the city to be competing with private property owners over additional office or retail space?"

He added, "It's not on the tax rolls, it's DDA owned and it's not serving a purpose right now. And, right now it could be potentially difficult to sell that parcel during this real estate market and recoup the \$200,000 it cost just for the purchase price."

Wright said she is not asking the DDA or city to eat the cost, but to wait one more year and see if an individual or group is willing to assume care of the property. Carey said the DDA would be happy to give the house to anyone willing to move it at their own cost.

"The house is significant

because of the role it did play in the community — it's location," Wright said.

"If you move the house you still have a house but it is no longer qualified to be on the national register of historic sites."

The Charlevoix Historical Society cannot assume responsibility for the house because they already have three properties: Depot Beach train depot, the Harsha House Museum and the navigational aid at Lake Michigan Beach known as the lighthouse.

"I'm just asking them (DDA) for a year," Wright said. "Delay the this for one year ... if we cannot find sources of money or get groups together, then go ahead and do something else with it."

Carey said the DDA simply doesn't have another year to wait.

"By piggybacking the construction of a parking area (at 108 Park Ave.) with the street work planned for Park Avenue, we think we can realize significant savings," Carey said.

Carey could not say exactly what those savings would be on the street project planned to begin in Spring, 2010, but that they could be significant.

"Right now we can get 23 cars parked as they are supposed to be parked (at 108 Park Ave.)," Carey said.

"But, we could dramatically increase the number of parking spots and still have an aesthetically pleasing buffer."

He added, "To do this, we

would have to have a decision made by the end of January, 2010 — that would be the last possible time."

The tentative new lot could allow for at least 50 parking spaces.

Regardless of the savings, Wright wants to see a public hearing on the matter.

"I think it's the wrong decision," Wright said. "Them saving money doing it is irrelevant. I think we should take our time and do the right thing."

Carey said the DDA has already been down the path of lending the property to a non-profit organization which promised to care for the building.

"For 10 years the land conservancy was supposed to be maintaining and improving the house and property," Carey said. "But I think they bit off more than they could chew, and there wasn't anyone here in city hall holding the tenants accountable," Carey said.

The bulk of the funding for the project would come from the city's traffic fund which receives dollars from sources including parking fines.

Carey said he plans to meet with the joint historic study committee and local historic commission to formalize his offer to sell the house for \$1 as long as the new owners move the house at their cost.

Parties interested in purchasing the house should contact the Charlevoix DDA by calling 547-3257 or e-mailing kcarey@cityofcharlevoix.org.



PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

The building pictured above is located at 108 Park Ave. It is one of the oldest houses in Charlevoix, which is why some people would like to see the structure saved and used as a historic space. However, the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority owns the building, and it will likely be demolished to make room for a larger parking lot on the property later this spring.

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GENEROUS CITIZEN SETS GREAT EXAMPLE

EDITORIAL

Two Fridays ago the readers of the Petoskey News-Review and Charlevoix Courier were introduced to the Cole family headed by 25-year-old Renae.

The young mother was frantic. She had four of her own children and three young siblings in her care in the wake of her mother's death a year ago.

She had no money, no car and

no place but the streets to go. She had come to Northern Michigan from Detroit to make a better life for her family.

Her teenage sister stopped going to college down state so she could help her sister care for the seven children and the family of nine had been here less than a year.

It's never easy for strangers in a strange land, but the family muddled through until they could

go no further and they were on the brink of homelessness.

Then it happened: happenstance, providence, divine intervention or plain old luck—a giver with both the means and the heart to do good came along and helped seven innocent children and their caretakers avoid the uncertainty of living on the street.

That giver was Bill Schuiling, a private citizen who made the choice to comfort those in dis-

stress. He didn't stop to ask them their race or religion or nationality. He didn't stop to ask them for an accounting of their money.

He didn't admonish them for being poor.

He didn't shame them for the number of children.

He simply opened his heart and his mind and helped those most fragile in our society: children whose only mistake was being

born into poverty.

This story had a happy ending, still others are hurting.

Those who care can hope and wait and pray for another miraculous act of humanity or we can get out there and do the work ourselves.

Bill has said that giving isn't only a wealthy man's game. He said anyone with time to volunteer or \$10 to spare can change a life. He's correct.

Thanks to all those who give to their local food pantry, donate blood, work on community projects, send used clothing and home supplies to the Rainbow Shoppe and anyone who takes the time to aid a person in need.

If we can work together as people, and show even a little of the humanity Mr. Schuiling has shown, we can make this holiday season, and the upcoming year a heck of a lot brighter.

Diamonds not always a girl's best friend; the boorish side of bling



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwidt

I like a shiny bauble as much as the next gal. Maybe that's an overstatement. Strike that. I reach for that piece of jewelry to pull together an ensemble and preview the result, more often than not, I will return it to the box from whence it came. For some reason, it's just never worked

for me. Wrought in plastic or platinum, jewelry has enjoyed a prominent place in the world's heart and history.

From pterodactyl talons tied with animal gut to the Hope diamond, man and womankind have adorned themselves with their age's version of bling. And I do enjoy a good display on someone else. I just can't support the weight myself.

Culturally, we have been conditioned to lust for the lavish. When Julia Roberts reaches for the contents of Richard Gere's proffered velvet box in "Pretty Woman," I am disappointed that he misses snapping the lid down on her fingers and possibly popping off a press-on nail or two. Her honey burst of laughter—overtly calculated to convey her character's winsome earthy charm—spikes the aspirations of impres-

sionable girls while simultaneously braying a death knell for the self-respect of heart-of-gold hookers everywhere.

With the advent of the urban music scene, bling has become a badge of honor.

The bedecking of every digit and appendage that will support swag is now de rigueur. For the trendsetters and their crew, opulence is no longer optional. Glittering gems imbedded in chunky gold pendants, rings and teeth confirm the solid financial status of the host, often from a great distance.

I am further mystified by the popularity of necklaces that proclaim the wearer's name. Most recently revived by the Carrie Bradshaw character in "Sex and the City," the look seems like something that would appeal more to schoolchildren than to fashion-forward career

Women who have ever had a job requiring a name tag would probably agree that the disadvantages of strangers having easy access to one's name far outweigh the benefits. Displayed in elegant, 24-karat script or scrawled in felt pen, the effect is the same. Unless, one falls victim to amnesia, what's the point?

I concede that I have an unusually low threshold for bling. When I do drape myself in something, or other, I feel fettered. I don't wear rings. I know this sounds crazy, but my fingers are claustrophobic. The same goes for choker necklaces, earrings, bangle bracelets and wristwatches.

If pushed to the wall by a special occasion, I can work with pins, brooches and the occasional pendant. At times, the delusion that I

have evolved beyond garish all the way to chic will prompt a hopeless purchase. But too often I've been lulled into selections that seemed like a good idea at the time, only to fall short when pressed into service.

While many may compliment their appearance with glittering accoutrements, it doesn't take much to transform me into a sparkling eyecore. I don't wear jewelry so much as I wear me. I somehow always feel that it may jump ship, mid-scene, to someone with a more highly developed fashion sense.

In fact, this has happened more than once. If someone admires an item that is awkwardly straddling my throat or limb, I will most likely take it off and hand it over as a gift. My sense of relief and freedom is at least equal to the surprise of the recipient. (Although, interestingly

enough, none of them have whined like show ponies). And any subsequent remorse that may arise due to the inappropriate dispensing of pricey trinkets to someone with whom I have only a vague acquaintance is fleeting.

So if you have a hankering to add to your collection, come and sit by me. You may preface our conversation with unrelated subjects such as travel, dogs or music to put me into a generous frame of mind.

When you notice that I am tugging at the chain around my neck and gasping slightly for air, make your move. Something as simple as "What a lovely necklace," will suffice. It will only take a moment for me to unclasp the thing and drop it into your hand before I head for the buffet, free at last.

E-mail Christine Gwidt at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

War and peace and the words that drive us to them



EAR TO THE GROUND

Roger Knutson

In 1878, the "sun never set on the British Empire," and "Britannia ruled the waves." Russia was threatening to seize Istanbul (Constantinople at the time) and control of the entrance to the Black Sea. War seemed imminent,

but a large contingent of the British fleet frightened off the Russians.

A tiny bit of unimportant history, except that it provided the English language with an important word.

An English music hall ditty of that time (like a Jay Leno monologue today) had these words: "We don't want to fight, yet by jingo if we do, we've got the ships, we've got the men and the money, too."

From that song and the political climate of the time, we get the word "jingoism," a synonym for bellicose, chauvinistic or excessive patriotism. It is difficult not to be struck with some of the similarities

to our own time when the sun never sets on the many parts of the American military around the world, and we certainly rule the waves.

The jingosts wanted to go to war then and they still do.

Chauvinism as part of the language also comes from considerations of excessive patriotism.

Chauvin was a character in a French play from the 1830s who exhibited blind patriotism in support of Napoleon.

As is usually the case, the Greeks had a word for human characteristics like chauvinism or jingoism. The Greek word is "hubris" and

usually translates as overweening pride or self-confidence.

To the Greeks, such a characteristic ordinarily resulted in tragedy. They contrasted "hubris" with "sophrosyne" which means prudent, self-controlled or reasonable.

Sophrosyne has not made its way very far into the English language, but it is available and potentially useful.

Dating back to the Vietnam War, we have had our own words for those who demonstrate jingoistic tendencies. At that time, people in power were either "hawks" or "doves."

Hawks were supportive of that

war and the doves preferred peace. There was, as now, very little middle ground. The language used then is important. Who would want to be a dove? Doves are, after all, just hawk food. And hawks are like smaller eagles.

I believe we should reach back into history for words to characterize those who currently believe we must "win" a war or be labeled wimps or even doves, and promote war as the first choice in international policy making.

We could hope that those in power would be more prudent than chauvinistic, more reasonable than hubristic and more carefully

patiotic than reflectively jingoistic.

For now, let us not call those who seek war and promote winning at any cost something as noble as hawks. Let's call them what they truly are.

Let's from now on refer to them "hubristic, chauvinistic, jingosts." That is a label that it seems to me would not be desired or sought by anyone.

Maybe with language we could discourage that pattern of thinking. Could we come to prefer leaders who demonstrated sophrosynistic behavior?

We can only hope.

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LETTERS to the editor

GRATEFUL FOR GRUB

The Community Food Pantry would like to thank the staff at Shabby Girls Salon for sponsoring the "Cram the Cooper" food drive Nov. 20 and 21.

Over 1,300 pounds of food was donated and close to \$200 in cash.

This food will go a long way toward feeding those in our local area who find themselves in need this winter.

We appreciate Glenda, Wendy and Brian for giving up their week-end and we are grateful to all of the shoppers who gave so generously. Sue Dixon, president Community Food Pantry

COOPER CRAMMED WITH GENEROSITY

Shabby Girls Thanks the community for making "Cram the Cooper" a success.

The first-ever "Cram the Cooper," sponsored by Shabby Girls Salon & Day Spa was a success thanks to the generosity of the Charlevoix community people.

The weather even cooperated providing two dry and sunny days for the event held at Oleson's Grocery store in downtown Charlevoix.

People from all walks of life and every age group participated in donating non-perishable food items and cash to help provide for families in need through the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry.

The result was a "crammed Mini-Cooper" with 1,300 pounds of donated items which flowed out the top of the moon-roof.

Also, \$182 in cash was donated to help purchase items needed by the food pantry. Many other items were also donated to make this event a success.

Shabby Girls would like to thank the following for their contributions: Bob Borths and the staff at Oleson's Grocery store for the space and support; Paul Cascani for the donated color posters; the many businesses around town for placing the posters; the Charlevoix Courier for helping to get the word out; Diane Shull for donating the

bouquet of balloons; Tom and Pam for donating a pizza after loading the truck with all the food; and Ken and Karen Stolpmann for boxing the food, weighing the food, and loading the truck.

Glenda Wilhelm Charlevoix

PAUSE FOR POSTERITY

In 2007, Charlevoix adopted the "Downtown Blueprint," a plan that reflected the preferences and visions of hundreds of its citizens, and was the result of months of public meetings and analysis.

The consultants who wrote the plan for us summarized our wishes for the downtown in this way: "A historic, waterfront Downtown that is full, vibrant, friendly, and refreshing; a walker-friendly and bike-friendly Downtown with tons of great shops and the most beautiful water views; a family-oriented, year-round Downtown that is a place people want to go to and spend hours and hours; a destination that has retained

its quaintness, uniqueness, and historic character."

The people of Charlevoix own an historic building at 108 Park Ave.

Built in 1870, it is the fourth oldest structure in the city. The houses on either side are the second and third oldest.

Preservationists believe the structure to be sound, but the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority, without soliciting public comment and without obtaining a formal assessment by a preservation architect, has decided to raze it and build a parking lot.

I have heard that bids for the demolition have already been solicited. Our city officials claim that "the DDA owns the building," and can therefore do whatever it wants.

That apparently includes ignoring its own plan, the wishes of citizens, and several studies that have recommended no more parking lots on the side streets.

There is money languishing in the parking fund, and

"some people," according to our city planner, are asking why it hasn't yet been spent.

I propose that we delay for one year, and take the time as a community to consider options that may be of greater value to the citizens of Charlevoix than another downtown parking lot.

Raechel Wright Charlevoix

SUMMIT SUCCESSFUL

I want to thank all of the community members that helped to make the Northern Michigan Summit Against Abuse and Assault a success.

Specifically the Charlevoix Ministerial Association for their help and support and the pastors that attended the events.

Basyle Tchividian, the grandson of Billy Graham, said that he had never seen five different pastors from different denominations praying together united on this issue as happened at the end of the Healing and Worship Service.

I want to thank Pastor Chip Sauer for hosting the event at the Community Reformed Church, and the Family Of Faith Church for the volunteers they supplied and the endorsement and support of the event by Pastor Arp.

Thanks also go to the United Methodist Women who volunteered and cooked and served food, they did an excellent job.

Gratitude also goes out to the merchants of Charlevoix who donated flowers and gifts for the speakers.

Thanks also goes out to the Greensky Hill United Methodist Church for their musical participation in the event, to the Ragmuffins for their excellent opening of the event with their dance, and the praise and worship band for the music provided.

Forgive me if I failed to mention you as supporters, as there were so many who helped.

May the Lord Bless You All

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Sewing skills

Charlevoix resident, Joy Halverson, works with the Char-Em ISD New Horizons teens on a sewing project. Halverson, a seamstress, worked with the students to sew a baby diaper tote. Four students completed the sewing project including Brooke Miller (left) of Petoskey, and Stephanie Temple of Alanson. Also working on the tote bag but not pictured were Anneta Herscher of Bliss and Sami Brunel of Boyne Falls.



COURTESY PHOTO

Dance the Halls

Enjoy an artistic blend of classical ballet and modern dance during an evening performance by the Crooked Tree Arts Center's advanced dancers at 8 p.m. on Dec. 4. The show features an original Masquerade Ballet, a modern dance piece, and selections from the second act of the Nutcracker. The performance will be held at the Ross Stokes Theater in the Crooked Tree Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 students, and \$20 reserved seating.



Master mathematician

Matthew Brown, Charlevoix High sophomore, has once again qualified as a finalist in the 53rd Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition. He is among the top 1,000 students from among 8,000 students who participated in Part I of the competition in October. He received the highest score among the 26 Charlevoix High School students who participated and will compete in Part II.

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December 4	Charlevoix Hospital's Holly Daze
December 5	Merchant Open House & 3rd Annual Flurry Fest
December 5	Cookie Walk at 1st Congregational Church
December 11	BIGGEST Little Christmas Party at Castle Farms

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COURTESY PHOTO

St. Mary honor roll

St. Mary Children made the honor roll by earning all A's and B's. Pictured are fourth-grade students Aidan Flynn, Lauren House, Olivia Jeakle, Camden Musilek, Daniel Nesburg, Natalie Nesburg, Rachel Nesburg, Alexandria Snabes; fifth-grade students Isabelle Buday, Luke Buday, Brande Dishinger, Julia Doskoch, Mackenzy O'Leary, Megan Romano, Grace Sutherland, Kamryn Vayser; sixth-grade students Quincy Greene, Michael Nesburg, Austin Putman, and Emily Zabawa.

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Ragamuffins show 'Girl Power'

BY TINA SUNDELIUS
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Ragamuffin Children's Theater presented a girls-only empowerment musical last Tues. at the Charlevoix High School.

Charlevoix schools first-through eighth-grade girls visited the high school on Nov. 24.

Ragamuffin founder and director Kathleen Whittaker greeted the girls by exclaiming, "This is the beginning of a movement that is going to sweep across the country and eventually across the world."

The full costume musical was filled with a message to inspire the girls to live a great life and realize the beauty within themselves.

Whittaker began by relating to her childhood feelings and acknowledging that she knew that "There was something more about her than other people didn't know about yet."

"If you don't quite know it yet, you're special," Whittaker added.

The show featured the Ragamuffins singing and dancing the message of what it takes to make your dreams come true.

"You have to say no to some things so you can say yes to things that really count, like family," said Whittaker.

Longing for popularity and lack of confidence was addressed by the Ragamuffins and the message that every girl is created unique just the way she is, was presented through song and dance.

The topic of choosing a Prince or an Ogre was covered as well as the need for a girl to be herself.

"You have to be yourself because you are you, there could never be a more beautiful you," said Whittaker.

In between exciting musical, dance numbers Whittaker was joined by Christine Sell and Charney Closson on stage to discuss the issues presented by the performers repeating the message that each girl has something inside herself that this world needs.

"Stand to your feet, declare my life matters, I count, I'm going to live beautiful," said Whittaker.

Homegrown singer and one-time Ragamuffin Jetty Rae sang prelude and concluded with "The Climax" and was joined by over half the girls in the audience on stage.

"It was so deep, it made me feel like I belonged somewhere. It made me feel like I am beautiful," said Leah Talarca, Charlevoix eighth grader.

Whittaker wrote and choreographed the production.

"I've worked with girls for 25 years. I've seen how they're bombarded everyday with messages that seem to crush and defeat them," said Whittaker.

"I hope they find something they could take personally into their lives." Whittaker began the Ragamuffin Children's Theater as a ministry in Sept. of 2001.

"I had a vision to raise up a generation of world changer girls that would live their lives bigger," said Whittaker. "For a cause bigger than themselves."

More information on the Ragamuffin Children's Theater can be found at Ragamuffintheater.com.



Jetty Rae and Lisa Ritchie join the Ragamuffins at a presentation of So You Want To Be A Princess at Charlevoix High School last Tuesday Nov. 24.

PHOTOS BY TINA SUNDELIUS



The Ragamuffin Children's Theater Group (above) performed So You Want To Be A Princess for Charlevoix Elementary and Middle School girls on Nov. 24.

The Ragamuffins along with Kathleen Whittaker, Christine Sell and Charney Closson (left) have a heart to heart talk with first-through eighth-grade girls last Tuesday at the Charlevoix High School.

Girls flood the stage (below) at the Ragamuffins performance of 'So You Want To Be A Princess.'



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Area Church Services

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Tuesday Worship Intercession	7:00 p.m.
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:10 a.m.
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Wednesday Evening	7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Mike Way	547-4438
BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Barnard at Blosser Road	
Church Services	10:10 a.m.
Worship	10:10 a.m.
Pastor: Ray Pank	536-2161
BELLFLOWER REFORMED CHURCH 8031 Church Road, Ellsworth	
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff	
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH 11906 US-31 North	
Worship Service	10:10 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	9:15 a.m.
Rev. Michael L. Leachner	547-9446
BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 5555 M-46	
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening	6:00 p.m.
Pastor: James D. Green	547-4100
CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 104 State Street	
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Todd Thompson	547-2654 or -5168
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Sunday Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	9:15 a.m.
Church Office	547-4322
Rev. John S. D'Amico	
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 201 Clinton Street	
Sunday Service	11:00 a.m.
Sunday School	11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening	7:00 p.m.
Reading Room - Wednesday	1:30-6:30 p.m.
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 6429 N. M-46	
Sunday Sacraments	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School	11:00 a.m.
Primary & Relief Society	12:15 p.m.
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President: Michael Robison	588-2112 or -6159
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Morning Worship	9:30 a.m.
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Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Chris Oliver	547-5711
COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD 281 W. Harbor	
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Pastor: Neil Turner	547-1875
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Church Office	547-9482
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Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Rev. Carl Adams	588-7885
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Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
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Pastor: Rev. Chris Wallace	588-4555
FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRIES 201 E. Upright	
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Pastor: Michael App	547-4221
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Pastor: Timothy Wright	582-9262
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Sunday Mass	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
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Western Michigan University students officially graduate at the end of the University's four academic terms. These terms and the month they usually end in are: fall semester, December; spring semester, April; summer I session, June; and summer II session, August. The

University conducts formal commencement ceremonies for all but summer II session graduates (August).

Lindsay J. Withrow graduated with a bachelor's of business administration/sales and business marketing earlier this June.

WMU's next formal commencement, the 2009 fall-semester exercises, will take place Saturday, Dec. 19. Go to www.wmich.edu/commencement for information about the ceremonies planned. The official list of fall graduates is expected to be released in February.



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"Cram" a success

The first annual "Cram the Cooper," sponsored by Shabby Girls Salon & Day Spa was a success thanks to the generosity of the Charlevoix community people. The result was a "crammed Mini-Cooper" with 1,300 pounds of donated items which flowed out the top of the moon-roof. Also, \$182 in cash was donated to help purchase items needed by the food pantry. Many other items were also donated to make this event a success.



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Great Wall, great read

Patty and Dan Paasman of Farmington Hills and Charlevoix are seen catching up on a little hometown Charlevoix news while visiting The Great Wall in Badaling, China.

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Kaylyn Malloux is pictured returning her books to the Charlevoix Public Library recently.

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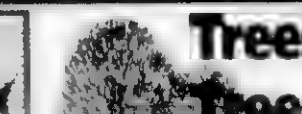
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TURKEY DAY SWIM



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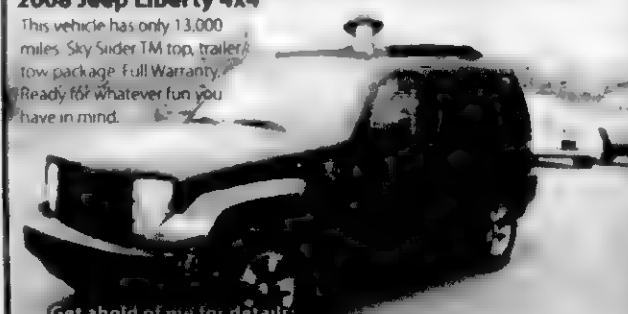


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State Sen. Jason Allen attended the Friday Nov. 27 community tree lighting ceremony in downtown Charlevoix. Crowds gathered for hot chocolate while carolers sang Christmas tunes. The tree was lit after having been decorated by children's hand-made ornaments at Santa's workshop downtown.



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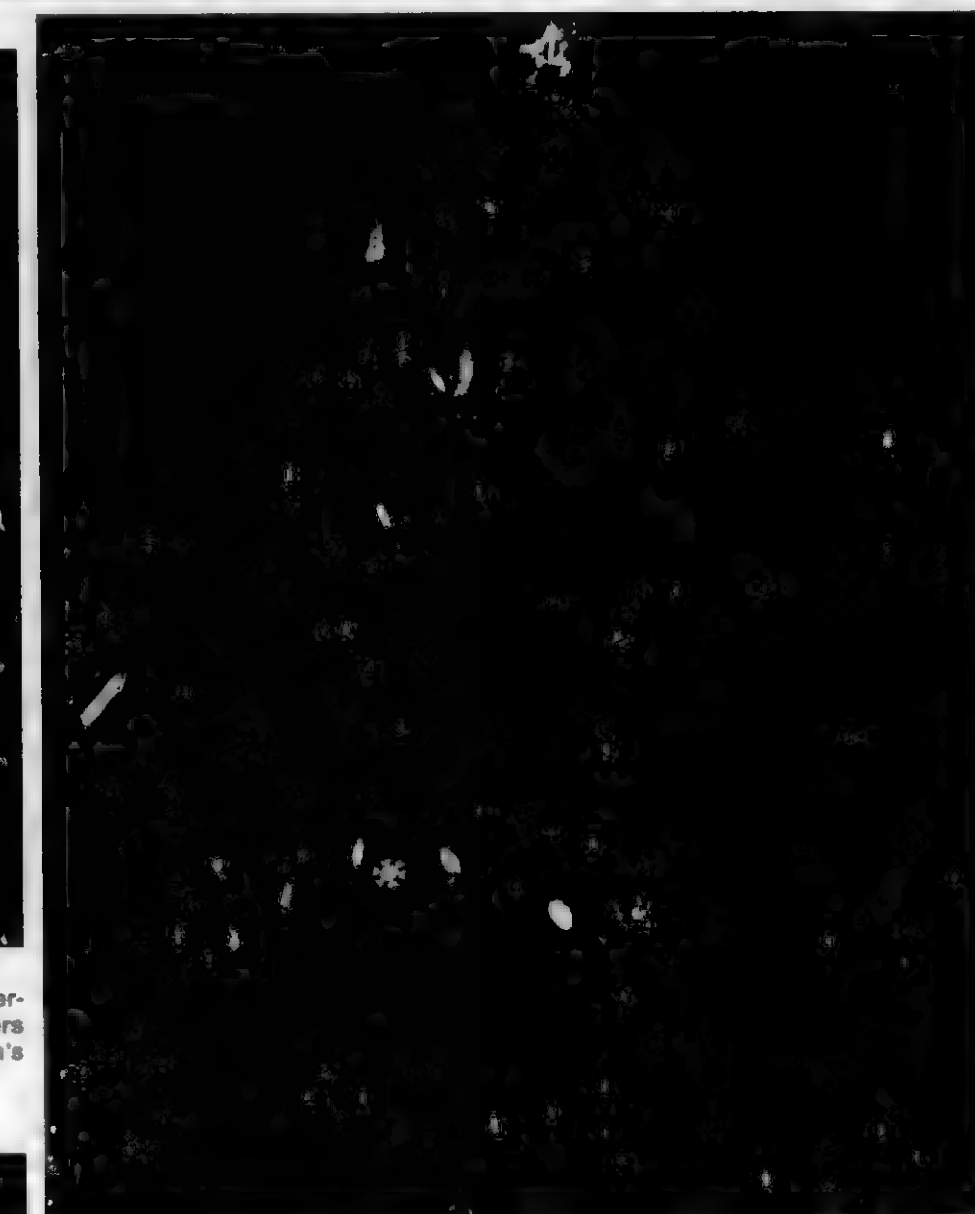
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Will Black Friday lead to a green '09?

SHOPPING

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don't really pick up until mid-December, but they offer a number of items for those on your gift list.

"We go through a lot of stocking stuffers this time of year," said Seelye.

"We sell lots of trays with chocolate dipped items such as pretzel rods and rice crispy treats. The trays are great for a party or office gift."

Chet Morris, owner of Revolution Bike, believes there is no reason to shop out of town this season.

"People will still go to the big box stores, but if people do decide to stick around Charlevoix, they'll find great deals on everything they're looking for," said Morris.

Morris says his sales usually pick up in December, and then again after the first of the year.

Revolution Bike carries everything from bikes and fitness equipment to snowshoes, snowboards and

clothing.

"Almost everything in the store is at least 20 percent off this time of year," said Morris.

And with a struggling economy, shopping locally is more important than ever this holiday season.

"By patronizing neighborhood shops and eateries this season, residents can expect to experience personal service, enjoy unique gift ideas, and most importantly, help their community by supporting local job providers," said Carey.

"Downtown offers convenient parking, great holiday sales, and the shopping experience you simply cannot find at a mall or in front of your computer."

To help shoppers get into the holiday spirit, Downtown Charlevoix's 3rd Annual Flurry Fest and Merchants Open House will take place on Saturday, December 5th.

For a schedule of events, visit www.downtowncharlevoix.com.



PHOTO BY RACHEL BROUGHAM

With Thanksgiving nearly a week behind, Christmas shoppers are out in full swing. Local shopowners say they have enough quality products and holiday deals to fulfill your shopping needs.

Rare book donated

BY DAVE MILES
SPECIAL TO THE
COURIER

The Charlevoix Historical Society recently received the donation of a rare and extremely relevant book rescued from the toss-out bin of the University of Iowa library in Iowa City. Timothy Barrett, Research Scientist and Adjunct Professor at the University's Center for the Book, spotted the volume that was once in the possession of the Iowa State Library in Des Moines and marked "Withdrawn."

It is a translation of the letters that Jesuit Father Pierre Francois Xavier de Charlevoix wrote to his friend the Duchess of Lesdiguières in France describing his "Travels In North America," 1720-1722. The book was published in London in 1763, two years after Father Charlevoix's death. Prof. Barrett wondered if it might have some value.

He consulted with his sister, Barbara Lucas, who has visited Charlevoix, to discuss what the next step might be. Together they determined that if the book belonged anywhere, it was the one place in the United States that received the name of the intrepid explorer, journalist, and important historian who gave Charlevoix County, later the town, his name.

They had it appraised, and found the book destined to be thrown out is worth \$3,500. It now resides at the Historical Society's Harsha House Museum. The relevance of the work is contained in the following

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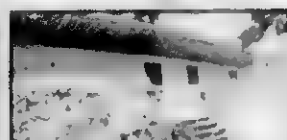
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Music, hot chocolate, reindeer and shopping top Flurry Fest

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now in its third year partnering with the merchant open house in downtown Charlevoix, the annual Flurry Fest has become a Charlevoix mainstay.

Festival spokesman and chief organizer Keith Carey said this year's festival is slightly shorter and in a new location, but the holiday atmosphere will be as vigorous as ever on Saturday Dec. 5 in East Park.

"We're taking it to 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and we are moving it to East Park and not going to close Bridge Street this year," Carey said. "We had talked about doing that

in the past, but really wanted to give East Park a full year of use before we did that."

While Flurry Fest kicks off at 3 p.m., it is merely a portion of the day's lineup of events.

At noon, Santa will get a ride to the Christmas tree at the northwest corner of East Park by the Charlevoix City Fire Department.

Youngsters will have the chance to tell the big man what they want for Christmas. Bring a camera and get a picture of the moment.

Charlevoix Cinema III owner Bill Supernaw is donating a kids' movie with cost of admission a can of

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KEITH CAREY,
FLURRY FEST DIRECTOR

food to be given to the local food pantry.

The movie begins at 1 p.m. and allows parents time to do some shopping

downtown while the little ones are entertained.

Then, at 3 p.m., Flurry Fest kicks off with the Petoskey Steel Drum Band.

Crazy Richard the Madd Juggler, a complimentary hot chocolate bar where people will be able to vote on their favorite of a half-dozen locally made hot chocolates.

Santa's reindeer will also attend Flurry Fest. They will be around from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in East Park.

In addition to the festivities in East Park, local merchants will be offer-

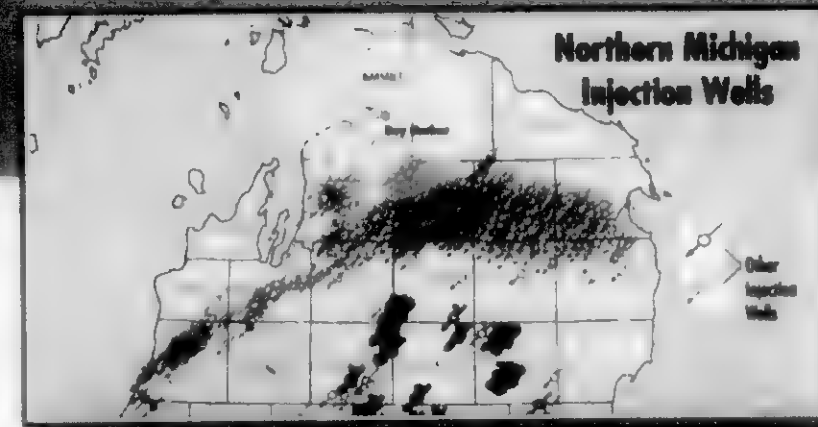
ing special holiday sales, entertainment and treats throughout the various storefronts in Charlevoix.

"Hopefully this event provides ample opportunity for families to get together and also do some shopping," Carey said. "We've tried to create a community event to appeal to local residents, but also folks who may be in town to enjoy an early holiday vacation."

This is the third
in a series of updates

outlining the water treatment and disposal options being considered right now by CMS Land and government officials. As part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, millions of gallons of groundwater, high in alkalinity and containing trace amounts of mercury and other contaminants, are collected at the shoreline in order to protect the Bay. Collection of this water will go on for the foreseeable future, but what to do with it for the long term remains a crucial unanswered question. Any final solution must answer the following questions.

- Does the solution protect human health and Little Traverse Bay?
- Does it provide a local solution to this local problem?
- Is it supported by sound science?
- Does it significantly reduce the mercury levels of the water?
- Does it relieve local road congestion and safety issues associated with tanker truck traffic?
- Does it minimize disruption to the community, economy and tourism?
- Is the solution economically reasonable?



Exploring Options for Protecting Our Bay

OPTION: Dispose of the collected water in a deep injection well in Emmet County.

Class I wells inject hazardous and non-hazardous wastes into deep, isolated rock formations that are thousands of feet below underground sources of drinking water. There are approximately 550 Class I wells in the United States. The geology of the Gulf Coast and the Great Lakes area is best suited for these types of wells, and most Class I wells are found in these regions. There are currently 24 Class I disposal wells in Michigan.

Two years ago, CMS Land began the process of identifying a suitable location for a disposal well and examined the available geological information around Emmet County. The company's analysis of the data indicated that there is a low likelihood that a well drilled in this area would be able to meet the project's water disposal needs. Instead, based on the abundant scientific data and the proven track record of disposal wells operating in Antrim County, a permit application was submitted to develop a disposal well there.

In contrast to the previously discussed well locations in Antrim and Otsego counties, there is very limited well data available in Emmet County. While the initial research into an Emmet County disposal well wasn't promising, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality asked that CMS reexamine the area and submit an application for a local well as part of a thorough exploration of all local options. CMS is honoring that request and recently submitted permit applications to the MDEQ and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. If the regulatory agencies approve the application, CMS would then be required to test drill the well to verify the geology before receiving an operating permit.

An Emmet County well, near the project site, would be a local solution and ease trucking and congestion concerns. When appropriately sited and constructed, disposal wells have a proven track record of safe disposal. However, as shown in the map above, there are no disposal wells located in Emmet County. This lack of local scientific data opens questions about the suitability of and likely legal challenges regarding the construction a disposal well in Emmet County.

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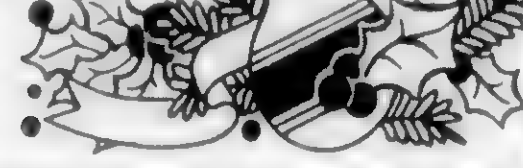
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LETTERS to the editor

Heidi Miller
Charlevoix

FEELING THEIR PAIN

Editor:
My heart melted when I read the first article in the paper in regards to the Cole Family. (Petoskey News-Review, Friday Nov. 20)

But when the second article came out yesterday (Petoskey News-Review, Tuesday Nov. 24), I could do nothing but cry over the huge response this family received.

It's nice to know that there are people out there that really do care and want to help.

My husband had the opportunity to work for Bill Schuiling when there was some construction going on at his home in Charlevoix.

At that time my husband worked for J. Arnold Painting. He always told me that

Bill was an amazing man.

We always hear of ways this man has helped the community without expecting anything in return.

I know how this family feels.

But the difference between this family and mine, is that we have a place to go and we have made the decision to leave our rented home to avoid eviction. As mom's, we tend to do everything in our power to make sure our kids are safe and healthy but when the resources fail because of the size of your family, things tend to look a little gloomy.

The wonderful state that Michigan is in is just getting worse and worse.

I am a mother of 8 wonderful kids, 4 of which were diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis. My husband works for the post office part-time and I am working part-time

with a convenience store in East Jordan and I am also a volunteer with the EJ Ambulance Dept. When my hours were cut from 40 to 16, we panicked.

So as far as feeling her pain, I'm there.

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Pine River Inc. on 'Extreme Makeover'



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Pictured is how a home usually looks before having its siding installed. The picture to the far right of the page shows the e-log siding as installed.

E-LOG

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years could we have been able to showcase our product to that many people in that short of a time period."

Combined, over 20 million estimated viewers saw the e-log on its first two appearances on Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.

"It's difficult to get that type of publicity any other way," Way explained.

Energy efficiency and ease of maintenance are both goals of the Extreme Makeover: Home Edition design process. Thus, it was no surprise when Pine River Inc. was contacted yet again to participate in an extreme home makeover for the third time in less than nine months just this past summer. The response was a resounding yes.

This time the show's designers wanted to make use of Pine River's newer product, e-timber. Similar in concept and design to e-logs, e-timber is both energy efficient and easy to install, making Pine River Inc. yet again a perfect match for Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.

"Again, we got to be a part of something huge," Way explained, "and for our third

experience I got asked to stay and be a part of the reveal."

"This time I really got the opportunity to get involved in more than just the building process," Way said. "I was scheduled to leave upon completion of the project and the producers and design crew asked me to stay and be a part of the reveal."

As far as Extreme Makeover goes, the reveal is the big part. The deserving family, after a week away gets to come home and discover their new home for the first time. Tears flow freely and emotions run high as the designers, builders, volunteers and community members come together to welcome the family into their new home.

"To be a part of something that powerful is an amazing thing," Way explained. "It's completely and totally over the top - the final results are, as the show name implicates, nothing short of extreme."

According to Way, Pine River Inc. and the e-log will make their third show appearance on air sometime in late January or early February. For more information on Extreme Makeover Home Edition and the e-log products, visit www.e-logssiding.com or contact Pine River Inc. at (231) 758-3400.



Smart Financial Moves Can Help Brighten Holiday Season

Benjamin Muladore
Financial Advisor

If you're like many people, you're watching your dollars extra carefully this year as you do your holiday shopping. And that's a good thing, because even in the best of times, it's never wise to go overboard on gifts. But by making the right moves during this holiday season, you can also help ensure that you stay on track toward your long-term financial goals.

Specifically, what steps should you be taking during these weeks? Here are a few suggestions:

- Avoid racking up big debts. In a time of economic uncertainty, the last thing you want is to take on a new debt load. Everyone in your life who is important enough to receive a gift from you will understand if you don't splurge on presents you can't afford. And winter can be pretty gloomy when you're trying to pay

off big credit card bills from the past holiday season.

- Establish a gift fund. For next year's gift-giving season, you may want to open a special "gift fund." Of course, it's not easy for any of us to find "extra" money after we're done paying our bills, so the best way to set up your gift fund may be to have the money moved automatically each month from your checking or savings account to another liquid account — one that you wouldn't normally touch for your day-to-day expenses. Even if you can only afford to put in a small amount each month, you might be surprised at how much you'll accumulate in a year.

- Don't touch long-term investments to pay for gifts. Some people tap into their long-term investments to pay for holiday gifts, telling themselves they'll re-fund the investment when they "get caught up" — but that rarely happens. In fact, once you cash out part of an investment to pay for a gift or an everyday expense, you'll set yourself back in your pursuit of your financial objectives — so do whatever you can to help preserve

those investments. Apart from setting up a gift fund, you'll also want to make sure you have a reasonable amount of "cash" and cash equivalents in your investment portfolio.

- Protect yourself from identity theft. Victims of identity theft can testify that it's an enormous — and possibly expensive — hassle. Unfortunately, identity theft seems to go up during the holiday season, so take steps to protect yourself. When you go out shopping, just take one debit or credit card with you — and look around whenever you use it. Identity thieves have been known to copy down credit card numbers and even photograph credit cards with cell phones. Also, if you're shopping online, make sure you're on a secure web site. One way to check for a secure site is to look for "https" in the Web address, along with the icon of the locked padlock on your browser's status bar.

- Shop early for bargains. As you probably know, the best bargains come during stores' "after-holiday" sales. By taking advantage of these sales, you can stock up on gifts for the next holiday season.

By following these suggestions, you may be able to remove a lot of the financial stress that often accompanies the holidays — and that, by itself, can help you enjoy the season even more.

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12x32, 16x40, 20x40, and 24x40 heated. Port Air Park. Call (231)547-6445

STORAGE UNITS

Charlevoix Mini Storage, (231)547-5838. Closed Thursdays.

1810 LIVESTOCK & FEEDS

CATTLE SCOTTISH Highland, 1 mature registered bull, 15 head of steers, heifers and bull calves, all colors, sizes and ages. TB tested. (231)547-1344 or (231)675-3001.

1910 AUTOS FOR SALE

Visit Us at NorthernMichiganAutos.com click on Pat McKeown Ford Lincoln Mercury to view our full inventory

1930 PICKUPS/VANS & SUVS

1978 CHEVY Blazer full-time 4-wheel drive with convertible top. Looks rough but runs down the road. Make a good private plow truck. \$750 or best. (231)758-4823, East Jordan.

2005 DAKOTA SLT, 4x4 pickup,

4 door, loaded, tonneau and bed liner, towing package, like new. 46,000 miles, books over \$18,000 asking \$15,500. (231)238-8589

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gan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at 800/946-7432.

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If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1309. Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder. 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200. Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525. File # 296267F01.

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Shareen Speigl and Verne Merritt, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 6190 US Highway 31 N, Charlevoix, MI 49720-9416.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205e is Trot & Trot, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1309.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 32 North, Range 7 West; thence Easterly along the North line of said Section and along the centerline of Rogers Road, 295.17 feet; thence Southerly, parallel with the East 1/8 line of said Section 295.17 feet; thence Westerly, parallel with said Section line, 295.17 feet to said 1/8 line; thence Northerly along said 1/8 line, 295.17 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 32 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 2, 2009. For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1311. Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer. 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200. Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525. File #296267F01.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Betty E. Lorange, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty And 62/100 Dollars (\$82,160.02), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 199, 200, 201 and 202, that of

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Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated January 25, 2005, and recorded on Page 66, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for GSAA Home Equity Trust 2005-7 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Three And 03/100 Dollars (\$127,693.03), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 85 and 88 of Calberts Addition to the Village of South Boyne, now city of Boyne City, and also the East 8 1/2 feet of vacated alley abutting said Lots, according to the plat thereof recorded in Charlevoix County Records.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gene A. Brooks, a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 2004, and recorded on November 3, 2004 in Liber 648 on Page 112, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty And 62/100 Dollars (\$82,160.02), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

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Susan Shores No. 2, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 117 and 118, Charlevoix County Records.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on December 18, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 8 and 9, Block H, Miller's Addition to the Village of Spring Harbor,

Charlevoix County, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Three And 51/100 Dollars (\$132,353.51), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

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Substance abuse recovery classes

The Charlevoix Alano Club will be hosting a monthly "Substance Abuse and Recovery Community Education Series" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Alano Club, 106 Mason St. Club director Scott Kelly, who has more than 23 years of professional experience as a substance abuse professional, will facilitate the meetings.

Nov. 20's program is "Knowing the Signs: Recognizing and Identifying Drugs"; Dec. 18's program is "Not What the Doctor Ordered" about the growing problem of prescription drug abuse.

There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome to help fund the club's numerous programs.

The event is open to the general public.

Call 547-1144 for more information.

DEC. 2 THROUGH CHRISTMAS EVE

On Wednesday, December 2nd, the Charlevoix Lions plan to begin selling Christmas trees in the same familiar area in East Park. The club's annual winter-time charity fundraiser, now in its quarter-century plus year, is in support of its some thirty local and world-wide charities. The club will be offering blue spruce, black hills spruce and Fraser fir trees. Hours are: from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays; from noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

DEC. 5

Santa Paws

From 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Santa will be at Picture This in Oleson's Plaza. Bring your dog to get a picture with old St. Nick.

Cost is \$5, which will benefit the Charlevoix County Humane Society. Donations will also be accepted.

Last year organizers raised more than \$600. This year they hope to raise \$1,000. Douglas The Famous Dog will be signing autographs.

ELKS B-BALL

The Charlevoix Elks Club will host nine schools from the Lake Charlevoix Basin in their 1st Annual Hoop Shoot contest at the Charlevoix Middle School Gymnasium on Saturday, Dec. 5 beginning at 1 p.m. boys and girls ages 8-14 and 10 to 11 and 12 to 13 will compete in six divisions.

Open to the public

1ST CONGREGATIONAL COOKIE WALK

From 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. the church will host its annual cookie walk on Dec. 5. Hundreds of homemade holiday cookies will be sold by the pound. Call 547-5137 or 675-5137 for more information.

OES

Gift Wrapping For Area Students

Charlevoix Chapter No. 72 Order of the Eastern Star invites you to have your Christmas gifts wrapped by our members on December 5th during the Charlevoix Christmas Open.

House. The proceeds from gift-wrapping your presents will go to our Student Special Needs Fund. Our local Chapter of Eastern Star has initiated a Student Special Needs Fund for students that have limited financial means. We also put together hygiene packets that are distributed to students.

Bring your gifts to us for wrapping and enjoy coffee and donuts while you wait. We will be located in the Masonic Building on Mason Street on the lower level (behind Subway).

Time: All Day. A minimum donation of \$2.00 per package is suggested. Your donation at the Christmas Gift Wrapping Fundraiser will help our students throughout the school year, not just at Christmas.

ANGEL FOOD

The next order day for Angel Food at Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene is 10 a.m. to noon on Dec. 5.

We will also take orders at Pine River Apartments upon request. That order will be delivered on Dec. 19, at the same location. It is now also available from our host site by ordering on line at angelfood.com through our host site by using a debit or credit card. We accept cash, money orders made out to Angel Food, and EBT cards on site. Seniors without transportation and those with disabilities who need help getting their order can make arrangements by calling the Director at 547-9346.

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Call 547-9441 to reserve your booth.

EVENING GARDEN CLUB

Charlevoix Evening Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 8 at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant. Call

547-5199 or 547-3091 for more information.

DEC. 9

Cooking classes

Cooking Classes at the Alcove Cafe from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9.

Call 547-7490 for information and to register.

Roasted Tomato-Basil Soup and Scones - We'll make the soup, and a variety of scones, dine, and take some home, along with the recipes.

DEC. 11 DEADLINE

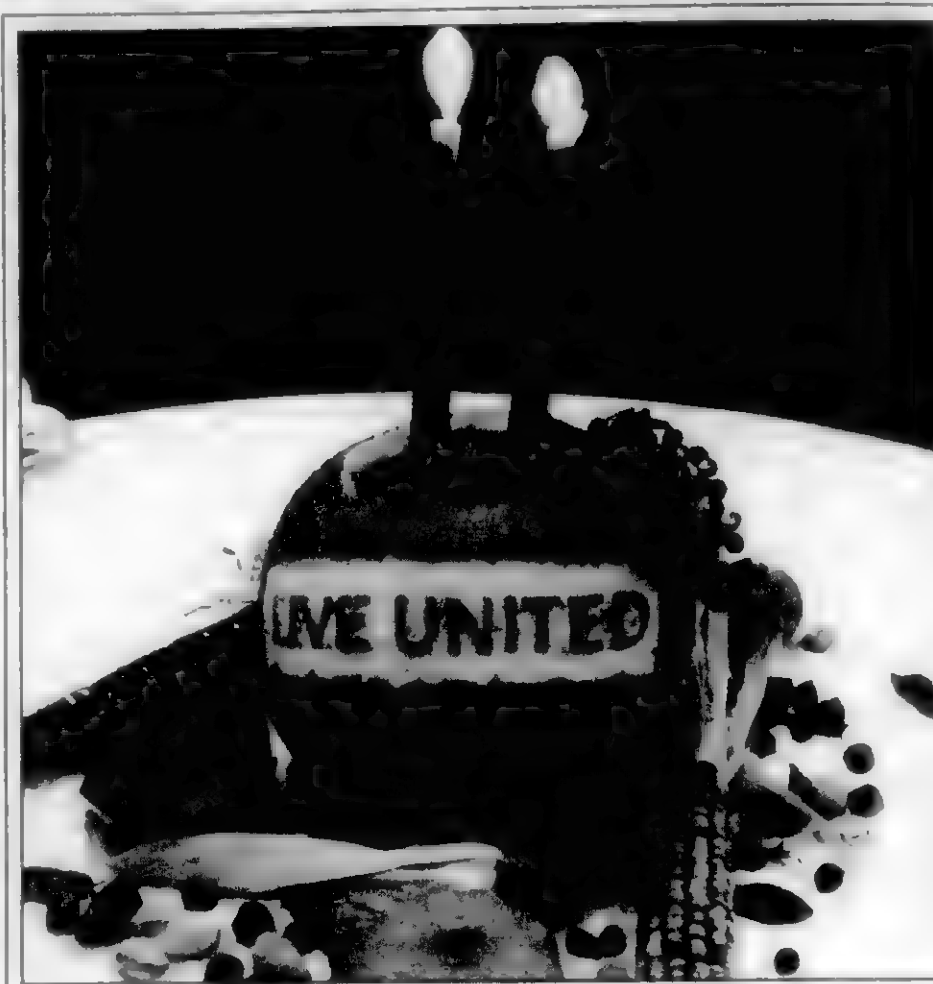
Kiwanis essay contest
Second Annual Charlevoix Kiwanis Club Vandenberg Essay Contest

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club is sponsoring an essay contest open to all Charlevoix area students currently in the fifth-grade. Students are to explain, in one to two pages, which non-profit group they think an award of \$50 should be given and why they have selected that particular charity.

There will be multiple student essay contest winners and an award ceremony will be held in which winners and their parents will be invited.

Each student who wrote a

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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

winning essay will be presented with a \$50 check and the students in turn will present their check to their favorite charity.

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club hopes to encourage fifth grade students to think about all of the good things that the various charities do to help our community.

The essay contest is named after former Charlevoix Kiwanis Club member Merle Vandenberg. Merle served Kiwanis as president of the local club and as a Lt. Governor.

He was a teacher and dedicated his life to helping Charlevoix area students. Essay contest application forms will be available at Charlevoix Middle School, St. Mary's School, and Northwest Academy. Home school students may pick up and application at Round Lake Book Store in Charlevoix.

Essay must be submitted to their fifth-grade teacher by Dec. 11, or to Gayle Gennett. Call Gennett at 547-5598 for more information.

DEC. 11

Singles for Christ

This event is for 40 and older, from 6 p.m. at the Argonne Supper Club, 11929 Boyne City Road in Charlevoix.

Bring a \$10 gift to exchange at the restaurant.

After the dinner, participants are all invited to Yvonne Engler's home at 4105 Sequanota Road in Charlevoix.

Bring two dozen Christmas Cookies for the cookie exchange and watch the movie "The Ultimate Gift."

Reservations are required. Call Frieda Lewitt at (231) 347-5747 or e-mail frieda@compnor.com.

DEC. 12

Christmas Choir

"City of Light" is the 2009 annual Christmas Cantata, created and arranged by Tom Fette, which will be presented by a Community Christmas Choir, at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13 at the Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix located at the corner of US-31 and Meech Street in Charlevoix.

We are reminded of the mystery surrounding the revelations of a great light to come from the prophet, Isaiah, and the oppression felt in Bethlehem from the Innkeeper Mary will share what was on her heart in that lowly stable, and a grown up Shepherd remembers all he experienced on that special night. We are also reminded the light of the

world was kindled for us in a rough, straw filled manger where God became flesh and dwelt among us more than 2000 years ago, and that same great light continues yet today.

There is no admissions charge, but an opportunity for giving to the Community is available via donations to the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

DEC. 12 AND 13

Stepping Out Christmas Cantata

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For further information call C.J. Mansen at 547-6862 or 547-9941.

MARCH 13, 2010

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FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to sched-

ule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmar.

Medusa retirees

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.

Artifact comes to Charlevoix

BOOK

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ing passage which Father Charlevoix wrote on July 31, 1721: "I departed from Michillimackinac the Day before Yesterday at Noon, and I am detained here in a little island that has no Name..." The only coastal island between the Straits and Grand Traverse Bay is Fisherman's Island a few miles south of Charlevoix. He described having followed the coast by canoe and "... entering the Bay (Little Traverse), and was surprised at it. It is certain that this Bay, having no other Outlet, discharges itself into Lake Michigan... I went at first five Leagues to the West, to get into Lake

Michigan, I then turned to the South, and this is the only Route we have to take for a hundred Leagues to the River St. Joseph... Yesterday I went three leagues further, and a high wind obliged me to stop at this island." He would have "turned to the south" at North Point/Mt. McSaub.

Father Charlevoix wrote his next letter on Aug. 16 "The first of August, after having sailed across a Bay that is thirty Leagues deep (Grand Traverse), I left on the Right the Isles of Castor (Beaver Islands), which appeared to be very well wooded; and some Leagues further, on the Left, I perceived on an Eminence of Sand a Kind of Bush, which,

when we are over against it has the shape of an Animal lying down. The French call it L'ours qui dort (the sleeping Bear), and the (Native Americans) the Bear lying down."

Father Charlevoix does not mention making landfall in what would become Pine River/Charlevoix before traveling "three leagues further" to the island, but he does later describe the "condition," as he called it, of rivers leading from the eastern Lake Michigan shore into inland lakes, a phenomenon he encountered repeatedly down the coast. The Lake Michigan-Round Lake-Lake Charlevoix chain may have been the first one he saw.

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That's not Santa

Flurry Fest organizer and Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority Executive Director Keith Carey takes a dancer out for a walk during the 3rd Annual Charlevoix Flurry Fest on Saturday Dec. 5 in East Park. For more photos of Flurry Fest, see page 10.

EMS/fire deal offered

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Following months of calculations and deliberation over fees the City of Charlevoix charges local townships for fire and emergency medical services (EMS) services, officials have a solid proposal.

The city is now offering fire, ambulance, emergency first responders and paramedic services as a packaged deal to all the townships it currently serves in order to save everyone money.

"The basic idea is economies of scale: our ultimate goal here is to look at the feasibility of consolidating services of a fire district or larger regional fire author-

ity," said Charlevoix City Manager Rob Strachel. "We think that there could be substantial cost savings for all taxpayers if the city and townships would work together."

The city currently offers fire and EMS services to itself, the townships of Marion, Norwood and Eveline, and EMS services alone to Charlevoix Township which has its own fire department and Hayes which gets its fire services from Charlevoix Township.

The city pays \$394,127 currently for its own fire and EMS, with nearly \$100,000 of that subsidizing some local townships' services.

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Holly Daze big winner for all

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

After the many months of planning, procuring auction items and selling tickets, the annual Holly Daze event is over.

And, despite what some are calling the worst economy in decades, the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation's biggest fundraiser of the year managed

to net them nearly \$82,000. "We were absolutely delighted with the event," said foundation executive director Lyn Jenks. "We have 267 people there, which is about 14 more than last year, and they all seemed to have a wonderful time."

The funds raised from the event, held Friday Dec. 4, at Caville Farms of

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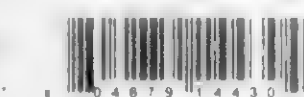
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Some presents are worth the wait



A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

We are into counting down mode again for grand-baby number six. Realizing that it has snowed a few inches of the white stuff I am getting worried about the arrival of our next little addition. Mind you, our daughter lives only thirty minutes from the hospital, but considering her labor rarely lasts the length of one Oprah episode, I am a bit concerned. Seems we have this thing for having winter babies in our household and their coming quickly. I reasoned it must be the longing for spring that encourages this behavior and our high energy level which makes delivery quick. Waiting for a baby to arrive is the likes of watching a kettle boil, but just like every good soufflé, they're ready when they're picture perfect. I still believe in the belly button check. If it's out, the baby is ready just like the timer on a turkey. With the economy still adrift and fewer people having health insurance I wonder if there will be an upswing in the number of midwife deliveries. Thirty years ago new moms spent four days in the hospital recouping; now it's down to two because of cost rather than the needs of the new mom. With DVDs and CDs on every topic will home health care be the next step? "Here is how you stitch a flesh wound" I hear the soft spoken doctor explain on his latest CD which also comes with a set of surgical tools. Years ago it was the norm to be born at home with the assistance of a midwife, neighbor or very close friend. Labor would take hours to days, and in my own father's case, he claims that since he was stuck so to speak, he has no memory for personal names and dates. Something he left mom in charge of. Actually I know very few men who can remember any date unless it was a victorious sporting event; so dad I am not buying your theory. I am also reminded of babies and mothers lost without proper care and the numbers we have saved with the advantages of technology. Though nature should take its course it's always nice to have an expert nearby. Speaking of experts, our son-in-law completed his paramedic program. There is nothing that beats the hands on approach to reviewing how to perform the task at hand so I hope he is up to delivering a baby if need be. I've always been the type of person who likes to complete many projects at once. My husband was quick to point out a news item that occurred this past Thanksgiving Day; maybe you saw it as well. "Woman delivers grandchild and bastes turkey- both events met with success." "Wow," I exclaim. "Good job multi-tasking." And then realize that could have been me. We are now into the full moon phase. A time when most of us are affected is some form. My counseling caseload increases during this time period. Police calls are usually up and in the morning while driving to work you can view more road kill. Okay not a pleasant thought, but the phases of the moon do affect tides and also the arrival of newborns. I have visions not of sugar plums but a delivery in the living room between presents and a crèche. Lights twinkling from the Christmas tree, spiced egg-nog for the grandparents and a baby the size of a large Christ-mas stocking wrapped up with a bow. Yep this new present could get interesting and we are patiently awaiting its arrival, okay some are more patient than others. E-mail Gayle Gennett at news@charlevoixcourier.com

History vs. progress, the great debate continues

EDITORIAL

Turnabout is fair play. Cliché, right? Well, it may be, but it's also apropos to the 108 Park Ave. situation. The problem is, we can see both sides of the issue. The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority purchased the 139-year-old house with adjoining parking area with an expressed interest of developing the property for the good of the city's downtown business district. Potential uses included

beautification of the area, economic development and/or infrastructure improvements like additional parking. Now, the DDA's executive director Keith Carey will be the first to tell you he doesn't think Charlevoix has a parking problem. However, he is concerned with the current eyesore status of what may or may not be a historical structure. If the DDA decides to go forward with their tentative plan to demolish the building and create a public park and parking lot in its stead, it will be done primarily with

the city's parking fund dollars. If the DDA acts quickly, they claim they will realize significant savings by pairing their project with the Park Avenue street and sewer repairs slated for spring 2010. Of course, they cannot say just how much saving of the green there will be. Some argue the building should be saved for a year to allow time for a conservation-minded entity to save it. After all, the house was built for a widow by a wealthy shipper who ended up marrying the woman

As one of the oldest houses in Charlevoix, we can see how it could make an attractive maritime museum as some have suggested—providing some serious structural and aesthetic improvements were made. This move by the DDA may seem to be done in haste, but the DDA has been holding the property for nearly 15 years, during which the Charlevoix Land Conservancy was allowed to use the building for a dollar a year. The conservancy's true cost was a promise of major renovation and upkeep of the

facility. Aside from installing a new roof, the conservancy defaulted on their end of the agreement. Now the DDA, a group conceived to improve the city's economy, is holding a dilapidated house with questionable historic significance. Even if the DDA had the estimated \$140,000 to \$160,000 to bring the building up to code, would that be the best use of taxpayer dollars? The property already cost the DDA nearly \$200,000 to purchase. Now officials and pres-

ervationists are faced with the question of what is in the best interest of taxpayers, visitors and the City of Charlevoix itself. The DDA has advised that it will hire a historical architect to inspect the house. If this official finds the property to have historical significance, then perhaps putting the brakes on the proposed project is in order. Either way we hope both sides will move forward with caution and careful consideration. Charlevoix needs an empty eyesore like it needs a demolished monument.

Every great American novel begins with a good start

MORE OR LESS

People often ask me (well, a couple of people have, and I'm sure more would if I cornered them at a party), "How can I break into the glamorous world of speculative writing?" Ah, that is a very good question. Most aspiring writers set their sights on the novel. I've never written a novel, but I'm sure I could. I've read plenty of them, and it doesn't take

that long. The novel is the current literary equivalent of Brangelina, making it the most marketable commodity in publishing today. Good long reads are what the lit set craves. Big, steaming slabs of protein forked out with gusto. The

delicate hors d'oeuvres or glittering aperitifs found in short story collections have fallen on hard times. And if we are to follow the money (and why else would we attempt such folly?), a novel is really the only option. The germ of a future classic could be lying dormant in any of us. Remember that first grandiloquent rush of young love when you shared with your darling the minutia of your childhood experiences, opinions, dreams and fears? There's probably enough material there for a trilogy. Suing up for the game

is as vital to the process as the plot line. The writer must possess three attributes: Dizzying delusion, the ability to function without much exercise and someone to bring in sand-

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Drawing the reader with a few witty words

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wiches.

Often, the most challenging aspect for the newbie novelist is to construct a compelling beginning. Within a few carefully

crafted words, the reader must be drawn into the narrative.

Consider the classics: "Call me Ishmael," or "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times," for instance, are widely regarded as humdingers. From what I can garner, a good start is key. Since even the longest journey begins with a single step, I have compiled a selection of powerful openings for a variety of genres in the event that I should ever follow the muse into a lengthy commitment. Borrow freely from the following to jump-start your own endeavours. There're plenty more where these came from.

Whodunit: He could tell by the fly on her lip that she was dead.

Angry Young Anglo-Eu-

ropean: As far as Duncan was concerned, it was all (crap). Romance (Period): "Oh Topsy," Elspeth exclaimed, lifting the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel into her arms and pressing a pink-hued cheek to the little animal's silken fur. "You are ever so lovely with that cunning blue bow tied 'round your neck!" Romance (Modern): "Ouch! Get off a my hair." Chick Lit: Alexis broke a heel from her Manolo Blahniks in an air grate near Central Park. Gothic Horror: The turrets of the old castle pierced the sky in a way that made Charlotte's heart thud.

Modern Horror: The (sweating/swarthy/un-kempt) man looked into the mirror and grinned, exposing a mouthful of shining metal teeth filed into pointy stubs. Sci-fi: Judy leaned forward, reaching for the ejector switch. "Ready?" she said to the guy sitting next to her in a spacesuit. Coming-Of-Age: "I just hate Bobby Jergens!" Tilda threw herself onto her best friend's canopy bed. "He's so stuck-up!" Children's Story: Beatrice Olivia Adams-McPhee ruled the whole house from her pink nursery. Substance Abuse Memoir: I was one of the lucky

ones; I made it. Folksy American Memoir: I was born on the same day that Pa found a four-leaf clover in the hayfield. Crime: "It's impossible," said coroner Lynn Maxwell, nearly dropping her scalpel, "Nobody has one of those." Mystery: At first, everything seemed normal. Epic (Historic): Picture 8,000 people standing on a hill in the desert. Amazing, eh? Epic (Modern): Cornelia Pettigrew stared at the attorney who had just announced that her dad left his whole empire to her ne'er-do-well brother. Political expose: "Ouch.

Get off a my hair." Biography (Historic): Elisabeth Ross always hated the nickname, "Betsy." Biography (Modern): "Oh Tinker-belle, you're my BFF," Paris Hilton exclaimed, dropping the catatonic Chihuahua into her Fendi handbag, snapping the Swarovski crystal clasp and tossing it down beside her in the limo. Hopefully, these examples will inspire an outpouring of literary achievement. Armed with an intriguing hook and a little perseverance, you too may one day be able to say, "I wrote that!"

LETTERS to the editor

CKD LEACHATE IS NOT WATER

Editor:

Friends of the Jordan River Watershed Inc. (FOJ) welcome the new efforts to reassess the cleanup of Cement Kiln Dust (CKD) Leachate contamination at Bay Harbor and Little Traverse Bay (LTB).

We hope the Regional Stakeholders Group (RSG) can correctly identify and facilitate proper local cleanup alternatives. We are heartened that in CMS' recent public outreach, CMS recognizes that trucking 200,000 gallons of leachate per day to distant injection wells is not economical and poses increased risks. CMS' David Menegier states, "Trucking the water, because of its increased public safety and transportation risks, environmental concerns and costs, is not a realistic long term remedy. We absolutely need... to identify a local solution to a local concern."

FOJ especially wants to acknowledge the groundswell of citizens who spoke out and supported our call for better cleanup options and the Courts of Law for issuing and upholding an injunction against an Albia Injection Well. Perhaps, now, serious and comprehensive consideration will be given to these massive problems.

Despite these positive developments FOJ is concerned about CMS' concerted efforts to "spin" the story about the extent of CKD contamination at Bay Harbor and in LTB. Recent newspaper ads, while professionally produced, fall short of a true characterization of the problems, denying the public

real choices and facts needed to properly mitigate this Superfund Site. One example is CMS' improper use of the word, "water". CKD leachate is not water. It is no more water than coffee, milk or household bleach. CKD leachate is strongly caustic and toxic (MDNR Toxicology Reports). CKD leachate is a Public Health Hazard (Northwest Michigan Public Health Agency Advisory). CKD leachate is a highly regulated industrial waste (EPA, MDEQ and U.S. Congress). Its physical and chemical properties bear little resemblance to water. To repeatedly describe CKD leachate as something as benign as water is disingenuous and belies the fact that this toxic pollutant is a serious short and long term environmental contaminant with direct threats to public and ecological health. Furthermore, our calculations indicate that it will take hundreds, and more likely, thousands of years to dispose of the leachate based on current methodology. None of the "alternative choices" proffered by CMS consider this timeline. Neither do they answer the following questions: Disposed of where? For how long? At what cost? Paid by whom? How long is perpetuity? Is this responsible and ethical? Failure to address these and other issues destroys the credibility of this process and makes a proper solution unlikely.

Other important issues are omitted in these ads. What about the estimated 50% of total leachate which bypasses the collection system and enters

LTB unabated every day? Why has an Environmental Assessment never been performed? What are the risks to the municipal water supply for the City of Petoskey? Why has EPA's 2005 Order of Consent "To Remove, Isolate or Contain the CKD" been ignored? What effect does irrigating the golf courses with over 1,000,000 gallons of water per day have? Why isn't deep well disposal of 200,000 gallons of "tainted water" per day considered a diversion from LTB? Class I industrial waste injection wells, 2000 feet deep, are actually shallow by modern standards and not proven safe. How can the RSG be expected to realistically arrive at consensus by the EPAMDEQ imposed deadline of October 2010? What then?

Similar omissions, mistakes and deceptions were made prior to the development of Bay Harbor when CKD was declared benign or "inert". The known threats of the vast piles of CKD were dismissed, down-played and ignored leading to their widespread dispersal instead of removal or containment. This lapse in oversight led directly to the exacerbation of CKD leachate contamination along LTB and compounded the myriad of problems we face today.

As the RSG grapples with these difficult issues and the public is finally invited to participate in the process, accuracy, transparency and candor are requisite for a successful outcome. Smoke & mirrors and pseudo-choices will not suffice to solve these problems. They are too large with ramifications so great as to be taken lightly.

At least now, the public is informed and engaged. Let us put all the issues on the table and in the public arena and solve them together. FOJ will be an honest and diligent partner in these proceedings and expect all others to do the same. Dr. John W. Richter: President of the Friends of the Jordan River Watershed Inc.

CROP WRAAP

The 2009 Charlevoix County CROP Hunger Walk was a huge success! On Saturday Sept. 26, 100 area walkers and volunteers came together to raise more than \$20,066 for Church World Services, which works to combat hunger locally and globally. Our local Charlevoix, Boyne City and East Jordan food pantries will receive approximately \$5,000 to aid local residents in need.

This year's CROP Walk was done in memory of Dorothy Stahl.

Again, thank you to all who worked so hard to make this year's CROP Hunger Walk such a resounding success.

Special appreciation, also, to Ironton Congregational Church for continued use of their church on walk day, Dave Phillips for donating his time and services to cater a beautiful lunch for all the walkers and volunteers, At Your Service for their generous donation and also to the Charlevoix County Sheriff for providing road support along M-66 on the day of the walk.

Marge Teske
East Jordan-Charlevoix CROP Walk

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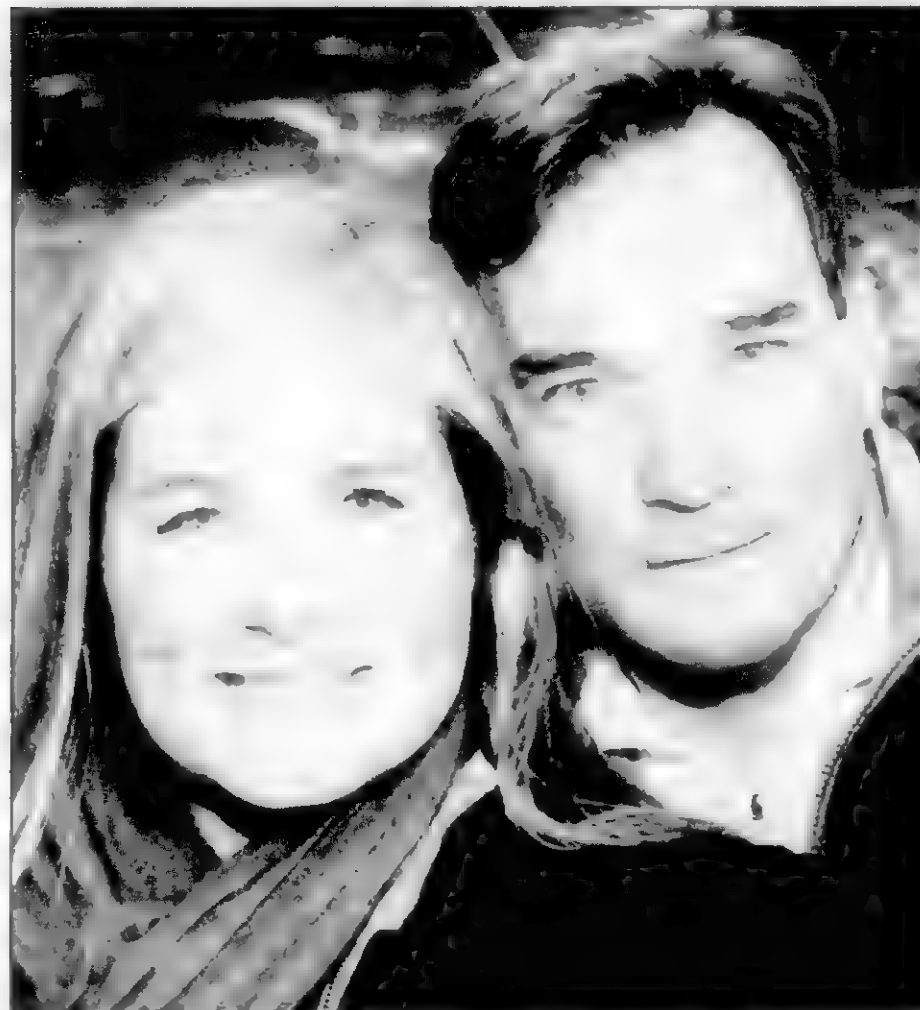
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ENGAGEMENT

Ward - Linne



Kelly Elizabeth Ward and David William Linne happily announce their engagement. Kelly is the daughter of Captain Bernie Ward III and Sandra Ward of Charlevoix, Michigan.

The Wife-to-Be has been immersed in the boating world since birth.

She holds a US Coast Guard Master's License and is crawling towards a business degree from Ferris State University in her spare time.

Kelly is employed at Ward Brother's Boats, her family's Round Lake business, and as

a private boat captain. It was on her dock that she first met and fell head-over-heels for David who also holds a Master's License and works as a fulltime captain of a private yacht.

David was born to the late Robert and Ernie Linne. He was raised in New England by a sailing and skiing family.

David attended Springfield College, Massachusetts then moved to Florida to pursue a maritime education.

After a chance encounter with Kelly at her family's Michigan marina, the Hus-

band-to-Be enthusiastically exchanged the warm embrace of the Florida sun for the tender glow of Kelly's dimpled smile.

The couple recently purchased a home in Charlevoix, Michigan where they live happily with their two Golden Retriever puppies.

A February wedding is planned on a tiny Bahamian island in hopes that the wedding photos may be blessed with tan faces and sandy toes.

Trailing the informative up-

English teacher Mrs. Kristin Sidlauskas

From sports recaps and dates given, school activities reminded, birthdays celebrated, the word of the day, and lunch, Tabaczka and Sidlauskas get all the school's news out in a fun, entertaining way in a matter of minutes every day.

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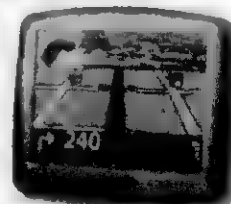
This work's a breeze

Members of the Breezeway Task Force met Tuesday, Nov. 24, in the Ellsworth Farmer's Exchange Conference Room for an afternoon 2010 Strategic Planning Session. Attendees reviewed the grant proposal, 2009 accomplishments and compiled a list of proposed 2010 goals. Pictured are (seated, from left) Jan Kellogg, economic development specialist for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance; Laurie Hodgson, co-editor of the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Directory/North Bays Design Group; Mary H. Faculik, Executive Director East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce; Hugh Campbell, Village of Ellsworth President; and (standing, from left) Thomas Mann, Banks Township Supervisor; Donna Heeres, Banks Township Clerk.



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Charlevoix High School Rockin' Rayders of the Week, Nov. 30 through Dec. 4 are pictured. The following students were recognized this week for their awesome effort in academics, for exhibiting great kindness towards others, and overall Rayder pride. Pictured (front, from left) Thanh (Annie) Huynh, Karissa Keshn, Jennifer Wager, Justin Williams, (back, from left) Katie Young, Taylor Storm, Jenna Kirby, Trisha Reibel. Pictured in the third row is Aaron Duckworth.

Program highlights special students

ROCKIN'
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dates of the school, the new tradition, Rockin' Rayders of the day are honored.

The Rockin' Rayders of the day are any students that have been noticed by any of the teachers in the school. Picking two kids each day, teachers choose students that work hard, participate, and have the great, shining, positive attitude that is encouraged through out the school. These are students who have improved or have done something really great recently.

After the Rayder of the day is selected, teachers write a certificate mentioning why they have been selected, and it's then posted in the cafeteria for the day. Later it is put in the pot for the "Rayder of the Week" drawing, which occurs on Fridays.

The "Rayder of the Week" gets a gift certificate or special treat.

Students have been recognized more and more ways this year for academic achievement or overall positive behaviors.

"As a staff, we have been very focused this fall on trying to foster a culture that recognizes all students for their academic success or improvement, as well as qualities and behaviors that are positive and helpful for all. We

are really trying to incorporate incentives and rewards for all students, so they feel valued at our school and care about performing at their highest level."

"It's nice to get noticed, especially for things other than the cliché things the same kids got

noticed for over and over last year," Senior Rockin' Rayder, Cory Russell said.

Rockin' Rayder is just one more way the staff at Charlevoix High School is showing the students how much they are appreciated.

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Hunting, a Family tradition

The Farmer family men were able to bag three nice bucks this deer season. Here brothers Justin (far left) shows off his eight-point buck while Jorden holds up his antlers from a 14-pointer he shot. Dad Dwayne Farmer managed to bag a great big 10-point deer. All of the animals were taken south of Charlevoix during both the bow and rifle seasons.

What's happening at the Charlevoix Library...

JATL: Jazz @ the Library
Holiday Concert

Wednesday, December 9, 6:30 pm
Join the JATL trio with special guests Claudia Schmidt and Chris Bickley singing some of your favorite holiday songs.

Le Cercle Français

Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:15 pm
Le cercle français de conversation (French Conversation Circle) is an informal meeting of people interested in improving their French language proficiency, from beginners to more advanced. We help each other with pronunciation, vocabulary, and

grammar and often use free French language learning material available on the internet.

Writers Group

Wednesday, December 9, 7:00 pm
All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura

Thursdays at 10:30 am
Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with friends and family.

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OBITUARIES

Marie Slone: April 10, 1921 - Dec. 4, 2009

Marjorie Marie Slone, 88, of Charlevoix, passed away Friday, Dec. 4, at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, at the United Methodist Church in Charlevoix, where friends may meet the family from noon until the time of the service.

The Reverend Todd Thompson will officiate. Burial will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Marie was born April 10, 1921, in Clio to Zachariah

and Maude (Hillier) Whaley.

She graduated from Clio High School in 1940, and earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Central Michigan University. She then earned a Master's Degree in Education from the University of Michigan, and earned a Specialist in Elementary Education. She began her teaching career in Chelsea, and taught in Flint and Birmingham.

She taught Elementary Education at Petoskey Elementary School for fourteen years, retiring in 1985.

Marie was a member of the United Methodist

Church in Charlevoix, and was active in the church choir and Woman's Circle.

She was a Charlevoix Area Hospital volunteer, and a member of the Charlevoix Garden Club. She loved to travel, and was loyal to her immediate and extended family. She enjoyed gardening, and was a life-long Republican.

On Oct. 5, 1952, she married Raymond E. Slone, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 10, 2008.

Marie is survived by her children, Roderick (Leisa) Slone of Vicksburg, Rae-Anne Slone of Traverse City, and Eric (Susan) Slone of Fenton; grandchild-

ren, Ryan (Tara) Slone, Sarah Durand, Rachel Slone, Chelsea Haughn, and Tyler Slone; great-grandson, Peyton Andrew Slone; sisters-in-law, Catherine Whaley of Clio, and Martha Slone of Grosse Pointe Park; many nieces and nephews. Marie was also preceded in death by sisters, Ruth Jennings and Frances Edson, and brothers, Daniel Whaley and Zach Whaley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Methodist Church in Charlevoix, the Charlevoix Garden Club or to the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation.

Stella F. Pearl: Dec. 13, 1930 - Dec. 2, 2009

Stella F. "Boosha" Pearl, 78, of Charlevoix, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2009, at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing Home in Charlevoix.

Funeral was 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 5, at the United Methodist Church in Charlevoix.

The Reverend Todd Thompson will officiate and burial will be in Brookside Cem-

etery in Charlevoix.

Stella was born Dec. 13, 1930, in Akron, Mich., to George and Annie (Wink) Pacewicz.

She married Robert E. Holtzman in 1947, and he preceded her in death on April 4, 1963.

She was later married to Robert O. Pearl in 1970, and he preceded her in death on

April 21, 1993.

Stella is survived by her son Robert E. Holtzman, II, of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Todd Holtzman, Tobie (Russell) Curtis all of Charlevoix, Nikki (Paschke) Holtzman, Christopher Cody, and Michael Robert Holtzman all of Gaylord; great-grandchildren, Lily Elizabeth and Chloe Belle Curtis of Charlevoix;

step-daughters, Susan Bowman of Petoskey, Roberta Lewis of Arizona. Stella's son Bernie preceded her in death on Sept. 27, 2002.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Methodist Church in Charlevoix.

13 COA director candidates apply

STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

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Charlevoix County officials will have 13 applicants from which to choose as they work to fill the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging executive director's position in the coming weeks.

In August, the commission director of more than 10 years, Sue Bergman, stepped down because she was moving to Ketchikan, Alaska, to take a job as a public health nurse and to live closer to family in that area.

Bergman's departure came at roughly the same time the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners was considering hiring downstate consultant David Emmel of Abbott & Emmel Consulting to help the commission on aging work through some organizational and bylaw restructuring.

Because of the timing

of Bergman's resignation, the county board of commissioners hired Emmel — at a cost of \$10,000 per month — not only to perform the consulting functions, but also to serve as the agency's interim director until a permanent replacement for the position can be found.

At the commission's Nov. 25 meeting, Emmel, who helped develop an updated job description for the director's position, said he had received 13 applications for the position before the submission deadline.

He said two or three of the applications are from Charlevoix or Emmet counties. The commissioner asked Emmel to pore over the applications and narrow the field down to three or four top candidates with whom the commissioners could set up full interviews.

No timeline for when the interviews might begin was discussed at the meeting and a call to Emmel

seeking that information was not returned before press time today, Thursday.

At its Wednesday, Dec. 9, meeting the county board of commissioners is also planning to conduct a public hearing on some proposed changes to the commission on aging's by-laws.

The commission on aging oversees a host of services for senior citizens in

the county, including senior centers in Charlevoix, East Jordan, Boyne City and Beaver Island.

The agency is overseen by its own appointed board which serves in an advisory capacity to the county board of commissioners.

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20 years of sex, drugs and rock-n-roll

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
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Chances are, if it's a rock band that toured sometime in the last 20 years, Duane Roy has seen them in concert.

In 2009 alone, he's traveled to see some big names such as Metallica, REO Speedwagon and Bryan Adams.

But for Roy, who lives in Ontario, some of his best concert memories over the years took place at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

"The first concert I attended at the Castle was Whitesnake, Anthrax and Autograph in July 1987," recalled Roy. "The atmosphere of Castle concerts was the biggest thing and is very hard to put into words."

For the past several years, Roy has been working on documenting Castle concerts, along with stories from fans and band members. Those stories are available in his new book, "Castle Stories, A Rock and Roll Scrapbook."

"The biggest bands in the world played the Castle and it was only a few hours from our doorsteps. We were lucky to have such a great venue," said Roy.

From 1969 to the mid-1990s, the Castle hosted a number of concerts. Big names such as Ozzy Osbourne, Aerosmith and Bon

"Anyone who likes sex, drugs and rock-and-roll mixed in with some humor will love this book."

DUANE ROY,
AUTHOR OF "CASTLE STORIES"

Jovi all rocked the 6,500-square-foot stage.

"This book is for anyone who attended a Castle show or music fans in general, but there are a lot of children of Castle concert attendees that want to read about his place their parents are always talking about," explained Roy. "And of course, anyone who likes sex, drugs, and rock-and-roll mixed in with some humor will love this book."

Roy asked concert attendees and some band members to submit their Castle concert stories for the book. And Roy admits that he received so many great stories, he couldn't use all of them.

In 2001, Linda Mueller purchased the property. The purchase brought an end to the Castle's concert-era.

"The first thing I did was take the stage out so history wouldn't repeat itself," said Mueller. "I knew the community didn't want to support that type of scene anymore."

Mueller said she has read a few chapters of Roy's book, and while she doesn't necessarily approve of some of the personal stories told in the book, she believes Roy has a great passion for

concerts and called him a

gifted story teller. "He has a good way of putting his stories and memories together," explained Mueller. "His book gives you a real good feel for those times. He did a nice job of documenting that phase of the Castle."

Mueller believes it's the first book ever written about the Castle.

Roy said he had such a good time researching and writing "Castle Stories, A Rock and Roll Scrapbook," he's looking to do more Castle related projects in the future.

"I would also like to write the definitive history of the Castle in a large hardcover format, and I really think that there is enough interest out there for a full length documentary about the Castle. But those are pretty big ideas that would require some serious time and dedication," said Roy.

Those interested in purchasing "Castle Stories, A Rock and Roll Scrapbook," can do so at Roy's Web site, www.duaneroy.com.

Roy said the book will eventually be available in Charlevoix.

Roy is also hoping to host a book signing party in Charlevoix after the holidays.



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Canadian Duane Roy recently completed his book "Castle Stories, A Rock and Roll Scrapbook" which highlights his 20 years of attending events at Castle Farms in Charlevoix.

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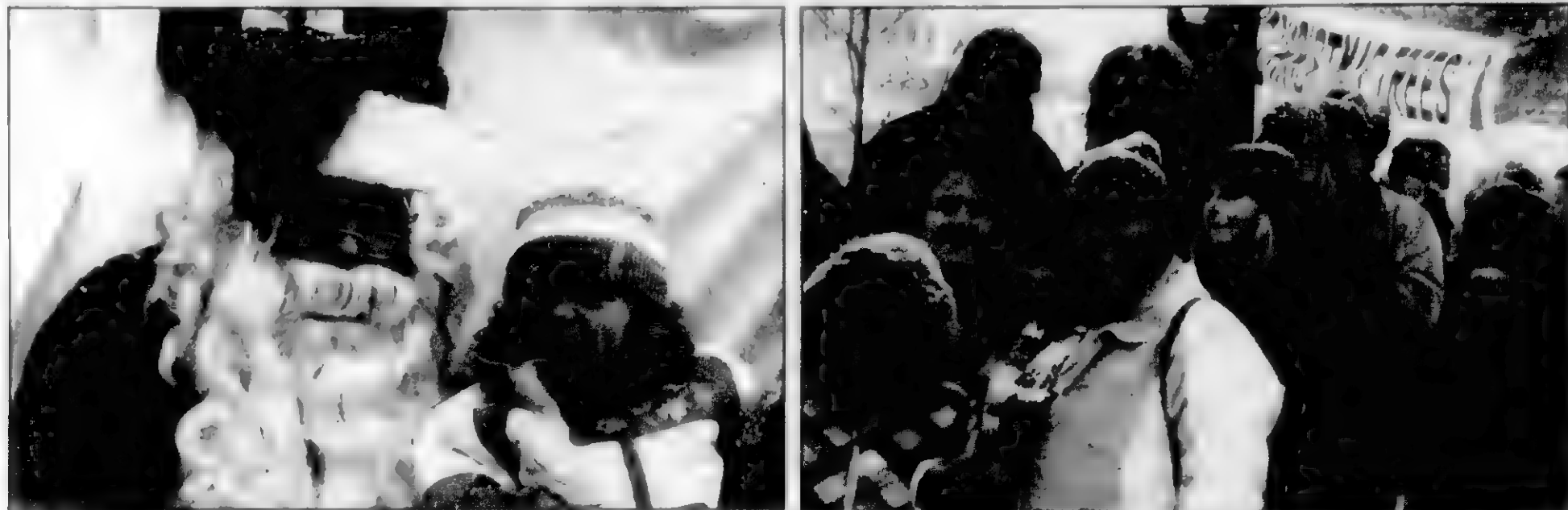
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Brecklyn Santos (above) pauses from telling Santa what she wants for Christmas long enough to pose for an intruding camera man. The 2-year-old was among dozens of others who came to the corner of East Park to see the big man and put in a good word. Six-year-old Evan Beane of Charlevoix (bottom page) gets a little pre-Christmas loot from Santa Claus on Dec. 5 in downtown Charlevoix. Santa posed with children for pictures, heard their requests and then handed out boxes of goodies to the kids. The people pictured (upper right) seem to be in good spirits despite the long line to see Santa Claus on Saturday Dec. 5. There was plenty of snow to greet old St. Nick, who was brought in via the City of Charlevoix Fire Department so his reindeer could rest up for the big night. Phil Milazzo (directly below, left) and Darrell Futo of the Charlevoix Snowmobile Club roasted chestnuts for those who attended Flurry Fest last Saturday.



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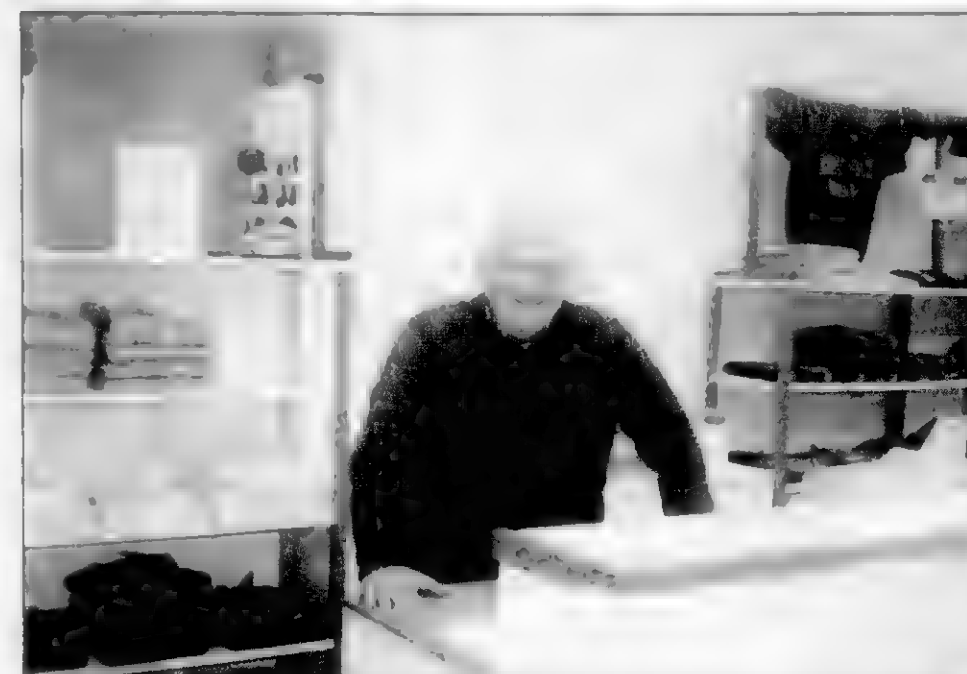
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Attendance up for hospital fundraiser

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Charlevoix, will be used to help purchase equipment for the hospital, fund outreach programs such as the Wellness Wednesdays which offer blood pressure, cholesterol and other health screenings for a minimal fee, and more.

"The money raised for our community education programs does not come from anywhere else," said foundation community health education director Kathy Jacobsen.

"The highlight of the event was seeing everybody who came out to support the hospital."

Jenks said the event could

not happen without numerous volunteers who worked to get great auction items and sell more tickets than last year.

"The most important thing about this event is the work we can do to mitigate risks and keep people healthy and happy and out of the hospital," she said.



Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation health education director Kathy Jacobsen (top, left) greets people as they enter the Castle during the Friday Dec. 4 Holly Daze event. Karen Walker (top, right) take pictures at the photo booth during Holly Daze. Some silent auction items include the painting (upper left) pictured. Charlevoix State Bank president Mike Hinkle (below) chats with fellow guests during the event which raised more than \$80,000 for outreach programs and medical equipment for the hospital. The event drew a record 267 people this year.

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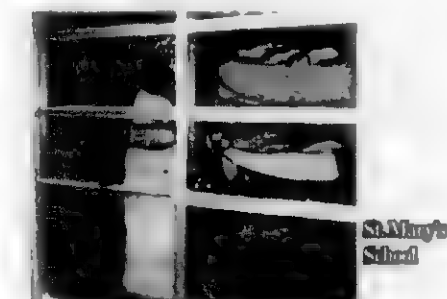
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2009 Holiday Window Decorating Contest Winners

The results are in! With lights, garland, snowflakes, sleds and more, the 2009 Holiday Window Decorating Contest was a tough competition. Contestants were divided into 2 categories including Retail and General stores. Stores that placed in the Retail division are:

1st Place: The Clothing Company
2nd Place: A Touch of Spring
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The General business category winners include:

1st Place: Eye Health of Charlevoix
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10 Reasons to Shop Local First

16 days - the official Christmas countdown. 16 days to find the perfect gift for mom and dad. 16 days to prepare a delicious meal for family and friends. With a daunting to-do list and a dwindling timeline, it seems impossible to accomplish everything. However, the Charlevoix Chamber has a solution: Shop Local First. Below are 10 Reasons to Shop Local First.

1. Significantly More Money Re-circulates in Charlevoix. When you purchase at locally owned businesses rather than national chains, more money is kept in the community. This is due to the fact that local businesses often purchase from other local businesses, service providers, and farms. Purchasing local grows the business as well as the Charlevoix tax base.

2. Non-Profits Receive Greater Support. Local business owners donate more to local charities than non local owners.

3. Unique Businesses Create Character & Prosperity. The unique character of Charlevoix is what brought us here and keeps us here. Tourism businesses also benefit because Charlevoix doesn't look like every other place.

4. Environmental Impact is Reduced. Local businesses make more local purchases requiring less transportation and usually set up shop in town centers rather than on the fringe. This generally means less to sprawl, congestion, habitat loss and pollution.

5. Most New Jobs Are Provided by Local Businesses. Small local businesses are the largest employers nationally.

6. Customer Service is Better. Local businesses often hire people with more specific product expertise and they invest in their employees for better customer service. Also if they do not have the product on-hand they will often order it for you, saving you time and the inconvenience of having to look elsewhere.

7. Local Business Owners Invest in the Community. Local businesses are owned by people who live in this community, which means they are less likely to leave and are more invested in the community's future.

8. Public Benefits Far Outweigh Public Costs. Local

businesses require comparatively less infrastructure and more efficiently utilize public services relative to chain stores.

9. Competition & Diversity Leads to More Consumer Choices. A marketplace of hundreds of small businesses is the best way to ensure innovation and low prices over the long-term.

10. Investment in Charlevoix is Encouraged. A growing body of economic research shows that in an increasingly homogenized world, entrepreneurs and skilled workers are more likely to invest and settle in communities that preserve their one-of-a-kind businesses and distinctive character.

Charlevoix is known as "Charlevoix the Beautiful," shipping local first enables the community to continue this tradition and maintain its unique, captivating self. So before you take a road trip to Traverse City or Elgin, stroll the sidewalks of Charlevoix and shop local first.

A New Year & New Board of Directors

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As 2009 draws to an end, the terms of three Chamber Board members also come to a close. The Chamber would like to thank exiting Board members including Tom Conlan, Belvedere Golf Club, Chris Turkelson, Hayes, Turkelson & Groat PC, and Alicia Mosher, Prudential Preferred Properties. Your dedication and hard work has set a high standard and is greatly appreciated.

Beginning January 2010, the Chamber welcomes the newest Board members: Harry Griska, Young, Graham, Elmhurst, & Wendling, P.C., Alicia Mosher, Prudential Preferred Properties, and Judith Parr, Glass Gallery. They will be joining Mark Greyerblehl, Ace Hardware, Mike Hinkle, Charlevoix State Bank, Pat McKeown, Pat McKeown Ford Lincoln Mercury, Rick Randall, Randall Chiropractic Clinic, Elizabeth Rich, Villa Moderne Motel & Harbor View Café, and Kim Swiderski, Harbor Industries.

Women's Networking

After Hours

A new group is forming! Join the Women's Networking After Hours on December 16th at Kelsey B's at 4:00pm. There is no charge to attend. For additional information contact Randi at Americhin, 237-0968 or Sheila at Heaven Sent Adoption Services, 237-9880. Your view and opinions are needed!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 11	BIGGEST Little Christmas Party at Castle Farms
Dec. 12	Friske's Christmas Celebration
Dec. 15	Computer Boot Camp at the Library
Dec. 16	Women's Networking After Hours at Kelsey B's
Dec. 16	American Red Cross Blood Drive at Charlevoix Area Hospital
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BOYNE BIKE PATH MEETING SET

BY STEVE ZUCKER
NEWS-REVIEW

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Charlevoix County officials are seeking more input from property owners along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road on a non-motorized path that has been proposed along the road.

To that end the Charlevoix County Parks Committee has scheduled a public input session on the proposed path at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10, at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St., Charlevoix.

While the meeting is open for all to attend, Charlevoix County Commissioner and parks committee chairwoman Shirley Roloff said at last week's county board of commissioners meeting that she organized the meeting specifically to solicit input from as many property owners along the route as possible.

She said the commission has heard from many owners opposed to the separate path, but has also heard that there may be some owners who might be agreeable to the proposal.

Over the past several months, the proposed path has been a contentious issue, coming up for at least some discussion at nearly every county commission meeting. The issue has pitted cyclists, who say safety concerns make a separated path the better choice, against a number of outspoken property owners, who say a separated path (not along the road shoulder) is a violation of their property rights.

Much of the issue centers around the fact that in the 1950s Boyne City-Charlevoix Road was re-aligned to create a straighter route. In the process of the re-alignment, the county obtained road right-of-way easements from adjoining property owners that allowed the county to use the property "for highway purposes only."

A number of property owners have argued that a non-motorized trail is not a high way use and have vowed to put up a legal battle if the county proceeds with any plans for a separate path in the right-of-way adjoining their properties.

Earlier this year, the Charlevoix County Road

Commission, citing the uncertainty of their legal standing on the issue and the lack of funds to mount a prolonged legal battle, said it would not pursue a separated path.

In the spring, the road commission will be putting out a bid package to reconstruct a 2.74-mile section of Boyne City-Charlevoix Road from Nelson Road to Sumner

Road.

On Oct. 28, road commission officials asked the county commission for direction on pursuing a grant that may have paid for about \$228,000 of the estimated \$380,000 cost of adding 5-foot-wide bike lanes along the shoulder of the road. The remaining \$152,000 would have to come from some local source.

At the meeting, road commission manager Pat Harmon explained that the application needed to be submitted to the state within a week for the road commission to reasonably consider doing the widened shoulder work at the same time that the road reconstruction project takes place.

After hearing extensive

comments at the meeting, the county commission gave the road commission no direction on applying for the grant.

Harmon said the road commission will proceed with its bidding on the road reconstruction project without consideration of either configuration of the proposed non-motorized path.



Exploring Options for Protecting Our Bay

OPTION: Send collected water through underground pipes to the Petoskey Water Treatment system for treatment and release into Little Traverse Bay.

Discussions with City of Petoskey officials have been ongoing over the past two years in an effort to develop a plan that would allow water from the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project to be sent to the city's water treatment facility for treatment and release into the bay.

In a number of ways, reaching an agreement with the City of Petoskey to take the water meets many of the goals needed for a long-term solution. It is a scientifically proven method that allows the water to be released in a manner that protects the bay and public health (the Grand Traverse Water Treatment Facility is currently mixing, treating and releasing water to the bay that is trucked from the project to Traverse City). It is a local solution to a local problem. It would basically eliminate truck congestion on local roads and is more reasonable from a cost perspective.

However, despite the extensive study of both city and CMS representatives, a number of technical challenges still need to be addressed before this option can be considered viable. Technical issues that need to be overcome include reaching agreement how much project water the city can accept without compromising its discharge permit. If the plant is not able to accept the entire amount of water this option would result in a partial solution which would still require extensive trucking. Additional challenges, from the CMS perspective, include: the extent of infrastructure improvements to the water treatment plant required; the ability and necessity of installing a dedicated pipeline along an already crowded right of way on U.S. 31 to transport the water collected from East Park and Bay Harbor to the treatment plant; and the ability to install a one million gallon water storage tank above the wastewater treatment facility. The box to the right contains a question mark in the mercury removal category because the mercury contained in the water collected at the environmental project is predominantly dissolved mercury. This type of mercury is much more difficult for treatment plants to remove than the elemental and less soluble mercury typically found in municipal waste water streams. If a dedicated line is able to be installed, it would result in considerable public disruption during the construction period.

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Minimizes Local Disruption	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Economical	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Protects the Bay & Human Health	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayder girls start with win

HARBOR SPRINGS — Christine Morgan and Ashley Dominic each made three of their four fourth-quarter free throw attempts Thursday as Harbor Light Christian held off Alanson, 39-35, to win its season and Northern Lakes Conference girls' basketball opener.

"It was very much a typical first game for us," Harbor Light coach Clark Hewitt said. "Alanson, they've got some good athletes and they play really hard. We knew we were going to be in a battle. Fortunately, we got out to a good start which really helped us right to the end."

"It's nice to start out with a win in the league."

Logan Kleinhenz scored 14 points and grabbed eight rebounds to lead Harbor Light; Morgan finished with 10 points, nine rebounds and six steals; and Dominic added seven points.

Katie Biang had 13 points and four steals, and Sarah Matthew added nine points for Alanson. 0-2 overall, 0-1 league. Matthew and Jade Kiogima had 10 rebounds apiece for the Vikings, who made just seven of their 18 free throw attempts.

The Swordsmen jumped to a 15-5 lead after one quarter and maintained their 10-point advantage, 22-12, at half-time. Alanson started the third quarter with a 10-0 run for a 23-22 lead, but the Swordsmen answered with a 9-2 surge for a 31-24 lead headed into the fourth.

Alanson crept to within two points in the final stanza, but could get no closer. Harbor Light did not hit a field goal in the final eight minutes, but made eight of its 14 free throw attempts down the stretch to hold Alanson at bay.

"Free throws won it tonight for sure," Hewitt said. "Alanson played well. We were very fortunate to come out with the victory."

NON-LEAGUE

Charlevoix 49, Cheboygan 26

CHARLEVOIX — The Rayders jumped to a 17-3 first-quarter lead and extended it to 30-11 at half-time in topping the Chiefs in a non-league game Thursday for their first of the season.

"It's always good to win at home," said Charlevoix coach

Bret Erskine, whose team dropped its season opener to Frankfort, 65-34, on Tuesday. "We started a little better than we did the other night. I thought we played really well in the first half."

"All in all it's a learning experience. We're trying to learn to play with each other. I think they took a nice step tonight."

Taylor Storm and Jenna Way scored nine points each to lead the Rayders, while Katie Mays added eight, and Madison Way finished with seven. Sarah Potter led the Rayders on the boards with 12 rebounds. Lynzie Gotshall had 10, and Mays added eight.

Charlevoix won the Junior Varsity game, 42-38. Sydney Carlson scored 17 points and Kelly Greyerbiel added seven for the Rayders.

Gaylord 74, Boyne City 30
GAYLORD — Brittney Deerfield had a game-high 17 points and six steals as Gaylord rolled past Boyne City Thursday in a non-league game.

Also for Gaylord, 1-1, Bailey Gooding had 16 points, eight rebounds and eight assists. The Blue Devils jumped out to a commanding 25-9 first quarter lead and stretched their advantage to 39-16 at the break. Gaylord then limited the Ramblers to 14 second half points.

For Boyne City, 1-1, Rachel Butler finished with seven points.

FRESHMEN

Basketball: Petoskey wins
Alyssa VanWerden scored 19 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead the Petoskey freshmen girls' basketball team to a 50-32 victory over Cheboygan Thursday in the championship game of the Petoskey-Trophy Case Ninth Grade Girls' Basketball Invitational.

Also for Petoskey, 2-0, Liz Fraser had nine points, while Annie Hansen and Hannah Scholten had eight points apiece.

In the consolation game, Charlevoix defeated Harbor Springs, 50-19.

Anna Way had 12 points and Katie Hybl added 10 for Charlevoix. Katie Barkley had 10 points to lead Harbor Springs.



Rayder girls' varsity basketball team. Pictured (back, from left) are Madison Way, Sarah Potter, Lynzie Gotshall, Katie Mays, (front, from left) Taylor Storm, Taylor Smith, Jenna Way and Hannah Hybl.

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SPORTS reviewing the action

Charlevoix Stingrays set local record

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For the first time in more than a decade that the Charlevoix Stingrays swim team has existed, four swimmers in the same class have qualified for a state meet.

Christina Barutt, 8; 8-year-old Bailey Birdsall; 7-year-old Abby Cunningham and 8 year-old Caroline Jarema will all be competing in the Michigan Team Swim League State Championships in March, 2010 in Midland.

"What's exciting about these girls is we've had other kids qualify, but this is the first time we had four kids in an individual age group qualify," said Stingray coach Betsy Granstra. "They all love swimming a lot and they enjoy being at practice and they've kind of pushed each other through and motivated each other."

She added, "They're learning the competitive aspect of swimming."

The girls are among approximately 70 team members who swim for the Stingrays at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool.

Granstra said the numbers fluctuate throughout the season, but the team continues to grow overall.

"It's open to everyone. We have a couple kids from Boyne

City, Petoskey, home school and public school kids," she said. "We have seen over 70 different kids since the start of the season in September. It's pretty exciting."

Granstra added, "Last year we topped 70 for the first time and that was cumulative. It's not even January and we've already hit that number."

Swimmers ages 5 to 18 may join the team at any time during the season.

"All they need is a swimsuit, towel and a pair of goggles would be a good idea," Granstra said.

She added that the swim team offers great exercise, camaraderie and socialization for the kids while teaching them how to better themselves.

"Swimmers work on skill proficiency and endurance, all in a fun and safe environment," Granstra said.

The 2009-2010 season has just begun, so there is plenty of time for kids to compete.

"We're excited to have success early on and I'm sure there will be more kids to follow in their footsteps," Granstra said.

Another plus, Granstra said, is that team members may practice according to their own schedule, whether they can attend once each week or four days per week.

For more information on the Charlevoix Area Community Pool's Stingray swim team, call 547-0982.



COURTESY PHOTO

Four members of the Charlevoix Area Community Pool Stingrays swimming team have set a new record. For the first time in Stingray swimming history, four swimmers in the same age group have qualified for the Michigan Team Swim League State Swimming Championships in Midland in March of 2010. Pictured are (from left) Christina Barutt, 8; Bailey Birdsall, 8; Abby Cunningham, 7; and Caroline Jarema, 8.

Nine local players named 'All-Northern Lakes Conference' first team

Nine area players were named to the All-Northern Lakes Conference volleyball first-team in the 2009 season.

In addition, eight area players were named to the second team.

First-team
Alanson: Katie Biang, Sarah Matthew

Ellsworth: Jalyn Ingalls, Sarah Kearney, Emily Blaney

Harbor Light: Aimee Burns, Elizabeth Britton, Logan Kleinhenz

Mackinaw City: Anna McFarland, Vanderbilt: Kristina Drayton

Second-team
Alanson: Karlie Beck
Ellsworth: Haley

Drenth, Savanna Kai hoff.

Harbor Light: Mariah Lambert, Christine Mor-

son. Ben Veenstra, Ed Veenstra; Harbor Light,

David Doucette, Aimee Burns, Elizabeth Britton, Katie Lechowicz; Mack-

naw City: Anna McFarland, Adam Alexander, Michael Dery, Kristina Heilman, Kati Phillips; Wolverine: Ajae Whit-

taker, Charlie Ogden, Michelle Johnston

Several area athletes were named to the league's All-Academic team for cross country, volleyball or football.

They are:
Alanson, Karlie Beck-
er, Sara Gokee; Boyne
Falls, Savanna Matels-
ki, Katie Fraser, Travis
Lange; Ellsworth, Emily
Blaney, Lindsey Fisher,
Jalyn Ingalls, Sarah Ke-
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Gulls flying away after four decades

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For Patricia Blanchard, owning a downtown Charlevoix retail shop has been fulfilling in several ways.

But as the economy soured around Michigan and the United States in recent years, the Shop of the Gulls owner noted that the experience has included challenges, too.

These economic challenges are a factor in her recent decision to close the store — which carries clothing, gift items and kitchenware — effective at the end of January 2010.

"We watched our sales drop with job losses," the 55-year-old Blanchard said. "We don't have necessary things that people need, but that people enjoy."

The seasonal nature of local retail trade contrib-

"I think I stepped in at the tail end of what used to be a good opportunity as a business owner."

PATRICIA BLANCHARD,
OWNER, SHOP OF THE GULLS

uted to the challenges, she added.

And as the economy worsened, Blanchard said dealing with some vendors proved difficult.

Some of these went bankrupt, while others were tough to deal with for smaller retailers.

Blanchard is Shop of the Gulls' third owner.

The store had been operating for about 40 years when she acquired it in 2003.

Since that time, her daughter, Nicole Harbison, has been managing the store.

Her stepdaughters, Brooke and Kallie Blanchard, also have helped out there during the summer months.

Patricia Blanchard said she has enjoyed meeting and serving customers.

The challenge of figuring out a successful product mix — such as attending trade shows and figuring out what to buy — has been satisfying for her, too.

The decision to close Shop of the Gulls was something Blanchard said she has struggled with for more than a year.

Hoping for lower costs and a turnaround in the economy, management relocated the store to its current space from another one two blocks to the north, but the sought-after improvements didn't materialize.

Hoping to liquidate her

entire inventory, Blanchard said a sale — in observance of the Shop of the Gulls name's retirement — will continue through January Normal business hours of 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday will remain during that time.

The Shop of the Gulls space is owned by Charlevoix Development Co., which Blanchard said will be seeking a new retail occupant.

Outside of the store, Blanchard already has a full-time human resources/administrative job.

And, she said she'll be concentrating on that when Shop of the Gulls closes. She doesn't anticipate future involvement with retail.

"I think I stepped in at the tail end of what used to be a good opportunity as a business owner," Blanchard said.



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The Shop of the Gulls is slated to close due to the economy.

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Lindsay is an ambassador for the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce. She received her education from the Massage

School at East West College of the Healing Arts in Portland Oregon. She returned to Michigan to join her family consisting of her husband, and two dogs, parents, two siblings who live in town with one in Battle Creek. She also wants to help the community of Charlevoix continue its well being.

She will be open Tuesday to Thursday from 10 - 6 and Saturday from 10 - 2. For further information her phone is 231-330-5594 and her email address is Lindsay-the-WellBeing@hotmail.com

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point 198 feet South of the Northeast corner of Outlot No. 4 as recorded in the Plat of Bayshore Village, thence West 122 feet; thence South 132 feet; thence East 122 feet; thence North 132 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 9, 2009
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shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7c of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc.

Attention: Frank Luke Lee and Andra R Lee, regarding the property at 10431 Huffman Lake Rd Boyne Falls, MI 49713.

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Attention: Loss Mitigation
Our File No. 09-18147
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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate of Josephine Marly
Date of Birth: 03/12/1912
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Josephine Marly, who lived at 03266 Terrace Road, Boyne City, Michigan died 11/21/2009. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Dawn Sygziel/Deborah Troyan, Trustees, named personal representatives or proposed personal representatives, 03266 Terrace Road, Boyne City, MI 49720, 10094 Colwell St., Allen Park, MI 48101 and the named/proposed personal representatives within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.
Dated: December 9, 2009
Dawn Sygziel
3266 Terrace Road
Boyne City, MI 49720
(231) 675-3057
Deborah Troyan
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STEPPING OUT in Charlevoix

ONGOING EVENTS:
Second Tuesday monthly from January through May
Daycare provider meeting at the Charlevoix Public Library Call 547-2072 for more information

HOSPICE HOLIDAY CARDS

Get your holiday cards while helping Hospice of Northwest Michigan

Cost is \$20 for 20 cards. They can be viewed at www.hospicenw.org and purchased online or at the following stores

Local Flavor and Boyne Area Collective Gallery in Boyne City; The Clothing Company in Charlevoix; Busy Bridge Gifts and Antiques in East Jordan; Sturgeon River Pottery and Wild Bird Supply in Petoskey; Antrim Review in Bellaire; and Adams Madams in Central Lake

Proceeds from the sale of these cards will help further the work of Hospice of Northwest Michigan, working in partnership with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, to provide care, treatment, comfort and compassion for Hospice Patients in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Ogemaw counties

ADULT BAND
Pine Lake Winds Band will be playing from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday nights at the Charlevoix Middle School Band Room.

Everyone is welcome. For further information contact EV Wuyck at 547-6376. Charlevoix Assembly of God

At 10:30 a.m. there is a Sunday service with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. A nursery is provided. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights is "Worship and Intercession" with live music

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights is Family Night with adult study, a youth group, Calvary Kids and a nursery.

The Food Pantry and Tabitha's Closet clothing ministry is open by appointment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays

Call 547-6430 for more information

BINGO
Bingo games are held from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. each Saturday at the Boyne City American Legion at 302 South Lake St. Play 39 games with 51 bingo games. Call 582-7811 for more information. Games include traditional pick your own hard cards, paper specials and a Michigan progressive jackpot.

Smoke-free and smoking area, as well as concessions are available

First Light Worship - this event is suspended for the month of December, but will resume in January.

First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held at 9 a.m. every Sunday morning in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall.

This is a great time to make new friends while coming together to worship Jesus in an informal atmosphere.

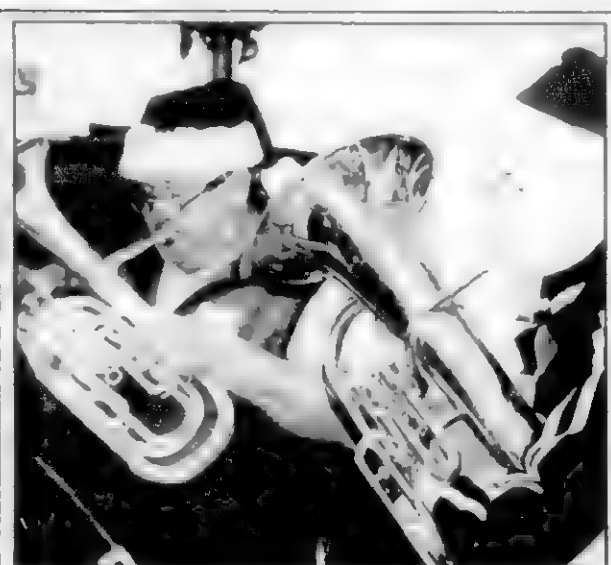
For more information call 547-9122

Local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists of Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Museum Hours
The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Sailing club
A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

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COURTESY PHOTO

NWA Christmas Concert

The Northwest Academy Advanced Band, the Intermediate Band, and the elementary music program will be providing their Holiday Music Concert at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the First Congregational Church on the corner of Park Ave. and State Streets. Come and enjoy music of the Holiday Season and refreshments will follow the concert.

Donations may also be made online to Harvest Gathering's "Fill Michigan's Fridge" food drive at www.feedmichigan.org

The Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Committee monthly meeting, scheduled on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m., has been changed to the third Tuesday in December 2009. Any questions concerning Veterans Affairs or this meeting change please contact Director Ed Holm at 547-7220

Substance abuse recovery classes
The Charlevoix Alano Club will be hosting a monthly "Substance Abuse and Recovery Community Education Series" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Alano Club, 106 Mason St. Club director Scott Kelly, who has more than 23 years of professional experience as a substance abuse professional, will facilitate the meetings.

There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome to help fund the club's numerous programs

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Call 547-1144 for more information.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

- Computer Boot Camp, 10:30 a.m., December 15 & 16: Learn Internet search tricks and some of the tools to create a document, and ask lots of questions! Call to register Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St., 231-237-7340.

- Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 1:00 p.m., December 16: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

- Quilters and Friends, 10:00 a.m., December 17: Join quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a morning work group. Bring your project and equipment.

- Managing your PC, 10:30 a.m., January 5 & 7: For those with basic computer skills to learn how to organize files and folders, how to customize your desktop and how to back-up important documents and pictures. Call to register.

- Open Mic Night, 6:30 p.m., January 6: Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

- New! Family Pre-school Class, 10:30 a.m., January 9: Join the library staff in welcoming Laura Pershin Raynor, a children's educator from Ann Arbor, for a special morning of stories specially designed to help your pre-schooler learn and strengthen reading skills.

- BookTalkers: The Forgery of Venus, by Michael Gruber, 6:00 p.m., January 11: Join others for a lively discussion of this fast paced book which offers fascinating details about art forgery and thought-provoking conversations about art and morality.

- Parlez Vous Français?, 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays January 12 through February 9: French Lessons for those who have taken at least one course of French including conversation, reading and simple grammar. Call to register, \$25 fee.

- Flip Video Film Night, 3:15 p.m., January 12: All teens welcome to make a film using the library's flip video camera or their own. Films can then be entered in the Library's Film Festival.

- Mail Order and Catalog Houses, 6:30 p.m., January 14: Join the Friends of the Library

for their annual meeting and hear Richard Neumann present slides which will review the mail order and catalog house businesses of the twentieth century.

- Mystery Night Tween Lock-In, 6:00 p.m., January 15: Wanna know the mysteries of the library at night? Come with a flashlight and see the dark side of the library, pizza provided. C

- Microsoft Word 2007 Basics, 10:30 a.m., January 19 & 21: For those who know the basics to learn to create a basic typed document and learn to format it. Call to register.

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- Imagine That! A Day of Fun, Friends and Green Crafts, January 23: Spend the day with friends making bags, jewelry, clothes, and accessories, all from recycled materials. \$5 fee per class. Registration required.

- Learn to Sell on Etsy.com - the Place for All Things Handmade, 6:30 p.m., January 28: This workshop will show you how to get started buying and selling your handmade crafts online. Call to pre-register.

- Weekly events
- Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

- Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

- Where the Wild Things Are Party, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 21: Dress up like a wild thing, listen to a reading of Where the Wild Things Are and come play games, make crafts and have a wild time.

- Handling the Holidays, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 23: Hospice of Little Traverse Bay offers suggestions and reflections to help you cope with grief during the holiday season. Bereavement counselors will address your grief to help make your holidays and special occasions brighter

CCA

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

- 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Marcie Vargas holds a writers' workshop on Dec. 9 and 16. Cost

is \$30. Bring a notebook and writing utensil.

- Charlevoix Circle of Arts is looking for holiday cards, hand crafted decorations or artwork for their Gallery Shop.

Now through Christmas Eve On Wednesday, December 2nd, the Charlevoix Lions plan to begin selling Christmas trees in the same familiar area in East Park. The club's annual winter-time charity fundraiser, now in its quarter-century plus year, is in support of its some thirty local and worldwide charities. The club will be offering blue spruce, black hills spruce and Fraser fir trees. Hours are: from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays; from noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

DEC. 9

Cooking classes
Cooking Classes at the Al-cove Cafe from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9.

Call 547-7490 for information and to register.
Roasted Tomato-Basil Soup and Scones - We'll make the soup, and a variety of scones, dine, and take some home, along with the recipes.

DEC. 11 DEADLINE

Kiwanis essay contest
Second Annual Charlevoix Kiwanis Club Vandenberg Essay Contest

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club is sponsoring an essay contest open to all Charlevoix area students currently in the fifth-grade. Students are to explain, in one to two pages, which non-profit group they think an award of \$50 should be given and why they have selected that particular charity.

There will be multiple student essay contest winners and an award ceremony will be held in which winners and their parents will be invited.

Each student who wrote a winning essay will be presented with a \$50 check and the students in turn will present their check to their favorite charity.

The Charlevoix Kiwanis Club hopes to encourage fifth grade students to think about all of the good things that the various charities do to help our community.

The essay contest is named after former Charlevoix Kiwanis Club member Merle Vandenberg. Merle served Kiwanis as president of the local club and as a Lt. Governor.

He was a teacher and dedicated his life to helping Charlevoix area students. Es-

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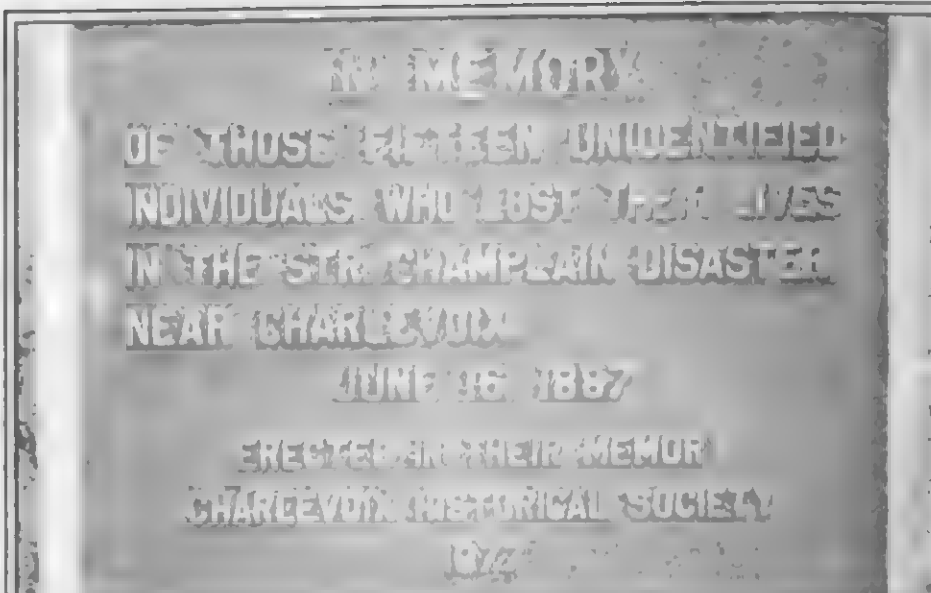


PHOTO BY RACHEL BROUGHAM

This plaque and 15 unmarked graves are all that remain of one of the greatest tragedies in Charlevoix history.

History tucked away in cemetery

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

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Tucked away in a forgotten corner just outside downtown Charlevoix, lie the pieces of a story that's nearly 125 years old.

"It's probably long since been forgotten," said Joseph Smith, a longtime Charlevoix county resident.

"Except for maybe maintenance crews working in the cemetery, I bet most people don't even know this spot exists."

In a far corner of Brookside Cemetery, 15 unmarked graves stand along with a memorial plaque. The plaque reads, "In memory of those fifteen unidentified individuals, who lost their lives in the Str. Champlain disaster near Charlevoix on June 16, 1887."

The plaque was placed at the site in 1977 by the Charlevoix Historical Society.

The Champlain was a wooden, propeller-driven vessel built in 1870.

The Champlain made runs from Chicago to Cheboygan, with stops often in Traverse City, Elk Rapids, and Charlevoix.

Shortly before midnight on that fateful day in 1887, with more than 50 people aboard, the unimaginable happened.

While traveling between Norwood and Charlevoix, the Champlain caught fire.

"Evidently there was a

lumber camp on Fisher-man's Island near where the ship caught fire," explained Dave Miles, Director of the Charlevoix Historical Society. "It's been said that the fire on the ship was so intense, it was glowing white."

In a document written in 1886 that compiles survivor and eyewitness accounts of the tragedy, stories of the events that unfolded that night paint a horrific picture.

W.E. Albright of Chicago, one of the Champlain's passengers, stated, "We heard the most unearthly shrieks. I afterward learned that it was the poor engineer, who rushed up to the upper deck with his clothes all on fire. I ran out upon the guards, and seeing that the boat was all on fire, I returned to the cabin and told the ladies we would have to go out on the bow and get on life preservers. An attempt was made to lower the boats, but we were running so fast it could not be done. The flames kept crowding us more and more out upon the bow."

Mary Wakefield, a Charlevoix resident, had boarded the Champlain in Chicago with Mrs. Kehoe and Mrs. Kehoe's young daughter, Mabel. Wakefield said the captain of the vessel told her and Mrs. Kehoe that they needed to jump ship in order to be saved.

"The captain gave Mrs. Kehoe a cabin door as she went into the water, but she was unable to hold on to it

after she came up the first time. It floated away from her and she drowned," recalled Wakefield.

"I went into the water with little Mabel. I held her up and kept her head out of the water by holding her clothes in my teeth until we were picked up and assisted to the shore."

Of all the documented passengers, nine were from Charlevoix. In the end, 18 people were reported to have perished in the disaster.

"Fifteen of the bodies were recovered and sent elsewhere for burial," said Miles.

"But three bodies that couldn't be identified are buried in the potter's field of the cemetery. It's probably a big misconception that all of those graves are those of the crew members of the Champlain."

The identities of the other twelve people buried at the site remain unknown.

"Over the years, people who died here and weren't identified had to be buried somewhere, so many of them ended up in the potter's field," said Miles.

"It's kind of a shame that the memorial is way back there in a spot most people don't know about," said Smith.

"You really have to know where to look. But it's such an interesting piece of Charlevoix history."

The Champlain was rebuilt and put back into service with a new name.

It sank off the coast of Wisconsin four years later.

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say contest application forms will be available at Charlevoix Middle School, St. Mary's School, and Northwest Academy. Home school student's may pick up and application at Round Lake Book Store in Charlevoix.

Essay must be submitted to their fifth-grade teacher by Dec. 11, or to Gayle Oennett. Call Gennett at 547-5598 for more information.

DEC. 11

Singles for Christ
This event is for 40 and older, from 6 p.m. at the Argonne Supper Club, 11929 Boyne City Road in Charlevoix.

Bring a \$10 gift to exchange at the restaurant.

After the dinner, participants are all invited to Yvonne Engler's home at 4105 Sequanota Road in Charlevoix.

Bring two dozen Christmas Cookies for the cookie exchange and watch the movie "The Ultimate Gift."

Reservations are required. Call Frieda Lewitt at (231) 347-5747 or e-mail frieda@compro.com.

DEC. 12

Christmas Choir
"City of Light" is the 2009 annual Christmas Cantata, created and arranged by Tom Fette, which will be presented by a Community Christmas Choir, at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13 at the Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix located at the corner of US-31 and Meech Street in Charlevoix.

We are reminded of the mystery surrounding the revelations of a great light to come from the prophet, Isaiah, and the oppression felt in Bethlehem from the Innkeeper. Mary will share what was on her heart in that lowly stable, and a grown up Shepherd remembers all he experienced on that special night. We are also reminded the light of the world was kindled for us in a rough, straw filled manger where God became flesh and dwelt among us more than 2000 years ago, and that same great light continues yet today.

There is no admissions charge, but an opportunity for giving to the Community is available via donations to the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

ATWOOD CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

The business community of Atwood will be holding their 2nd Annual Christmas Open House Saturday, Dec. 12. At 9

a.m. there is a pancake breakfast at Friske Orchards.

Royal Farms has their horse drawn sleigh ride from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

At Atwood Hardware there will be an outdoor adventure of building a snow-sculpture in front of the store

DEC. 14

The Charlevoix County Republican Women and the Charlevoix County Republicans will hold a joint holiday event at 5:30 p.m. at the Weatherlane Restaurant.

Kevin Elsenheimer will attend. Admission is a child's toy which will be donated. Call Phyllis at 547-4046 or 547-6600.

DEC. 15

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MARCH 13, 2010

Rotary St. Patrick's Day party at Castle Farms
Details to follow.

Lions collect glasses
The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

BERGMANN CENTER SEEKS DONATIONS
Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979

Commodity pick-up
The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I

The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II

Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III

The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES

Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



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Charlevoix Girl Scouts

Charlevoix Girl Scouts begin an "amazing" year! Approximately 25 girls joined in the fun at the Charlevoix Area Girl Scouts all-troop corn maze event in late October at Royal Farms. In November, over 60 Girl Scouts and their families attended an exclusive showing of "A Christmas Carol" at the Charlevoix Cinema III for the November all-troop event. The event included a huge collection and donation to the Charlevoix Food Pantry of Thanksgiving dinner "makings" for the community. The girls have their annual Christmas caroling at Boulder Park Terrace and Sunnybank and Santa's workshop planned for their December all-troop event. Girl Scouts is open to girls from Kindergarten through 12th-grade and is a wonderful way to make friends, help the community, build self-esteem and have fun! It is not too late to register. A girl can join at any time during the year. If you would like to register, please call Karen Gludice at 547-0739.

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Emma Lee recovering after brain surgery

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Emma Lee

Last month, 6-year-old Emma Lee Antkowiak was having issues with dizziness and balance.

Doctors in Traverse City discovered Emma Lee with a brain tumor and she was rushed to Grand Rapids.

Just before Thanksgiving, doctors at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital successfully removed the tumor.

It was found to be non-cancerous.

And after several days recovering in the hospital, Emma Lee

was transferred to Mary Free Bed where friends say she continues to improve each day with the help of therapy.

"We're all sending her letters," said Kerry Smith, a secretary at the Beaver Island School.

"All the students and the staff have been sending her letters and we've been in communication with the family."

In addition to letters, other islanders are working to make wishes come true.

Jessica Keehn Anderson wrote a story about Emma Lee and submitted it to Macy's and the Make a Wish Foundation.

The theme for this year's campaign is, "Believe!"

Entrants are to write a story on why they believe, and Anderson wrote about Emma Lee's situation and the outpouring of support and prayer.

If Emma Lee receives enough votes, she and three other family members will be flown to New York City next Thanksgiving.

Handel's Messiah

Handel's "Messiah" soloists including Michelle Arayzaga (left) will be performing with the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra. A quartet will join the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra and Chorus in a performance of Handel's "Messiah." At 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 17 at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Petoskey.



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"We're all just anxious to have her back. Her friends and classmates really miss her."

KERRY SMITH,
SECRETARY, BEAVER ISLAND SCHOOLS

ing and will be special guests at the Macy's 2010 Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Support for the Antkowiak family is also coming in the

form of monetary donations.

On Nov. 24, Dana Hodgson and her husband who own Shamrock Bar hosted a benefit dinner

All donations and sales that night went to the Antkowiak family to help with medical costs.

The benefit brought in more than \$10,000.

Friends all say they continue to offer support and pray for Emma Lee and her family.

And, they're anxious for her to come home.

"We're all just anxious to have her back," said Smith.

"Her friends and classmates really miss her."

Those wishing to vote for Emma Lee in the Macy's and Make a Wish Foundation Web site can do so at social.macy.com/believe2009.

The Antkowiaks are also still accepting monetary donations. Donations can be sent to: Antkowiak family, c/o Shamrock Bar, P.O. Box 237, Beaver Island, Mich. 49782.

This is the fifth in a series of updates

outlining the water treatment and disposal options being considered right now by CMS Land and government officials. As part of the Little Traverse Bay Environmental Project, millions of gallons of groundwater, high in alkalinity and containing trace amounts of mercury and other contaminants, are collected at the shoreline in order to protect the Bay. Collection of this water will go on for the foreseeable future, but what to do with it for the long term remains a crucial unanswered question. Any final solution must answer the following questions:

- Does the solution protect human health and Little Traverse Bay?
- Does it provide a local solution to this local problem?
- Is it supported by sound science?
- Does it significantly reduce the mercury levels of the water?
- Does it relieve local road congestion and safety issues associated with tanker truck traffic?
- Does it minimize disruption to the community, economy and tourism?
- Is the solution economically reasonable?

Exploring Options for Protecting Our Bay

OPTION: Secure National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits to treat, remove mercury and safely release collected water to Little Traverse Bay.

Under the U.S. Clean Water Act, the NPDES permit program controls water quality by regulating the release of pollutants into waters of the United States. NPDES permits are used to regulate discharges to the Great Lakes from wastewater treatment plants and a wide variety of other facilities and sites. CMS Land plans to submit two separate NPDES applications due to differing amounts of mercury contained in the water collected at Resort Township's East Park and the Bay Harbor development.

A permit application will be submitted for the Bay Harbor development soon that calls for using the best proven technology to actually remove about 90 percent of the mercury contained in the water collected as part of the environmental project. Research commissioned by CMS Land indicates that technology has been identified that will reduce the mercury concentration in the collected water from about 110 parts per trillion (ppt) to about 10 ppt before release to the lake. For reference, the state standard for mercury discharge to Lake Michigan is 1.3 ppt while the federal standard for drinking water is 2,000 ppt. Because proven technology is currently not able to reduce the mercury concentration to 1.3 ppt, regulators would need to approve a variance to allow discharge to the lake.

In November CMS Land applied for an NPDES permit to reduce the alkalinity (pH) of the water collected at East Park, mix it with clean ground water and then release it to Lake Michigan. Scientific analysis indicates that the mixed water will meet mercury standards for release to the bay.

CMS continues to investigate scientific processes that may prove to be even more effective in removing mercury in the future.

Utilizing NPDES permits meets all of the objectives to be considered an appropriate local solution. The process is supported by science. The mercury content in the collected water would actually be reduced by about 90 percent making the NPDES the most environmentally friendly option being considered. An additional benefit is that NPDES permits must be reviewed every five years and require that contaminant reduction measures are implemented if required and possible. The NPDES option is relatively economical and would be a local solution, removing the majority of the tanker trucks from the roads and relieving local traffic congestion and public safety concerns.

Next: Summary of all solutions

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Mt. McSauba to open Dec. 19

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NEWS-REVIEW

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Mount McSauba, Charlevoix's city-run winter recreation area, is on track to have skiing available starting Saturday, Dec. 19.

"If we can be open by Christmas break, that's our goal," said city recreation director Ike Boss.



Boss

With young adults and families being among Mount McSauba's core users, Boss said the holiday break tends to be the most feasible time to plan for an opening.

With snowmaking equipment supplementing

the natural snow that's been accumulating in recent days, Boss expects recreation staff will have the desired three-foot base of snow in time for the Dec. 19 target date.

A \$250,000 groomer acquired last year will be used to help even the snow accumulation out.

Mount McSauba's sledding hill, which offers free admission, already is open. Boss hopes the

ice rink will be ready for skating — which involves a \$1 charge — by Dec. 19 as well.

The ski area features five runs and four rope tows. McSauba also includes a terrain park for snowboarding.

Cameras in place at the terrain park let parents view their children's activities there from the ski area's lodge.

During the holiday break period, Mount McSauba will be open 11 a.m.-4 p.m. daily except for Christmas and New Year's Day.

After the holiday season, the operating schedule will shift to 5-9 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Mount McSauba has one skiing and snowboarding price structure for

residents of Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township and Hayes Township, and another for non-residents.

For residents, the adult charge for skiing and terrain park use is \$12, with a \$10 fee for students. The resident cost for equipment rental is \$10.

Non-resident user charges are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students, with equipment rentals priced at \$12.

Coping with holiday stress and poverty

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selves permission to feel sadness and grief," said Bamberg. "People should be clear with themselves and accept that these types of feelings are there and are valid."

Bamberg points out there are two main causes of stress this time of year — economic stress and the stress of past losses.

"Many people can't manage the way they used to be able to because of the economy,"

Fr. Charlevoix book update

The article of Dec. 2 on the donation of the 1763 book of Father Charlevoix's letters to the Charlevoix Historical Society was incorrect regarding the actual method of donation, due to incomplete information at the time the article was written.

The book was not found in the "toss-out bin" at the University of Iowa as stated. Withdrawn with many others from the State of Iowa Library in Des Moines and transferred to the University in Iowa City, the book was discovered to be a duplicate of a volume already in the University's collection, so it was placed aside.

A few years later, it caught the eye of Prof. Timothy Barrett of the University's Center for the Book in a collection of timeworn volumes that might be candidates for research into binding and old paper-making techniques, his specialty.

But its excellent condition did not make it a candidate for conservation. Prof. Barrett's family has enjoyed a summer home on Beaver Island for years. He is familiar with Charlevoix, and thought the book would be of singular importance to the citizens of the region that Father Charlevoix explored and reported on. Prof. Barrett therefore worked with the Iowa librarians to release the book from the collection.

said Bamberg. "If that's the case, the person needs to really think about how they feel about the holidays and what is most important and not try to overextend themselves."

Bamberg also urges those who are dealing with the loss of a loved one should accept that feelings of grief are valid during the holidays. Those dealing with grief should be open to discussing their feelings with trusted friends and family members.

Bamberg encourages any-

one who is feeling extremely stressed or overwhelmed to get help. She stresses that asking for a little help is not something to be ashamed of. And she urges those who are feeling stressed and overwhelmed to stay away from food, drugs and alcohol as coping mechanisms since they can often make the stress worse.

The North Country Community Mental Health Office has a 24-hour Crisis Line at (800) 442-7315 for anyone who would need help.

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Wojan Window & Door welcomes new staff



Pagano

Rick Pagano has joined Wojan Window & Door Corporation as its new National Sales Manager. A resident of the Chicago area, he brings more than 30 years of industry experience. Pagano has responsibility for supervision of the U.S. national field sales force, sales training and customer account development. He comes to Wojan from TRACO, and was previously with Allied Building Products. Pagano earned his bachelor's from Governors State University (Illinois) and has had various affiliations with CSI, NAHRO & PHMA. He was also certified as a trainer for AAMA Installation Masters.

Also new to the Wojan sales force is Mario Tarquinio,



Tarquinio

whose territory includes Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland and the District of Columbia. He was previously with TRA-Masters.

CO. Tarquinio is a native of the Pittsburgh area, and holds a bachelor's from Allegheny

College (Pennsylvania). He was also a captain and award winning member of his college football squad. And David Dewey has joined Wojan Window & Door as Senior Engineer. Based at the company's Michigan headquarters, Dewey's responsibilities include new product design and development. He is also coordinating upgrades to technical drawings, procedures and documentation. Dewey previously worked for Weather Shield Mfg., and more recently



Dewey

ly Kinro Inc. - in engineering, project management and enterprise resource planning roles. Dewey holds a bachelor's from Lake Superior State University (Michigan). In other personnel news, the

company has announced the promotion of Ralph Doan to Quality Control Manager at its Charlevoix, Mich., plant. During Doan's 25-year career with Wojan he has held positions of increasing responsibility in areas such as accounting, supply chain/purchasing, and manufacturing. His new assignment is part of the company's ongoing efforts toward continuous improvement in its production processes.

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Wojan earns third Inc. 5000 honor

Wojan Window & Door Eams Third Inc. 5000 Honor

For the third year in a row, Wojan Window & Door Corp has earned a position in the Inc. 5000.

The company received a rank of 2346 by Inc. magazine - as part of the publication's 2009 annual list of the fastest-growing privately held companies in America.

"This is our third consecutive year to receive the Inc. 5000 honor, and it goes hand-in-hand with our efforts to keep growing the business," said company President and CEO Dennis Wojan. "Even in the face of a tough economy, we've persevered to continue development of new products. We

have a number of exciting things in the pipeline."

"The ranking reflects our employees' hard work and focus on achieving continuous improvement," said Keith Demeuse, Wojan Executive Vice President. "Our goals include ever-better execution in areas such as design engineering, customer service, supply chain and manufacturing quality."

According to the publication, the Inc. 5000 list has served as evidence of the significant accomplishments of entrepreneurial companies. "As an Inc. 5000 honoree, Wojan Window & Door shares a prestigious pedigree with some of the most successful

businesses in the country," said Inc. Editor Jane Berentson in her award letter. "We recognize the creativity, dedication, and hard work that have gone into building the company into what it is today."

Founded in 1952, Wojan Corp. is a Charlevoix, Michigan-based manufacturer of quality aluminum windows and sliding doors for the U.S. marketplace. The diverse product line is rated for a variety of commercial and architectural applications. A veteran-owned company, Wojan serves its fenestration markets from production facilities in Charlevoix and Coldwater, Michigan. www.wojan.com



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Wojan Window & Door of Charlevoix continue to rank high in manufacturing circles.

Wojan's new staff includes sales and marketing specialists

WOJAN

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Also at Wojan headquarters,

Patrick Bubin was promoted to Vice President Marketing & Sales, from the position of Marketing Director.

He first joined the company in 2008 bringing more than 15 years of accomplishments in sales, marketing and com-

munications management. His prior experience included B2B, B2C and B2G channels, primarily with manufacturers

serving domestic and international marketplaces. Bubin holds a bachelor's from the University of Michigan, and

has graduate course work in advertising / public relations from Michigan State University.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Betty E. Loranger, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated January 25, 2005, and recorded on January 31, 2005 in Liber 665 on Page 66, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for GSAA Home Equity Trust 2005-7 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Three And 03/100 Dollars (\$127,693.03), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 85 and 88 of Calberts Addition to the Village of South Boyne, now city of Boyne City, and also the East 1/2 feet of vacated alley abutting said Lots, according to the plat thereof recorded in Charlevoix County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 2, 2009

For more information, please call:

F.C. (248) 593-1309

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gene A. Brooks, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 2004, and recorded on November 3, 2004 in Liber 648 on Page 112, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to James Anderson, the borrower and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 3910 N Camp 10 Rd, El Mira, MI 49730-8753.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trotter & Trotter, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 29794601 (L-12/16)

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.

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If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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ATTENTION! POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, Charlevoix State Bank may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Brian Pinney and Anne Pinney, husband and wife, reserving a life estate in favor of Keith Pinney and Pamela J. Pinney, husband and wife, ("Debtors") to Charlevoix State Bank ("Charlevoix State Bank"), dated January 30, 2006, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on February 3, 2006, in Liber 729, Page(s) 302, et seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$19,273.67, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Charlevoix

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The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

Dated: December 8, 2009 Charlevoix State Bank By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD IV (P64560)

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C. Attorneys for Charlevoix State Bank 1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817 Traverse City, Michigan 49706-5817 (231) 941-9660 File No.: 7178.0006 (L-12/16, 12/23, 12/30, 1/6)

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Samantha Harris, the borrower and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 310 W Lincoln St, Charlevoix, MI 49720-1221.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trotter & Trotter, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1313.

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State Bank together with interest at 7.75 percent per annum NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et seq., on January 15, 2010 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILSON, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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Dated: December 8, 2009 Charlevoix State Bank By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD IV (P64560)

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CITY OF CHARLEVOIX REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS
Monday, December 7, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

The Charlevoix City Council met on the above date with Mayor Norman L. Carlson, Jr. presiding. All Council members were present. The following proceedings took place:

ADULT BAND
Pine Lake Winds Band will be playing from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday nights at the Charlevoix Middle School Band Room.

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Phone 547-4033 or go to www.chhhistory.com for more information.

FREE LUNCH
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

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Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

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FOUR FIRES NATIVE TALKING CIRCLE
Meets at 7 p.m., the second Monday of every month at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix. It is a biblically based native group that focuses on culture, music and native religion. All are welcome. Do not have to be native American to attend. The Freedom House Church is located at 12705 US 31 N in Charlevoix. Call 547-2568 for more information.

FIBROMYALGIA
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The event is open to the general public.

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Wednesday, December 16, 2009

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ONGOING EVENTS:

Second Tuesday monthly from January through May. Daycare provider meeting at the Charlevoix Public Library. Call 547-2072 for more information.

ADULT BAND
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CHARLEVOIX COURIER 21

BLOOD DRIVES

• 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive.
• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Dec. 28 at Community of Christ Church, 777 Vogel St. in Boyne City.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

• Computer Boot Camp, 10:30 a.m., December 15 & 16: Learn Internet search tricks and some of the tools to create a document, and ask lots of questions! Call to register. Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St., 231-237-7340.

• Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 1:00 p.m., December 16: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

• Quilters and Friends, 10:00 a.m., December 17: Join quilters and other fiber artists for a morning work group. Bring your project and equipment.

• Managing your PC, 10:30 a.m., January 5 & 7: For those with basic computer skills to learn how to organize files and folders, how to customize your desktop and how to back-up important documents and pictures. Call to register.

• Open Mic Night, 6:30 p.m., January 6: Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

• Mystery Night Tween Lock-In, 6:00 p.m., January 15: Wanna know the mysteries of the library at night? Come

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with a flashlight and see the dark side of the library, pizza provided. C

- Microsoft Word 2007 Basics, 10:30 a.m., January 19 & 21: For those who know the basics to learn to create a basic typed document and learn to format it. Call to register.

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- Imagine That! A Day of Fun, Friends and Green Crafts, January 23: Spend the day with friends making bags, jewelry, clothes, and accessories, all from recycled materials. \$5 fee per class. Registration required.

- Learn to Sell on Etsy.com the Place for All Things Handmade, 6:30 p.m., January 28: This workshop will show you how to get started buying and selling your handmade crafts online. Call to pre-register.

Weekly events
• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

- Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

- Le Cercle Français, meets noon on Tuesdays in the Trustee Conference Room, to practice and renew French conversation skills by sharing knowledge and learning from others. The group facilitator is Vince Chew.

- Quilters and Friends meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the third

Thursday of the month. This group of quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts is set up as a workgroup, so bring along your current fiber project and all the equipment you need (yes, even your sewing machine!) and enjoy the company of friends. The group facilitator is Sue Dixon.

- Northern Michigan Textile Artists meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs for discussion of projects and ideas.

- The Scrapbookers meet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the fourth Saturday of the month. Treat yourself to a full day away from home to work on your photos with group facilitator, Sheila Davis and other like-minded scrappers.

- The Book Talkers meet regularly throughout the year at 6 p.m. on Monday evenings. Beth Strawbridge facilitates this group. Call the library for upcoming dates and titles, 237-7340.

- The Writer's Group meets at 6 p.m. every Wednesday in the Armstrong Conference Room. This group of writing enthusiasts (from beginner to published) encourages each other and share their work. The group welcomes all who are interested in writing for themselves, their family, and/or for publication. The group facilitator is Jim McKinney. For more information about these or other library events, call the library 237-7340.

CCA

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing,



COURTESY PHOTO

Bagging the big one

Christopher Snabes of Charlevoix took this mighty elk while hunting near Atlanta earlier this month. Pictured with Snabes is his guide Bob Whitney (right). The 500 pound cow elk was taken on the first day of the December elk hunt, Dec. 8. Snabes was hunting with his father and brother.

registration and availability.

- 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Marcie Vargas holds a writers' workshop on Dec. 16. Cost is \$30. Bring a notebook and writing utensil.

- Charlevoix Circle of Arts is looking for holiday cards, handcrafted decorations or artwork for their Gallery Shop.

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NOW THROUGH CHRISTMAS EVE

Charlevoix Lions are selling Christmas trees in the same familiar area in East Park. The club's annual winter-time charity fundraiser, now in its quarter-century plus year, is in sup-

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port of its some thirty local and world wide charities. The club will be offering blue spruce, black hills spruce and Fraser fir trees. Hours are: from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays; from noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

DEC. 18

Flu shots for all
H1N1 vaccination now open to everyone

Walk-in community H1N1 and seasonal flu vaccination clinics will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday Dec. 18, at the following locations: Health Department Bellaire office, Charlevoix Public Library, Health Department Petoskey/Harbor Springs office, and Health Department Gaylord office. Both H1N1 and seasonal flu vaccination is recommended for nearly everyone six months of age and older.

Both vaccinations can be given at the same time if needed.

H1N1 vaccination is free; seasonal flu vaccination is \$25. Medicare and Medicaid accepted.

Vaccination appointments are also available at Health Department offices.

Contact the Health Department at (800) 432-4121 or www.nwhealth.org for more information.

DEC. 19

Knock Hunger On Its Can
The Charlevoix Football team will be trying to fill a trailer with non-perishable food items and returnable cans from noon to 4 p.m. on Dec. 19 in Charlevoix Oleson's parking lot.

All items will go to the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry.

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Photo contest
Crooked Tree Arts Center's Juried Photography 2010 Based on Watershed Awareness

The call for entries has been established for the Crooked Tree Arts Center's 29th Annual Photography Exhibition accepting works in early January 2010 with the theme set on watershed awareness. CTAC is working in cooperation with the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council based in Petoskey, the Leelanau Conservancy, and the Watershed Center of Grand Traverse Bay to create an exhibition with images taken solely on these watershed lands.

June's for the 2010 Juried Photography exhibition are Todd and Brad Reed, the father and son outdoor photography

team based in Ludington, Michigan. Todd Reed has been recording Michigan scenes for over 35 years, 23 of those years as a photojournalist for the Ludington Daily News where he has won dozens of awards. His son Brad's journey as a photographer started as a young boy and has followed in his father's footsteps achieving his own recognition as an artist.

The 29th Annual Juried Photography Exhibition is open to all Michigan photographers 18 years or older and/or members of the Crooked Tree Arts Center. Photograph drop off will be from noon to 4 p.m. on Jan. 8 and 9. Go to www.watershed-council.org, the Leelanau Conservancy www.theconservancy.com, or the Watershed Center www.gtbay.org for more. The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located downtown Petoskey at 461 E. Mitchell St. Call 347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org.

MARCH 13, 2010

Rotary St. Patrick's Day party at Castle Farms
Details to follow

LIONS COLLECT GLASSES

The Lions collect used eyeglasses year-round for distribution in third-world countries. Any Lion will take used glasses. Currently used glasses can be dropped off at Charlevoix Public Library, Charlevoix State Bank, optometrist Steve Voci's office at 103 Clinton St. and Dr. Reed Freidinger's office at 14730 Park Ave.

BERGMANN CENTER SEEKS DONATIONS
Bergmann Center Inc. of Charlevoix is looking for donations of stained glass scraps of all colors, shapes and sizes. For more information, call Gail at 547-2979.

COMMODITY PICK-UP

The Bergmann Center of Charlevoix will pick-up commodities in Boyne City on the first Thursday of every month and deliver them to home-bound senior citizens across Charlevoix County. The number of boxes of commodities the center can deliver is limited. Those interested in the service should call Marge at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging office at 237-0103.

FOOD PANTRIES

Food pantry I
The Charlevoix Assembly of God Church offers a food pantry from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment only. For more

information or to schedule an appointment, call the church office at 547-6430.

Food pantry II
Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday and Thursday at the First Congregational Church located at the corner of Park Avenue and State Street in Charlevoix. Anyone who needs assistance and lives in the Charlevoix Public School District is welcome to come.

Food pantry III
The Bible Baptist Church offers a food pantry. To make an appointment, call the church at 547-4300 or visit the Bible Baptist Church located off M-66 one half mile south of Kmart.

MEDUSA RETIREES
Medusa retirees meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Flap Jack family restaurant.



COURTESY PHOTO

Boulder Park cookbook

Cookbooks featuring recipes from residents and staff of Boulder Park Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Charlevoix are now available at several locations in the area including Mary's of Boyne, the E.J. Shoppe, Halfway to the Top and Boulder Park Terrace located at 14676 W. Upright in Charlevoix. Pictured are cookbook architect Lucille Wandrie, a CENA at Boulder Park, book sponsor Murray Kilgour and facility director Deb McKenzie. Cost is \$20 with proceeds benefiting the Aviary at Boulder Park.

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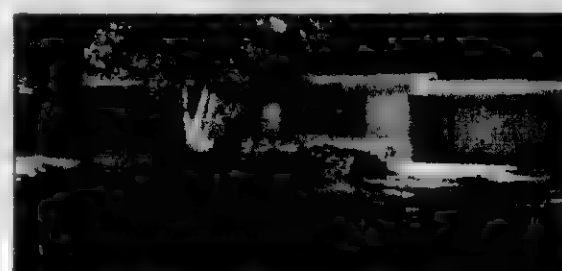
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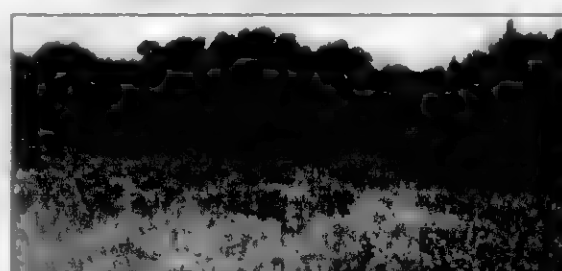
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City could face \$300K shortfall

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

What was to be a brief summary of the city's 2010-2011 goal-setting plan turned to talk of fiscal distress.

Charlevoix City Manager Rob Straebel announced that the city may be facing a \$300,000 shortfall next year due to shrinking property values and rising costs.

"This is just a ballpark first blush look at where property values are going, and let me couch this by initially saying this was determined from a very small sample of properties," Straebel told council during their regular Monday Dec. 21 meeting.

"It looks like residential value is going to be go-



Straebel

ing down about 10 percent commercial about four percent and industrial about nine percent."

Also mentioned was a potential loss of \$53,000 in revenue to the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Councilman Dennis Kusina asked how the DDA will be able to pay its bond payments with a potential \$53,000 shortfall.

Straebel said, though it has not yet been enacted by the Michigan legisla-

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Cole family finally home

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Moving back to Detroit wasn't their first choice, but they are thankful to have a warm, safe place to spend the holidays.

The young woman and her seven children who were on the verge of homelessness just a few weeks ago have found a new home.

"They searched for

a house up here, but couldn't find a house big enough with a landlord that would rent to them with seven kids," said Jennifer Duhart, aunt of 25-year-old Renae Cole.

Cole, her four children and three young siblings moved to Charlevoix last winter after Cole's mother died of cancer.

Cole found herself unable to pay her bills just a week before Thanksgiv-

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Christmas Tunes

Charlevoix High School Band Students rock out in the horn section, shown above, during the annual Christmas Concert held Thursday Dec. 17 in the high school's auditorium. See pages six and seven for more holiday celebrations at local schools.



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DISTRICT COURT

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Sean Patrick Torres, 37, Boyne Falls. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Billie Lynn Crowell, 32, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Christopher Michael Bryant, 35, Boyne Falls. Operator with multiple no license. Pay \$800 in fines and costs or serve 15 days in jail.

Richard Henry Towns Jr., 26, Boyne City. No operator license on person. \$200 in fines and costs.

Paul Earl Shuler II, 27, East Jordan. Domestic violence. Credit for

three days in jail; to serve 15 days in jail; 75 days held in abeyance; to serve one year on probation; submit to PB1/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$650 in fines and costs.

Brandon Jon Bergeron, 19, Pellston. Minor in possession, first offense. Serve 40 hours of community service work; \$300 in fines and costs.

JURY

Jaclyn Rain Wiatrowski weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces was born Dec. 10 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Jeffrey and Kara Wiatrowski of Charlevoix. Her siblings are twins Clayton and Kelsey, and Jeffrey Jr. Her grandparents are Gary and Carol Field of Charlevoix.

Steve Wiatrowski of Levening and Deborah Martin of Escanaba. Her

great-grandparents are Henry and Anne Field of Petoskey.

Kale Gregory Meir weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces was born Dec. 9 at the Charlevoix Area Hospital to Heath and Christie Meir of Boyne City. His siblings are Kaden and Koleson. His grandparents are Lyle and Gayle Gahnest of Charlevoix, Sherry Meir of Central Lake and Bernard Meir of Inverness City.

POLICE REPORTS

Sheriff W. D. (Don) Schneider advises that at 7:37 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15 the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a one vehicle rollover personal injury traffic crash. The crash occurred on M-75 North one half mile southwest of South Shore Drive on Melrose Township.

Forty-one year old Jacques Pierre Battiste of Boyne City was traveling northeast on M-75 North when he lost control on a curve. His 2007 Pontiac G6 left the roadway, rolled over then struck a tree. Speed and alcohol were both factors in the crash.

Battiste received an injury to his right hand and was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital by the Boyne City Ambulance.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Boyne City EMS, Melrose Township Fire Department and an off-duty East Jordan Police Officer.

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Wiesner resigns as Gladstone City Manager

This article originally appeared in the Escanaba Daily Press on Dec. 16

BY LAURA MERRI

The Gladstone mayor and city commissioners are re-naming close-mouthed about former city manager Michael Wiesner's recent decision to resign from his position.

The announcement of Wiesner's resignation came after his evaluation which took place in closed session during Monday's city commission meeting. The city commission voted

unanimously to accept his resignation, which took effect Tuesday.

Wiesner came on board as Gladstone's city manager on Feb. 23.

"It's been an experience working for Gladstone and I wish the city the best in the future," said Wiesner.

Mayor Darrin Hunter declined to discuss any details about Wiesner's evaluation or the reasons behind his resignation.

"We as a whole are moving forward," he said. "We're going to have this play out so we as a commission

as well as the city staff and city as a whole will have an understanding of what direction we're heading in."

City commissioners and all other city department heads were instructed, during a meeting Tuesday morning, not to comment on the issue and to direct any questions from the media to the city's mayor.

Wiesner received a mixed evaluation when his performance as city manager was last reviewed in August.

At that time, the commission determined his strengths lie in budgeting

and financial analysis, and his areas of weakness were in communication and understanding the community.

The commission set up goals for Wiesner to achieve by his next evaluation date, which was Monday. These goals included: continuing to work on the budget situation for this fiscal year and multi-year projections; improve communications and develop a better understanding of the community and city staff; and work toward developing policy and procedures for the city.

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Pictured for the last time in their apartment before being evicted on Friday Nov. 20 is the Cole family: 7-year-old Elijah, 1-year-old Jacob, 25-year-old mother Renee, 5-year-old Taija King, (back) 14-year-old Keshonda Cole, 3-year-old Aaron King, 4-year-old Jerimiah Cole, 8-year-old Angel Cole and 19-year-old ReAnna Horne. The family is now settled into their new home in Detroit thanks to the help of a local benefactor.

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ing — he really did a lot," Duhart said.

Schubling, a resident of both Charlevoix and Washington D.C., was in town giving turkeys and cash to needy families as he does every year.

He just happened to hear of the family's plight as he was readying to head back to D.C.

He stopped what he was doing and went to the family immediately.

He purchased the family a vehicle as they had had none before; he gave them money for food and other essentials and paid for hotel rooms until they could

find permanent residence.

"He even got them a U-haul and helped them into a nice four-bedroom house in a decent neighborhood down there," Duhart said.

"He said believes God put him on the earth to help people and I think he really is an angel."

Duhart said she really misses the children and hopes the family will come back to the area some day.

"I ask people continue to pray for them," she said.

Renee could not be reached for comment.

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A LOOK AT LIFE

Gayle Gennett

Check. Tree up and decorated? Check. Gifts dropped off to the Community Christmas project? Check. Money sent to Salvation Army? Check. End of the year tax donations sent? Check. Now it's time to settle in and plan a Christmas meal. Pizza sounds good right about now. I could always add a little parsley and cranberries to give it a festive look. Seems like this season

brings with it lots of extra work, particularly for women folk.

I'm not trying to bash the male species but for some reason women create more work for themselves and need to step back and lessen the load by sharing and not trying to make Christmas look like a television commercial.

I'm not certain how to answer the question, "Are you ready for Christmas?" No, I'm not ready for the holidays unless "ready" means I planned the perfect Martha Stewart dinner, purchased lots of presents, sent lots of cards and decorated the house to look like Better Homes and Garden.

"Yes," is the answer if I complete fewer things with more thought and don't add on extras that I'm reminded of through television and radio commercials.

In the last few years our focus has been to do less and help others.

Nephews and nieces were surprised when presents no longer became a priority and money and time spent on others in real need replaced our typical Christmas.

Fewer cards are sent and focus on family and friends have taken the form of visiting, attending an event or playing games.

Our activities bring us together without the focus of receiving a gift of anything other than love and attention.

I haven't forgotten little folk as they wouldn't understand so grandkids get one gift and not so expensive to put me over budget and worrying about how to pay for it next year.

Christmas is just a few days away and taking a brisk walk through our lovely town admiring the lights, our community Christmas tree and window displays beautifully created by caring hands is a treat. Caroling is making a comeback too as I've witnessed more groups and

friends getting together sharing their vocal talents.

I haven't lost the Christmas spirit thinking about things I should do, instead just reframed my thinking to do things I really enjoy doing.

I am not at the point where I feel the need to escape to swaying palms and sunny beaches for Christmas because it doesn't seem like Christmas to me without a little snow.

Ahem, I mentioned a little snow.

I would like a light and fluffy dusting reminiscent of a Norman Rockwell painting which on cue can melt shortly after New Years.

Shoveling gets old as well as cleaning off the car three times a day. My wipers stick to the window like a wet tongue on a cold steel pole.

I now remember to leave them up and exposed making my car look like a remote control toy but at least it works and saves the wipers.

Not wanting to fall onto a

patch of ice I've learned to wear boots with the tread of an army tank.

Not very attractive but a neck brace or cast would be less alluring.

Bundled in my hand knit scarf I brave the wintry breezes coming off the lake and join the mass of others who by reason of insanity, liking snow or can't afford to live elsewhere are going about their lives.

We wonder who we are waving hello to on most days as we all begin to look alike under all our get up.

It's easier to recognize someone by their car instead of facial features but even the cars have Mohawks of snow across their roofs and new dents and bruises from bumping off the sides of snow drifts making them unrecognizable as well.

Facemasks become the norm not only worn by robbers but by Northern Michigan residents staying off frostbite.

My heart is warmed by knowing I'm joined by others who accept the weather good or bad and make the most of it by spending time to visit and catch up.

Silly as it may seem, even though our lives can be eventful our conversations are usually about the weather.

Mine, however, include the birth of our new grandson who fortunately was delivered in the hospital and not by the Christmas tree.

He arrived during our strong winter blast which closed most schools and a few businesses.

I am grateful for a husband who didn't sleep but kept a car cleared of snow and aimed for the hospital at any given moment.

From our family to yours, may your Christmas be merry and bright and knowing it's OK to do less during the holidays so you'll sleep tight.

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Surviving Santa: Struggling with childhood memories



MORE OR LESS

Christine Gwidt

Every year at some point during the weeks before Christmas, my mom would get together with her sisters, lasso us kids, and we would all head

downtown to Smith-Bridgman's to see Santa. That venerable, and now defunct Flint department store on Saginaw Street was the place to shop. It had a soda fountain on the mezzanine where I chugged

Tall Texans - a bland, fizzy float that was too light on the chocolate syrup, but so big that I had to kneel on the lunch counter stool to reach the straw. It was in that eight-story retail emporium that a tweedy, brittle saleswoman told me, at age 12, that I was scrawny. I got my first bra in their lingerie department, and that is something I can never erase. But my most vivid memories of Smith-Bridgman's Department Store involve the yearly Santa sojourns.

My cousins were always wild with excitement. They memorized their lists and repeated them while we stood in line. "Chatty Cathy, Colorforms, two-wheeler," they chanted, rising up inside their boots to count how many kids were in front of us.

Standing in that line of children roasting in their snowsuits, I felt exactly the same way I did when

we had to line up in school for a vaccination. There, the nurse would quickly notice that I was pale and sweating, and whisk me to the front of the line like a gutless VIP. Post-inoculation, I was revived with cookies or orange juice.

But the attending elves in Smith-Bridgman's had no medical training. I was obliged to stand undiagnosed and wait forever to be placed upon the lap of a stranger. While my cousins crooned snatches of "Jingle Bells" and vibrated with repressed glee, I was fighting with my stomach for control of my breakfast.

The Santa was different every year. Sometimes his beard was straight and snowy white. Other years it was silver-grey and curly. His whiskery maw was stained yellow and damp with saliva. One year Santa wore square black-

framed glasses, like an accountant. None of them passed muster, and the annual ritual of confessing my gift list to these imposters seemed so wrong.

"I wrote him a letter," I told my mother, attempting to beg off. "I don't have to see him in person."

But the real prize was not the experience - it was the picture. Black and white five-by-sevens of the look on Santa's knee were snapped and packaged inside of festive holiday folders. My mom and all of my aunts collected them, so my participation was not optional.

The Santas seemed to sense my fragile state. Perhaps they'd had encounters with other nauseous tots that ended badly. Whatever the reason, they regarded me with a suspicion nearly equal to my own and spoke in whispery, un-Santa-like voices.

"What do you waaaaaant for Chrisssss'mas, little girl?" they hissed from inside the avalanche of white hair, their eyes recessed and glittering like a beast in a cave.

Who called anyone little girl? Villains, maybe. The Big Bad Wolf. That's it.

Delivered by my own mother into this peril, I was initially mute. I had to save myself and the quickest path to salvation involved articulating some believable patter to placate the creature and get him to set me down.

"Chatty Cathy. Colorforms, uh-hh," I bared my teeth in a conciliatory smile. "Two-wheeler." While he growled on this proper gander, I accepted his candy cane and bolted. Every year, my escape felt like a Christmas miracle.

But I'm glad I did it, because now I have the pictures. I stare

them with the tree ornaments and revisit them every year, although I know them all by heart.

They range from a chubby two-year-old staring with slack-jawed horror into the face of evil, to a savvy kid of seven who has perfected a glassy, faraway gaze and is ticking items off on her fingers. I find them interesting, the progression documenting an ability to adapt to that which I could not change. It's a talent that still comes in handy.

And now that I'm a sensible adult, I can see that these Santas were only human. One skinny guy is so lost in the costume that his head is eclipsed to the size of an almond. His slivered face is hapless and impossibly sad. I wish that he could have known that I'd never forget him.

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FAITHFUL SERVANT

Stephen Guthrie

I sat down to watch the films before I shipped the discs off. There I was, along with my younger sisters, childhood moments captured in time.

There were birthday parties and puppies, Easter outfits and graduations. And Christmas.

There were years of Christmas mornings, with presents under the tree and we kids still in our pajamas, unwrapping and demonstrating for the camera our new bicycles and dolls and record players and cowboy outfits.

As I watched I thought how, in those films, everything about Christmas seemed perfect.

The child waving to the camera didn't have a clue how hard life really was.

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trayal of Christmas is nothing like reality of our lives.

And as a counselor, I see in my office people for whom Christmas can become a season to be dreaded rather than anticipated, and endured rather than celebrated.

For many of us Christmas is a time when the failures in our lives become more pronounced, our regrets more profound.

Our cumulative mistakes seem to weigh more heavily on us when we celebrate a season in which all of life is supposed to be "good", whatever that means.

When we look at Christmas like it was a Norman Rockwell illustration, where everything is wholesome and fulfilling, we come away thinking everyone else's life is perfect and ours, by comparison, is a shambles of strained, sometimes shattered relationships.

Indeed, where old movies and television ads portray Christmas as a time when healthy, loving families gather to celebrate their bond and bestow expensive

gifts on one another, many of us dread having to spend even an evening with people for whom we have little affection.

Christmas reminds us that for many people families are made up of people with whom we would otherwise never associate.

Throw in a few close encounters with ex-spouses and their families and Christmas turns into a tense time.

If our vision of Christmas as a parent is to gather our children around us by the fire and recite the Night Before Christmas, then the reality of Christmas among today's fractured families can be a huge letdown.

For many divorced persons, the occasion only makes our failed marriages more regrettable and causes us to miss our children all the more.

And for those of us who are missing someone who has died, Christmas can be a time of renewed mourning.

When we imagine Christmas through the lens of

retail advertising, where great gifts abound for everyone, we are more likely to regard our shopping list as anemic in comparison.

Retail advertising, with all of its implied expectations, can lead us to a fresh encounter with our failures when we realize that between these tough times and our disappointing careers Santa is doomed to be a flop.

The reality for many of us is that Christmas, the way it is marketed and portrayed, presents an unattainable standard of abundance in every area.

For most of us, our lives rarely measure up to the season.

For many of us Christmas is an annual exercise in disappointment, an unwelcome reminder of loss and wounded relationships.

But for the person who has Christ in their heart Christmas never disappoints.

All the unflattering comparisons we can make between the idealized holiday season and the reality of

daily life isn't an issue for the committed believer.

For the believer Christmas is about something altogether different.

When the focus of Christmas is on the arrival of a savior and not Santa, joy comes from deep within that divine relationship.

There is no occasion for disappointment.

Do we have regrets and failures in our history? Of course.

But with our hand in the Savior's, we walk above our circumstances, now and throughout the year.

He carries the weight of our mistakes, and comforts us in our disappointments.

He's the Jesus who gets us through the holiday. Maybe that's why it's called CHRISTMAS.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services.

Stephen Guthrie's column "Faithful Servant" appears periodically in the pages of the Charlevoix Courier.

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COURTESY PHOTO

'He is a lineman for the county'

Nathan Kalush (left) wears the tool belt, pole-climbing spikes, and protective gear that Great Lakes Energy lineworker Tom Urman uses when working on a 7,200 volt power line. Urman was one of various people who discussed their jobs with students at last week's career day at Charlevoix Middle School.



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Jingle Bell Rock

This gaggle of clarinet players serenades a packed house of parents, students and extended family during the Thursday Dec. 17 Christmas Concert at Charlevoix High School.

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Helping the needy

Charlevoix Community Christmas Project volunteers Dick Bogart (from left) Mary Eveleigh and Carolyn Batdorf are pictured in front of a gymnasium full of toys, clothing, household supplies and food which was given to the needy last week. More than 220 families were helped for a total of 429 children. Despite a struggling economy and rampant unemployment, community donations to the project were up over last year.

PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS



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Big bear

Hunter Turner, 15, of Charlevoix, bagged this bear in the Upper Peninsula earlier this fall. The bear's weight dressed out was 321 lbs.

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The library will be closed for the holidays on Thursdays and Fridays Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1.

Open Mic Night

January 6, 6:30 pm

Back by popular demand, join in with local musicians Gordon Howe with his Ukulele for a 40 minute performance, followed by a "Music-in-the-Round" jam session. You will have a chance to play or perform. Just come to listen - either way is worth your while!

Ask the Techie!

January 7, 10 noon

Due to popular demand, the library is providing one on one help for basic computer questions. Need help organizing your desk top, or backing up your files? Library volunteer, Suzanne Gaultier will be on hand to assist. Please call for an appointment. 231-237-7340

French Lessons

Tuesdays, January 12 - February 9, 10:30 - 11:30

Have you just French? Designed for students who have taken a year or more of French, this class will include conversation, reading and writing. Instructors by Susan Kessler, 825-4456 or skessler@charlevoixlibrary.org

Le Cercle Français

Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:15 pm

Conversation, reading and writing. French conversation (circle) is an informal meeting of people interested in improving their French language proficiency. For beginners to more advanced. We help each other with pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar and often use free French language learning material available on the internet.

Writers Group

Wednesdays 6:00 pm

If writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Ms. Laura will read stories and music, learn finger plays and spend time with the children.

Monday Languages to an online language learning system for ages 8 and up. It tracks actual conversation skills for a wide variety of languages. Go to the library homepage from January 5 thru February 4 and look for Monday Languages to begin. This library trial of the online product, call us @ 237-7340 and ask us to begin a subscription.

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OBITUARIES

Patricia Ann Herriman: Aug. 29, 1940 - Dec. 16, 2009

Patricia Ann Herriman, 69, of Alanson and formerly of Charlevoix, died Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2009, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

Funeral was 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix, the Rev. Jim Jordan of the

Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan officiated.

Pat was born Aug. 29, 1940, in Croswell, the daughter of Jacob and Lucille (Rankin) Alexander.

On May 20, 1961, she married Duane L. Herriman in Port Huron. In 1963, they made their home in Charlevoix un-

til moving to Alanson in 2000.

Pat enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and gardening. She is survived by her husband Duane of Alanson; children, Mary Holm, Duane Herriman, Jr., and Kelly (Gary) Stebe;

all of Charlevoix, Nancy (Russell) Pawlowski of Petoskey, and Harold (Kar-

men) Herriman of East Jordan; grandchildren, Amy, Luke, Randy, Sa-

mantha, Chrystal, Christopher, Elizabeth, Gabrielle, Casandra, Alex, Emma, Alexandra, and Matthew;

great-granddaughter, Lillieanna; sisters, Louise (Leo) Catanzero of Florida, and Kathy (Michael) Kelley of Port Huron.

Donnis Ruby Minch: Sept. 24, 1924 - Dec. 20, 2009

Donnis was born near Oberlin, Kansas, in a sod house on the rolling prairie before moving to town when she was eleven.

Donnis met Edward Minch when she was thirteen and he was serving in the Civilian Conservation Corps.

They married April 22, 1940 when she was a sophomore at Decatur County High School. Ed and Donnis lived in Springfield, Missouri, when their only child, Larry Gene, was born on Oct. 4, 1941. Shortly thereafter Ed enlisted in the US Coast Guard and was overseas in the Pacific for thirty months. In

his absence, Donnis, only 20, took on the responsibility of Ed's three teen age step siblings, freeing them from an orphanage.

After the war USCG took them to St. Louis, New Orleans, Corpus Christi, Grand Haven, Cheboygan, Sturgeon Bay, Charlevoix, and Ludington.

Then Ed retired and they moved to Oberlin and Greeley, Colo., before moving to Mancelona, Michigan, in 1997.

Donnis moved to Sunny Bank Assisted Living in Charlevoix in 2007, where she made several new friends and enjoyed frequent family visits.

Donnis delighted in providing her family with crocheted creations and colorful beaded gifts.

She was preceded in death by her husband Edward in 1999, her sisters Lillian, Dorothy, Evelyn, and Genevieve, and her brothers Donald and Ivan and by her parents Russell Lemman and Anna (Pummer) Lemman.

She is survived by her son Larry, daughter-in-law Carolyn (Kohn), grandchildren Timothy (Pamela), Kevin (Bonnie) and Jennifer (Jamey) and great grandchildren, Andrew Calvin, Alyssa, Alexis, Maggie, Ryan, and Dylan Crowl.

She is, also, survived by her brother Russell Jr. Aunt Donnie was a favorite among her nieces and nephews and their families.

She was happiest at family gatherings and traveling with loved ones.

Donnis will be forever remembered by her favorite statement, "Let me have a hug."

Memorial services are scheduled for 4 p.m. on Jan. 3, 2010 at First Congregational, UCC, Charlevoix and in Oberlin, Kan., in May. Memorials may be directed to First Congregational, UCC, 101 State St., Charlevoix.

Violet "Vi" Hunter: Died Dec. 20, 2009

Violet "Vi" Hunter, aged 80 of West Michigan went to be with her Lord on Sunday, Dec. 20, 2009.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Hunter; seven brothers and sisters of whom she was the last surviving Madison family member.

She is survived by her children, Mark Hunter, Chris and Jeff Stevens, Victoria Trombly; 11 grandchildren, Conan C. Hunter, Angela V. Hunter, Jesse D. Hunter, Elaine A. Hunter, Ian J. Hunter, Sarah E. Hunter, Cheyenne J. Hunter, Brandon C. Stevens, Bailee J. Stevens, Hunter Owen

Trombly, Trevor Nolan Trombly; and many nieces and nephews. Vi was a loving wife, devoted mother and grandmother who took great pride in her children, grandchildren and family.

She was a faithful servant of the Lord and member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Cale-

donia. Private funeral services will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Arthritis Foundation, West Michigan Region, 3226 - 28th St. SE, Suite 1, Grand Rapids, MI 49512-1643.

Condolences may be sent online at www.mkd-funeralhome.com

LETTERS to the editor

LETTERS

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cially and educationally successful, and improve access to health services for all our neighbors.

All while continuing to support the basic and urgent services these challenging financial times demand.

In addition to providing support for basic and urgent needs, Char-Em United Way is also investing in longer-term solutions to help create long-lasting changes. We support financial literacy education for youth, early childhood education programs, health services, programs to keep senior

citizens independent, and much more. We are taking the lead to develop the Volunteer Connections program, bring the 2-1-1 information and referral system to our community, and expand public transportation solutions.

Our 2009-2010 Campaign goal is \$333,000, and we are now at the 60 percent mark. The Frey Foundation has offered an additional \$20,000 challenge if we make that goal. Last year, we were able to invest a record amount of funds into effective solutions to our community's most pressing problems. We

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LETTERS POLICY

Readers are encouraged to write letters to the editor addressing pertinent topics of community interest. The Courier editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters for length, correct grammar, libel and content.

Letters to the editor must be signed by the author, and the name of the author will appear with published letters. Letters should only have one author, but we will accept up to three separate signatures on a letter. We do not publish unsigned letters.

Letters should be typed, double-spaced, and not exceed 450 words. The deadline for letters is 5 p.m. the Friday before publication.

An address and daytime phone number should accompany the letter for verification purposes.

Send letters to: Charlevoix Courier, P.O. Box 117, Charlevoix, MI 49720, fax to (231) 547-4992 or e-mail at news@charlevoixcourier.com

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Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Mike Wray 547-4438

BARNARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2000 1st Street
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Pastor: Ray Penick 536-2161

BELLFLOWER REFORMED CHURCH
1813 Church Road, Ellsworth
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Reverend Kevin Karhoff

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
11406 US-31 North
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Rev. Michael L. Reischer 547-9446

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
15555 M-46
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: James D. Green 547-4300

CHARLEVOIX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
184 State Street
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Todd Thompson 547-2654 or 5164

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2411 1st Street at Clinton
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Church Office 547-4322
Rev. John S. Davis

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
211 1st Union Street
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5711

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
1411 N. Main
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:30 a.m.
Family Home Evening 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Michael Robbins 547-6152 or 6153

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
1201 W. Huribut Rd. (Corner of U.S. 31)
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Dan Gilmore 547-5711

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD
201 W. Huribut
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Pastor: Neil Turner 547-7875

COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH
of Charlevoix
Hwy 31 & Meets - Charlevoix
Church Office 547-9482

ELLSWORTH CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
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Sunday School 11:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
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Realtor of the year

Realtor Kim Hejka was awarded Realtor of the Year by the Antrim/Charlevoix/Kalkaska Board of Realtors during their regular meeting on Friday Dec. 18.

EJ tops in Quiz Central

The East Jordan Red Devils out-quizzed the Montabella Mustangs on the academic quiz-show "Quiz Central."

The match ended with the Red Devils' Blue Division First Round Game over the Mustangs by the final score of 210 to 110.

Division champions will be awarded four \$2,500 one-year scholarships to Central Michigan University.

The East Jordan Red Devils team players are: Tyler Hines, Brian Gardner, Sara Robinson, Jacob Kovel, Renee Evans, Hannah Oliver and Michelle Shepard.

Tune in at 7:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, Dec. 23 for the next episode.

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Hefty haul

Jim Wilson of Charlevoix shot this 30-point non-typical buck near the Fife Lake area.



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'Tis the Season to Shop Local First

Christmas is just days away! With a daunting to-do list & a dwindling timeline, it seems impossible to accomplish everything. However, the Chamber has a solution: Shop Local First. Below are the top 10 reasons to Shop Local First.

1. Significantly More Money Re-Circulates in Charlevoix
2. Non-Profits Receive Greater Support
3. Unique Businesses Create Character & Prosperity
4. Environmental Impact is Reduced
5. Most New Jobs are Provided By Local Businesses
6. Better Customer Service
7. Public Benefits Far Outweigh Public Costs
8. Local Business Owners Invest in the Community
9. Competition & Diversity Leads to More Consumer Choices
10. Investment in Charlevoix is Encouraged

Charlevoix is known as "Charlevoix the Beautiful," shopping local first enables the community to continue this tradition & maintain its unique, captivating self. So before you take a road trip to Traverse City or Ebay, stroll the sidewalks of Charlevoix & Shop Local First.



December 25
January 1
January 5
January 6
January 9
January 9

Christmas Day
New Year's Day
Managing Your PC at Charlevoix Public Library
Wellness Wednesday at Charlevoix Hospital
Fiddlers & Pickers Day
Saturday Family Story Time

DECEMBER

Santa Letters

from Charlevoix Elementary 1st Graders



Dear Santa Claus,
Ples give me a little helcobder
that can care a jep. And a bot
to. Ples give me it ples.
Love, Phi

Dear Santa Claus,
I wood like a Dsl for Crismis ples
and a ponee for Crismis too and
mabe a cute dres too. Santa
ples Santa ples.
Shserty, Willow

Dear Santa
Oh I want for Christms is a laPtop.
I havant said thanck you for my a
awifit from last Christms.
Love, Karlssa

Dear Santa Claus
I wot a moter suekle ples and
I wot a dri buke ples and sun
games.
Love, Troy Harmon

Dear Santa,
I love Santa. can I Ples have a
barbe.
Love, Kylie Williams

Dear Santa,
I like the gifts you gave me last
year. This year I rilly want a bunny
and a cage and food for it. I'd
love a new waterbottle and a
letter back.
Love, Madeline

Dear Santa Claus
I wot a par uv Rirsdkas to ride
with my DaD and a DS. I wud rlie
like a ipod to play with my friend.
Love Izabel Frey

Dear Santa Claus,
I wot a Ds and a laptop and zhu
zhu pets and Santa aringx and
a Gtoar and a clipboud and the
charley broon chrey.
Love Hanna to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I have ben good and this what I
want. I want a rele papee And
I want a rele horse. And I want
a ghee pig. And I want a weft.
And I want a campyoot. And I
want a microscope.
Love, Annabel

Dear Santa
can I have a mettid mushen that
melts crayons in to a noo crayon.
And a mine cake mushen.
Shsrite, Emily B

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a IPod. I Lso want a DS
that is blue and blak gi gos and
a Bat man toy. And that is all I
want.
Love Masen

Dear Santa Claus,
Things for giving me things that
make me happy. And this year I
want nufing. And I do not know
who got me the Braby girl gtar.
Love, Margaret

Dear Santa
Thank you for the mett detektor
you got me last yer. I want the
Yo-Yo that you used in the past.
Love, Cam

Dear Santa Claus
I wot a DS with mreo catl and
give me a Lecrich toosbrush!
Love Ryan

Dear Santa,
Thanks for giving me a thing
that you pante. And I rilly want a
DSI that gese on the enternet. It
would be grate for webtknz! And
I wantS a Jr. archiry set. Ples
and you are the best toy maker
ever! And I rilly want a DSI game.
Thank you!
Love, your friend Matt Kage

Dear Santa Claus,
Thack you Santa Claus because
you gived me a swim to me
puppy. My swim to me puppy
neiss new baderys so ples give
me and my famaly sun new
baterys.
Love, Emily O

Dear Santa,
You are the best frend!!! I want
to have a ride on rudolf's back.
We will leave you and rudolf some
ckookes.
Love, Andrea

Dear Santa,
you are a grat prsh. All I want is
a pladeo ise crem macr and a
glo in the dark pen onley gese on
ene thing eitsegf papr. I and mom
and evan will leve you and Rudolf
sun coockes and Rudolf a carit.
lov Grace!

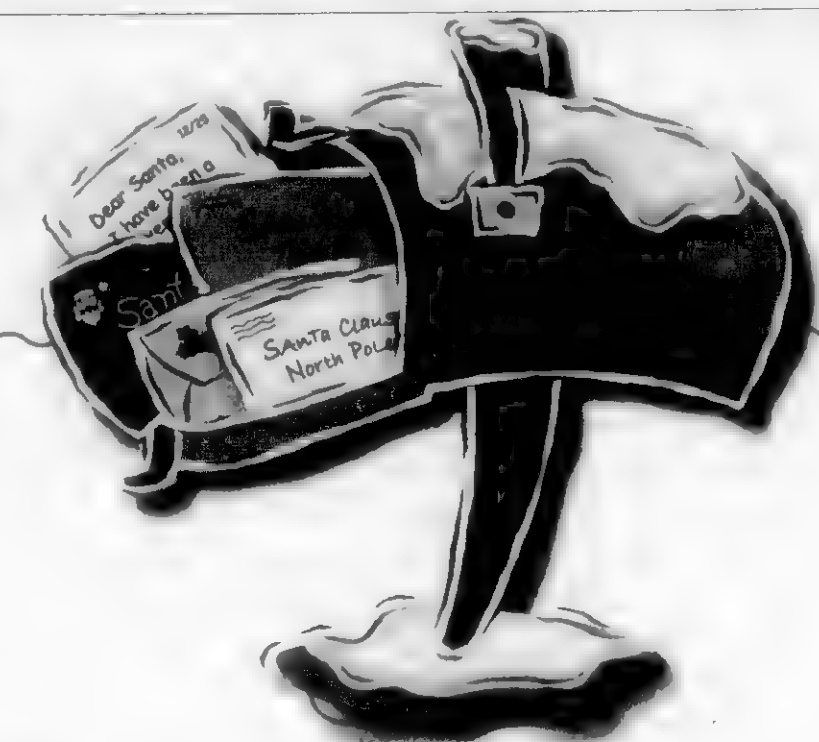
Santa Claus
I want a gold bike. Santa I wish
I can ride your raindeer. Santa
I really really want a Barby doll.
Love Pua

Dear Santa,
I want to ride on your slay and I
want to ride on Blisin. I want to
be your elf and I want a snombel
that gos nhetefive!
You are the best Love Landon

Dear Santa,
I want to ride your slae. Please! I
want a bick and Ia wil A baby tor
for my baby brutr.
From Jacy Russile

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I want to ride Blitzen. I want a
saunbule.
Love Scotty

Dear Satna,
You are the best!!! Can you giv
me the best crismus ever!!! I
whish I can have the moste
presents!!! From
Madelyn Sadnson

Dear Santa,
I want the cran maker and I
want a craola sootcase.
I love you.
From Luke Sarya

Dear Santa,
You are so cool!!! I want to rid
on roodof. I want to ride on yor
sla. I want to ride on yor sla two
tims.
Love Paige Prevo

Dear Santa Clause
I want my familly to have the
best christmas evr. Next I want
a doll hows for me and my sister.
love Sophia Boss

Dear Santa,
I want to ride on your sleigh it
will be fun and what I want for
christmas is a ds and a wll. I
also want star wars pepole and
a reemote chntroe helicopter.
With a camru on it.
love, Mark Rozema

Dear Santa,
I want to ride rodalf the rednos
dear!!!
Love Tanner Langley

Dear Santa,
I want for chrmas a ds game

cold Maryo and Luege Bowser;s
inside store. Allsoe a nerf gun.
The one that has 35 britts.
Love, from Brandon Schwenke

Dear Santa,
I relly want to ride on Rudolf's
back so much that I can yell.
Do you like cookies and mlke?
Love Damien Lewellen

Dear Santa,
I want a hors for crismis! Can
I ride in your sled santa? I am
goeing to lev cookies and mlk!!
Love Palse Henry

Dear Santa
I want to ride on your randire.
I hope you like the cookies and
giv roodof a appl.
From Trenton

Dear Santaclos
I want a D.S and you are the
best! I want to ride your slayell!
I will leave you cookest
Love Lauren From Lauren

Dear Santa,
I have ben vareey good. I am
gowing to tell you wut I want
this year. I want an randboow
machine and a American girl
doll. An nintendo DSI and a clay
machine and webtkins. I want
mary thing, but you can giv me
the rest. How old are you and
mrs. claus. Ylve do you have
eight reindeer!
Love samantha

Hi Santa,
I like you. Thak you for bring
us presins. Doo you go don the
chimde?

love caleb

Dear Santa,
how old are youl I am 6. I now
wut I want from you. I want a
D.S. I kant wat for chrismis to
cum. Wut is it like mared? I love
the toys you bring, they are
vare vare wikcid. I wnt a
wepckin a hores wepckin.
Love from yor frend, Zoe.

Dear Mistr Santa cios,
I like yer red sno soot and your
christmas hat and ples get my
a toy name negltron.
Love, Jordan

Dear Santa,
can I git a noow chap stick for
clismis? I want American girl
doll ples sata. In my stoeing
mabe you will put it in my
stocking and a fuse bar with a
bow in hr har.
Hape christmas, frum lauren

Dear Santa,
I want a wll and webtkins and
tv and D.S. and Smilev and wll
gamse and snow board adn
bakugon. I want five.

Dear Santa,
How mence afs do you hav? I

love you. How old are your afs?
Pleas santa I wot a amecan girl
doll.
Love, Ella

Dear Santa,
I no your woching me. I want a
noo boyke and a noo tetybare
whith a bow on her hed. How
old are you santa? Is Rudlph
real santa? Yes or no? dos he
rily have a red nos santa? I'm
gesing no santa but maybe he
does. Marry christmas.
Love ondreya

Dear Santa,
how mence is Rudolph? I wot a
snowbel for my birthday. It is
on Christmas. I bin a grat boy.
Love, Elliott

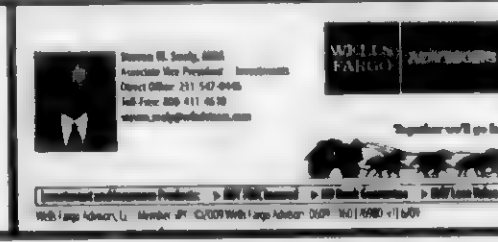
Dear Santa,
when I ment the roteyow horus
I ment was american girl doll
horus. Jest to let you no that my
dogs name is comet. I bet that
yor comet is jest the same. I
want one clay machine. love,
Sophie



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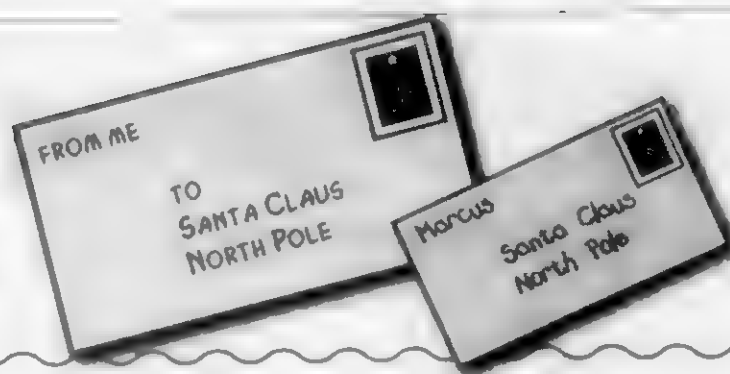
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Dear Santa, crims is arowd the comr, sonw is on the growd wut wood you wut if you wer a cid. I wunder how mene children's presnts, you are sow bise. Love Rachel

Dear Santa, I have ben vareey good, I am going to tell you what I want this year. I want an Nintendo DSI and an American girl doll and an new webkins and a clay machine and a rainbow machine. Love, Reylin

Dear Santa, For christmas I wood like a pare of brown skechrs. What das Rudolph look like? I wood like a american girl for christmas. What das your wife look like? Love your friend, Alison

Dear Santa, for christmas will you asc won of yor elfs to mac a vawlon blastr and a stawr wors logo sest and a Msu basct ball hoop. And a fac camping set. ples santa claws. Love, Jacob Beaudoin

Dear Santa, I want a snugy and fish oply, amarch girl doll stuf, grose lspeemint thing, noow snugy pjams, ds, a webkins that is blak tad, and a American girl doll Jodly. Joolys fondoo set and her bunny. How is the elf dooing? Love your friend Lily

Dear Santa can I please Glt a good toy and can I please and can I please Glt a biusor. can I please robt moma can I please Love, Zachary Ransom

Dear Santa I want Christmas to be here for evr. for Chistms I rkea want Dkces for chistms and a hourg a facoe one. I llove Santa. Love Analoe MCP herson

Dear Santa Love Christmas Eve how is your rain bear Is your rain bear is it sick or not sick how tis North Pole I love Santa. and I want toy. Love Liam Rathjens

Dear Santa I wantatrans lormers I wantpintEnoo Elijgh Clprk

Dear Santa I am wardea how your reindeer are. is the North pole clod. I wish that I glt to goo to the North Pole is it fonthar. is the edls area fun. I love Christs. Love Paige carson

Dear Santa I riley want a des and a tadole desl. Howl are the reindeer doing. Howl are the alfs. love Santa love Jacob Kemer Deyoung

Dear Santa is Rudolph slk yes oday. can I please have a ldsno moeland. a bueyck and a sled ples. Love C.J. Schoolcraft

Dear Santa do you have a relYandeer cold Rudolph how are you in the North pole santa is it cid owl Sid I love you snia. Love Rachelle Veal

Dear Santa is Rudolph's Nos stil britt is he sick I please Riley want a puppey I am safing my Muneey I want a puppey To and a breifend Duck I love puppeys can you do it Maby yes no Love Annie Bergmann

Dear Santa how is it in the Noth Pole is it kod in the Noth pole is it chile in the Noth Pole Ken I have a iniche mopski love Jacob m mueller

Ken I have a eot cot and can I have a eof cot Love, Jacob Mueller

Dear Santa are the reindeers ok are they silke do they hav the floowe are they soopra slkc I hopp they are ok so much. I want rell tellfon and a b Sil I evih want a frau rell fendd thas a dog that sileps for rell and that is oll Love, Serenty Gullings



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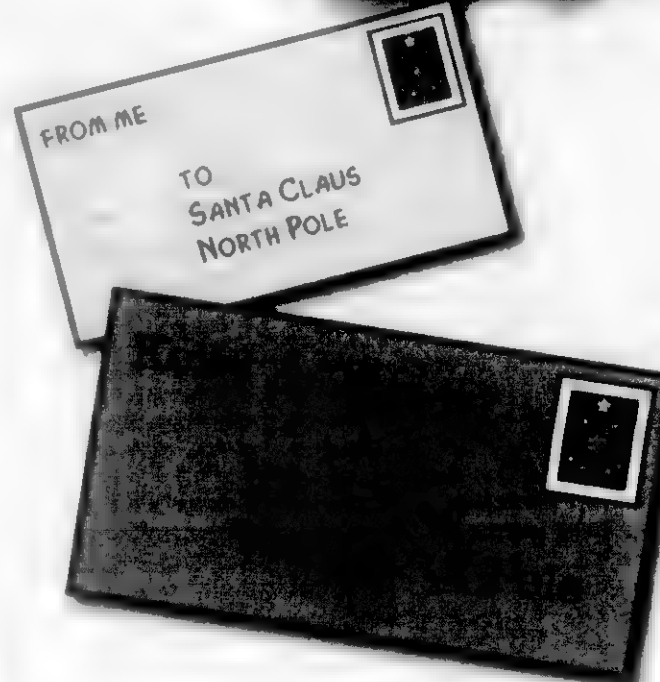
Dear Santa how are reindeer dooing. Are reindeer sick. How is Rudolph doing. How are you I love Chrimsas. I want toys. Love Lilian Murray

Dear santa how are your rain deer are they sic do they have a cod. is itbise up there in the north pole. frum Ben Howard

dear Santa How is the North Pole I hop you will Breing me los of present I hop you will fill my stocking I will e doimo what I want for christmas Love Kelsey Smith xxxxxxxxxx

Dear Santa do you like christmas are you hapey. I am hapey too. I like christmas how is the present's going. do you like me Santa Claus. I like you Love, Brianna Willis

Dear Santa How are all the reindeer doing? How is Mrs. claus doing? Are the elfs working hard? How is Ruddph doing? Is it bzy at the North pole? Do not tel me what you will bring me. all I want for christmas is a ntendo dsl. Love, your friend Kate Klingner



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from Northwest Academy

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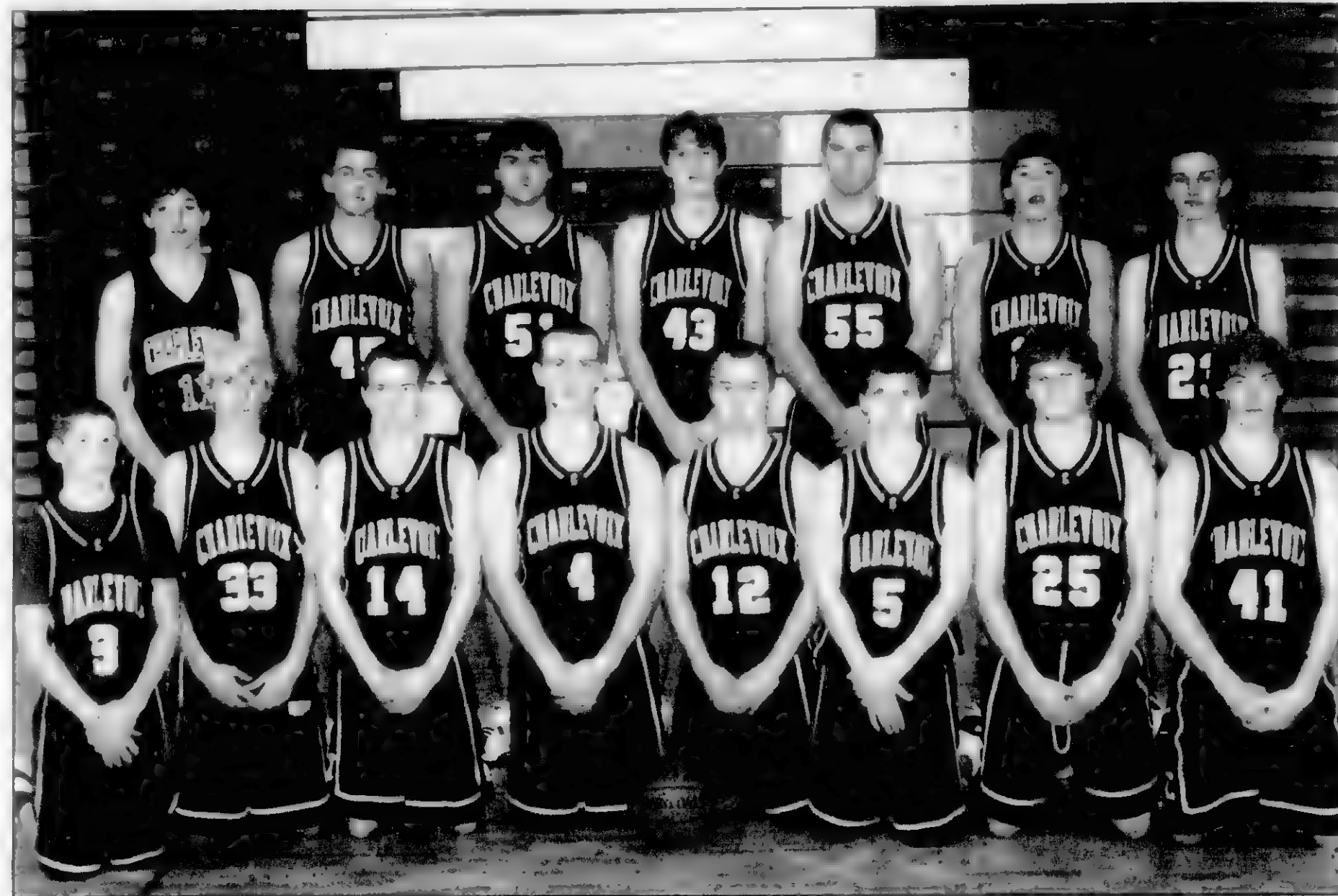
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Boys varsity basketball team. Pictured are (back, from left) Joe Filipiak, Ty Jones, Matt Murray, Brennan Ackerman, Bill Ivan, Dylan Putman, Andrew Plude, (front, from left) Keagan Lablance, Boog Nichman, Tom Rich, Casey Helstrom, Clayton Mitchell, Matt Kiooster, Ben Myers and Wyatt Drost.

Varsity boys' ready for action

RAYDER BASKETBALL LOOKING TO IMPROVE

BY BENJAMIN GOHS
EDITOR

Now with two losses under their belts, the Charlevoix Rayders boys' varsity basketball team is looking to improve.

Head coach Keith Haske

said the loss of some seasoned seniors has left him with a really young team.

"We are really going to suffer through some growing pains," he said.

"But, I have great faith we will end up being a really great basketball team it just may take awhile to get there."

While he has a couple strong seniors, Haske said

"I really enjoy our kids and think they've been working hard. It's a matter of bringing it all together."

KEITH HASKE,

RAYDERS VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH

he must look to developing the entire team from top to bottom.

"I think we're going to rely heavily on our un-

derclassmen this year," he said. "They're really going to have to step up and learn what it is to be varsity players."

Tough competition down the road the Rayders will face includes last year's rival McBain, to whom the Rayders lost in last year's regional finals.

"I think the most important thing is to play games," Haske said.

"Rebounding has been our weakest area, and we'll continue to work on that."

If the Rayders stand a chance at improving on last year's record of 19-5, it could be the 26-year veteran coach Haske who leads the team there.

"I'm just excited," he said.

"I really enjoy our kids and think they've been working hard. It's a matter of bringing it all together."

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It pays to belong.



Rayder girls' varsity basketball team. Pictured (back, from left) are Madison Way, Sarah Potter, Lynzie Gotshall, Katie Mays, (front, from left) Taylor Storm, Taylor Smith, Jenna Way and Hannah Hybl.

Varsity girls rich in young talent

CHARLEVOIX GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAMS RELOADS FOR 2009-10

BY BRIAN BEAUPIED
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For a roster rich with upperclassmen, Charlevoix High School girls' basket-

ball coach Bret Erskine doesn't necessarily feel he has an older or more experienced team.

"It's a work in progress, we're trying to retool and get in basketball shape," said Erskine, whose team was a perfect 14-0 in winning the Lake Michigan Conference championship last season and finished 21-4, bowing to eventual

"It's a work in progress. We're trying to retool and get in basketball shape."

BRET ERSKINE,

CHARLEVOIX GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH

state runner-up McBain in a Class C regional final. "We have a lot of upperclassmen but we're not necessarily older or more experienced. We lost eight seniors from last year, so it'll all be

Seniors Sarah Potter, Madison Way, Taylor Storm and sophomore Jenna Way return, and are joined by a quartet of junior newcomers.

Erskine said he hopes his players are quick learners as it is going to be a trial by fire for his first-year juniors who he expects will see a lot of playing time.

"I think we'll be a lot better

ter at the end of the year than in the beginning," he said. "We're learning every day and we want to peak at the end of the year."

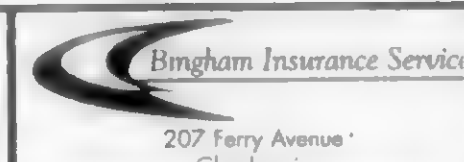
Regular-season success is nice, but it's the end of the year that really matters, Erskine said.

"I keep telling the team that the season is just like having 20 scrimmages," he said.

Good Luck Rayders!



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Rayder wrestling team. Pictured (back, from left) manager Amber Trudeau, Justin Kenvobiskise, Andrew, Alex Wehe, Chris Levens, Jacob Roach, Clay Heise, Justin Farmre, David Left, (front, from left) Ryan Penfold, Chris Kele, Greg Bishaw, Marc Durkee, Curtis Russel, Miles Kerr and Austin Themm.

Rayder wrestlers ready to rumble

COACH GOLOVICH WRESTLES WITH YOUNG TEAM

BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Now well into the 2009-2010 wrestling season, Charlevoix Rayders coach Craig Golovich is looking to motivate his young team.

The Rayders began the season with a full team filling ev-

ery weight class until Golovich's 290-pound heavy weight quit at the last minute.

"We've always struggled to fill weights, which is why it was so great that we had 'em all full," he said.

"But, he just didn't want to do the work."

Golovich added, "So many teams are not full. We have not faced somebody yet that had not had all their weights."

Unless they can find a heavyweight to fill the slot,

"We might not be the best technical team, but if we can keep them in good condition and they can go six minutes and still have gas, we can win matches."

CRAIG GOLOVICH,
RAYDER WRESTLING COACH

the Rayders will automatically lose points in that category at each meet.

Now coach Golovich must rely on the rest of his weight classes to do well in upcoming

meets.

"Conditioning is the big thing. Last week I seen a couple guys die in the third," he said. "In 19 years we've won a lot of matches our kids

had no business winning, but they were in shape. And, guys lose wind and if you've got the wind it's like a horse race — win by outlasting 'em."

Golovich said some of his talent to watch for includes Jacob Roache at 215 pounds, Chris Kele at 160 pounds, Ryan Penfold at 130 pounds and senior Jordan Farmer.

This year's team has five sophomores and three freshmen and a lot of potential.

"It's just a matter of getting

the guys motivated," Golovich said. "We just took runner up at the Mancelona Invitational last Saturday (Dec. 5). We lost by 4 points to Rudyard and we took second."

Golovich said he will continue to push the fundamentals of wrestling and working on conditioning.

"We might not be the best technical team, but if we can keep them in good condition and they can go six minutes and still have gas, we can win



2009 Rayder cheer squad

The Charlevoix Rayders cheer squad are pictured (back, from left) Alena Purvis, Lindsay Laway, Jordan Dixon, (front, from left) Madison Alden, Kelsey Decoster, Haile Bills, Erika Smith and, not pictured, Karinne Smolenyak.

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Junior varsity girls' basketball

The 2009 Charlevoix Rayders junior varsity girls' basketball team is pictured. Shown are (back, from left) Emily White, Baile Stevens, Megan Peters, Lauren Bartling, Nicole Pischner, Cristin Cole, (front, from left) Kelsey Way, Kelly Greyerblehl, Sydney Carlson, Ale Lopez and Anna Moon.

Rayder freshman basketball

The freshman girls' basketball team is shown. Pictured are (front, from left) Crystal Batdorff, Karley Pearsall, Mandi Lemanski, Cassie Bonar, Rachel Shull, (back from left) Mauri Brandt, Anna Way, Katie Hylal, Paige Ager, Alaska Dhaseler and Megan Cless.

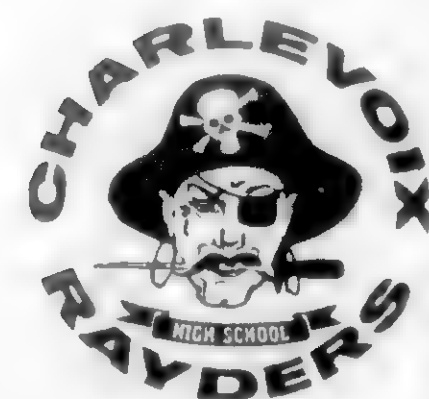
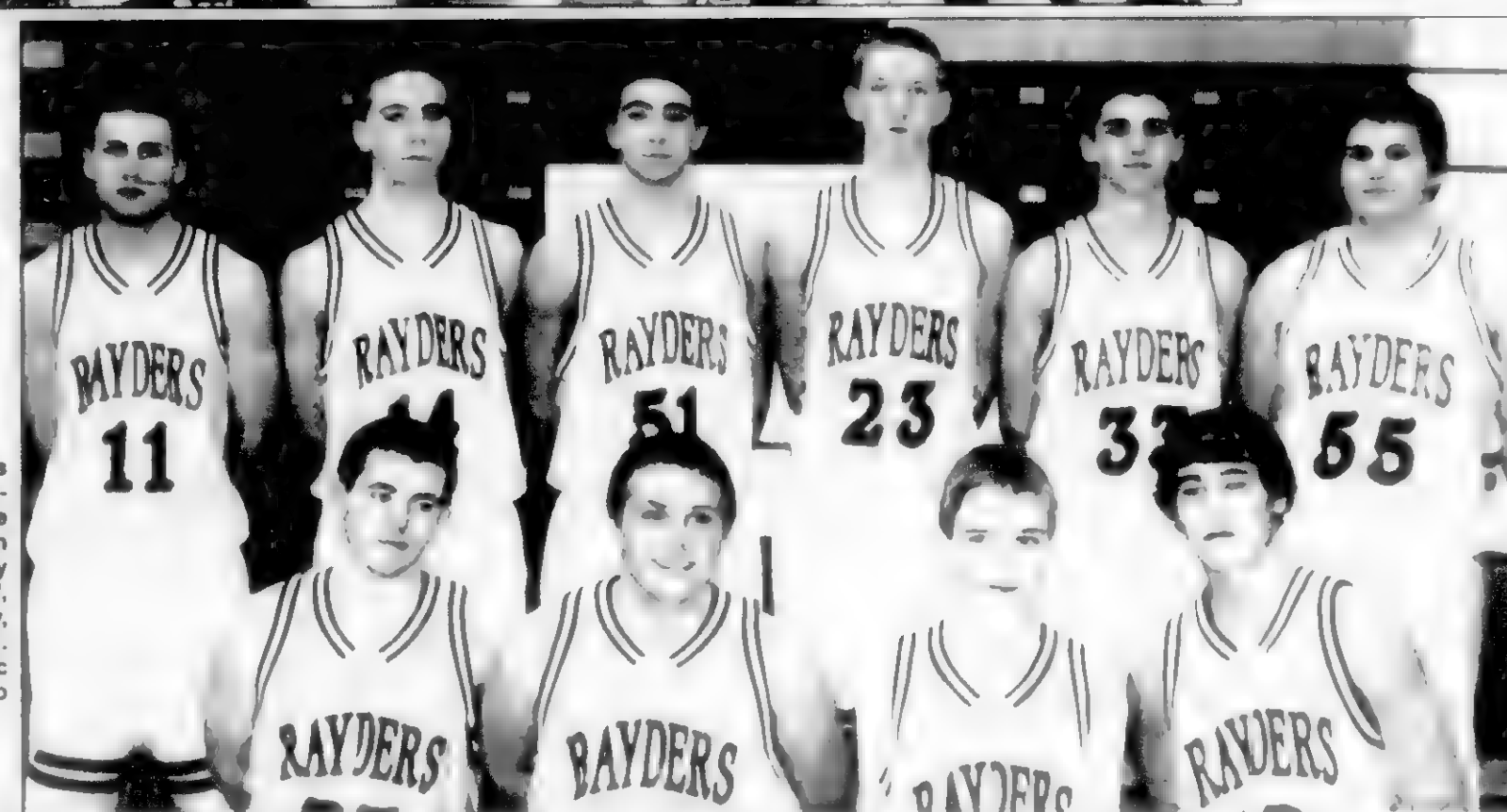


2009 Rayder freshmen basketball

Boys' freshman basketball 2009. Pictured are (back, from left) Tanner Calt, Justin Fiskine, Tommy Zapp, Drew Seymour, Sawyer Russell, Deran Drahl, Addison Anstutz, (front, from left) Charlie Hamilton, Jared Reibel, Joe Rich, Chandler Novotny, Ian Cavender and Connor Furlkerson.

Junior varsity basketball

Charlevoix Rayders junior varsity boys' basketball team. Pictured are (back, from left) Jordan Jones, Jesse Drost, Coby Herriman, Matt Batdorff, Will Jeskie, Steven Belfy, (back, from left) T.J. Currier, Nolan Ager, Isaac Klooster and Andrew Potter.



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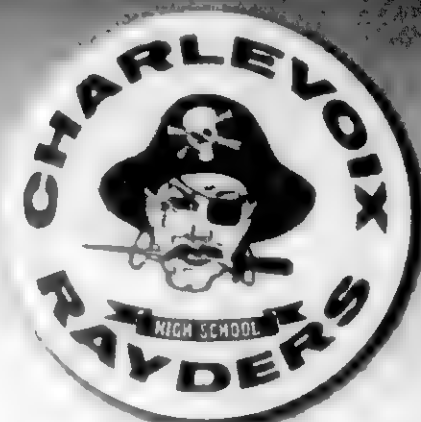
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Tue 12/15/09	● Gaylord High School	7:30PM
Sat 12/19/09	● Traverse City St. Francis HS	7:30PM
Tue 01/05/10	● Suttons Bay High School	7:30PM
Fri 01/08/10	● Boyne City High School	7:30PM
Fri 01/15/10	● Kalkaska High School	7:30PM
Tue 01/19/10	● Elk Rapids High School	7:30PM
Fri 01/22/10	● East Jordan High School	7:30PM
Tue 01/26/10	● Harbor Springs High	7:30PM
Fri 01/29/10	● Grayling High School	7:30PM
Mon 02/01/10	● Petoskey High School	7:30PM
Fri 02/05/10	● Traverse City St. Francis HS	7:30PM
Tue 02/09/10	● Boyne City High School	7:30PM
Fri 02/12/10	● Kalkaska High School	7:30PM
Tue 02/16/10	● Elk Rapids High School	7:30PM
Fri 02/19/10	● East Jordan High School	7:30PM
Tue 02/23/10	● Harbor Springs High School	7:30PM
Fri 02/26/10	● Grayling High School	7:30PM
Tue 03/02/10	● Cheboygan Area High	7:30PM
Mon 03/08/10	● DISTRICTS	TBA
Wed 03/10/10	● DISTRICTS	TBA
Fri 03/12/10	● DISTRICTS	TBA
Mon 03/15/10	● REGIONALS	TBA
Wed 03/17/10	● REGIONALS	TBA
Thu 03/25/10	● Semi-Finals	TBA
Sat 03/27/10	● State Finals	TBA

BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

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Teacher authors second children's book

CAROL R. SULLIVAN
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Nicole Sterrett loves children.

An avid reader, Sterrett spends her days teaching second grade at Charlevoix Elementary School and mothering her four young children.

And, in her spare time, over the past three years she has authored and published two books for children.

"I love watching kids grow. I really enjoy being in the schools and teaching them and showing them things they need to know," Sterrett said.

"I guess that's where the idea came from for recycling in our curriculum and I found it really difficult to help the kids with that... there was not a lot of age appropriate material out there."

A self-proclaimed

"As I was working on the first book I had some ideas about not just recycling, but things that kids could do to be more green and earth-friendly."

NICOLE STERRETT,
CHARLEVOIX SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY TEACHER

cling nut, Sterrett was eager to find a means to share her love for the earth and the environment with her students.

In her quest for an appropriate educational book she came up empty handed.

"The logical solution seemed to be to write one myself," Sterrett said. "I never really had plans to write a book, it all came

Sterrett's first book, *Let's Save Our Planet You Can Plan It!* is really more a guide to conserving energy, cutting down on our carbon footprint, conserving natural resources and respecting the environment."

The childlike drawings

The second book, Nicole explains, was a logical and natural companion to the first book.

"As I was working on the first book," Sterrett explained, "I had some ideas about not just recycling but things that kids could do to be more green and earth friendly, and it lent itself perfectly to a second book."

She added, "Let's Save Our Planet You Can Plan It!" is really more a guide to conserving energy, cutting down on our carbon footprint, conserving natural resources and respecting the environment."

and illustrations present the ideas and concepts in a easy to understand and child friendly way.

"It is all geared toward children and written specifically for their age level," Sterrett said.

While eager to get her books into the public market, for the time being, Sterrett is thrilled to have informative, usable and child friendly material to use in educating her students.

"Other teachers have used the books in their classrooms as well," Sterrett said.

"It's really a great feeling of accomplishment. I am thrilled that people are able to use it."

For more information or to purchase one of Sterrett's books contact Charlevoix Elementary at 547-3215 or visit www.xlibris.com.

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PHOTO BY CAROL SULLIVAN

Charlevoix Elementary School teacher Nicole Sterrett shows off two children's books she has written.

Boyne City American Legion veteran of the month

The "Veteran of the Month" for December 2009 is Eugene Raymond Belford.

Born on Nov. 30, 1918 in Peoria, Ill., Belford completed the eighth grade in Duncan, Ill. and left school in 1931 to do farm work to help support their family during The Great Depression.

In 1937 he went to Boyne City, Mich. and enlisted in The Civilian Conservation Corps.

Belford was assigned to Camp Ludington, where he worked for three months, building trails in a National Park and was then transferred to Camp Ocqueoc, west of Rogers City, where



Belford

he built and graded fire lanes, fought forest fires and drove trucks.

His final assignment was at Camp Wolverine where he worked as a utility-man until discharged in 1939.

Belford returned to Illinois and farmed until the fall of 1939 when he returned to Boyne City going to work as a truck driver.

On Aug. 22, 1940, in Boyne City, Belford married Ruby May Fitzpatrick

and in 1942 he went to work at Howes Leather Company as a leather sorter.

On May 9, 1944 Belford was inducted into the Army entering into active service at Fort Sheridan, Ill. and following basic training, where he qualified with the M1 rifle and was awarded The Sharpshooter Medal, and attending specialty training, he was assigned to The Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division.

On Oct. 22, 1944, Belford departed the USA arriving in the European Theater of Operations on Nov. 2, 1944, where he participated in battles and campaigns in The Ardennes, The Rhineland and Central Europe.

Returning home, Belford went to work for Hodgkins & Douma Incorporated in 1946 where he worked his way up to Construction Foreman before retiring in

1987. Belford enjoyed woodworking, gardening, shopping for groceries, Saturday morning sessions with his friends at the local coffee shop and interacting with his family and friends.

On July 27, 2009, Belford answered the final call and is being honored by his wife Ruby and family.

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Thursday, Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Service. Carolling @ 6:30 with reception following the service in the fellowship hall

Charlevoix United Methodist Church

104 State St. (231)547-2654
Rev. Todd Thompson, Pastor

Wednesday, Dec. 24th - 7pm & 11 pm - Candlelight Service

Community Reformed Church

100 Oak Street, Charlevoix

(231)547-9482

Sunday, Dec. 20th - 7:00 p.m. Advent Communion Service (Nursery available)

Thursday, Dec. 24th - Christmas Eve Candle Light Services at 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. "God Has Spoken By His Son" (Nursery available at the 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. services)

Sunday, Dec. 27th - Sunday worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery available)

Sunday, Jan. 3rd - Sunday worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery available)

First Congregational United Methodist Church of Christ

101 State Street, Charlevoix
(231) 547-9122

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 7pm - Christmas Eve Family Worship Service

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 11pm - Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 11 am - Morning worship service with a coffee fellowship to follow.

St. Mary of the Assumption

1003 Bridge St. 231-547-6652
Fr. Jerry Hunko, Pastor

Thursday, Dec. 24 - 4 pm - Christmas Eve Mass - 3:30 pm Christmas Carols

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 9 pm - Christmas Vigil Mass - 8:30 pm Christmas Carols

Friday, Dec. 25th - 9 am - Christmas Day Mass

HARBOR SPRINGS**First Presbyterian Church**

7940 Cemetery Rd. (231)526-7332
Rev. Jim Pollard

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 5 pm - Family Worship Service

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 9 pm - Candlelight Worship with carols, bells and choirs. Rev. Jim Pollard preaching.

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 10 am - Rev. David Van Dam preaching.

Holy Childhood of Jesus Church

150 West Main Street - (231)526-2017
Rev. Joseph P. Graff

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 5 pm - Vigil Mass (arrive early)

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 9:30 pm - Vigil Mass (music program 1/2 hour before mass)

Friday, Dec. 25th - 11 am

Saturday, Dec. 26th - 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Thursday, Dec. 31st - 5 pm - Vigil Mass

Friday, Jan. 1st - 9 am

Saturday, Jan. 2nd - 5 pm

Sunday, Jan. 3rd - 8:30 am and 11:00 am

HOLIDAY

Worship Directory

These local houses of worship welcome you in this holiday season.

HARBOR SPRINGS (contd.)**Harbor Springs United Methodist Church**

343 E. Main St., Harbor Springs
231-526-2414
Pastor Kathy Cadarette

Sunday, Dec. 21 - 11 am - Worship with choir cantata

Thursday, Dec. 24 - 7 pm - Candlelight service. Special music by Jamie Platt. Message by Pastor Kathy Cadarette and Pastor Dave Cadarette of Hilltop Fellowship of Petoskey.

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 11 am - Worship with Pastor Kathy's message, "They Grow Up So Fast."

INDIAN RIVER**Cross in the Woods**

7078 M-68 231-238-8973

Sunday, Dec. 20th - 4 pm - Lessons and Carols

Monday, Dec. 21st - 7 pm - Penance Services

Thursday, Dec. 24 - 4:30 pm - Vigil Mass

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 8 pm - Solemn Mass

Friday, Dec. 25th - 10:30 am - Mass Only

Saturday, Dec. 26th - 4:30pm - Mass

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 8:30 am & 10:30 am - Mass

Monday, Dec. 28th - Dec. 31st - 8:30 am & 12 noon daily

Friday, Jan. 1st - 8:30 am & 10:30 am - New Year's Day Mass

LEVERING**New Hope United Methodist Church**

4516 N. US 31 • (231)537-2000
Pastor Matt Stoll

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 4:30 & 6 pm - Candlelight service

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 9 am - Worship service

PETOSKEY**Cross of Christ Lutheran Church**

1450 E. Mitchell, Petoskey
(231)347-5448 crossofc@sbglobal.net
Rev. Sherry McGuffin, Pastor

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 7 p.m. & 11 p.m. Candlelight Service

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

1020 E. Mitchell (231)347-2350
Rev. Gregory Brown, Rector

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 4:00 pm - Christmas Carols & 4:30 Family Christmas Liturgy

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 10:30 pm - Christmas Carols & 11:00 pm - Christmas Eve Liturgy

Friday, Dec. 25th - 11:00 am - Christmas Day Service

Epsilon United Methodist Church

8251 E. Mitchell Rd., Springvale Township
Pastor Matt Stoll

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 8 pm Candlelight service

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 11 am Worship Service

First Presbyterian Church

501 E. Mitchell (231)347-4792
Dr. Robert Lueck

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 7:30 pm - Candlelight service

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 11:30 pm - Holy Communion and Candlelight Service

Genesis Church

P.O. Box 2008 (231)487-0081
Norm Byers

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 6 pm - Christmas Eve Service in Pennsylvania Park, Downtown Petoskey. Regular services are held at the Petoskey Cinema on Anderson Road at 9:30 am on Sundays

New Life Anglican Church

619 Waukazoo Avenue-Petoskey
231-347-3448

Bishop Roger Ames, Mr. Tim Strauss & Rev. Bob Faulman

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 10:00 pm - Christmas Eve Service (Bishop Roger Ames - officiates)

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 10:00 am - Sunday Morning Worship Service (Mr. Tim Strauss - officiates)

Sunday, Jan. 3rd - 10:00 am - Sunday Morning Worship Service (Rev. Bob Faulman - officiates)

Petoskey Church of Christ

1727 Anderson Road, Petoskey, MI 49770
231-347-0210

Pastor Tom Rellinger

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 7:00 pm - Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, Dec. 27th - 10:45 am - Christmas Service

Petoskey United Methodist Church

1804 E. Mitchell,
www.petoskeyumc.org
(231)347-2733

Dr. James P. Mitchum, Pastor

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 5:30, 7:30 & 11:00 pm - Christmas Eve Services. To be broadcasted on WMKT AM 1270/FM 92.1

Sunday, Dec. 27th - One Service 10:00 a.m.

St. Francis Xavier Parish

513 Howard St. (231)347-4133
Rev. Dennis Stilwell

Thursday, Dec. 24 - 5:00 pm & 10:00 pm Mass with a music program 1/2 hour before each.

Friday, Dec. 25 - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Friday, Jan. 1 - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Regular weekend schedules - 5:00 pm on Saturdays. 8:00 & 10:00 am on Sundays.

WALLOON LAKE**Walloon Lake Community Church**

04320 M-75 N. 231-535-2288
Pastor Jeff Ellis

Thursday, Dec. 24th - 6 pm - Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

DECEMBER

SPORTS reviewing the action

Rayders outgun Gaylord for first win

It was the kind of game that might have Charlevoix coach Keith Haske sporting a couple new gray hairs this morning.

Keegan LaBlance made a 3-pointer with under two minutes remaining and was a perfect 4-of-4 from the free throw line in the final minute as the Rayders held off Gaylord, 89-84, Tuesday for their first boys' basketball victory of the season.

The Rayders, 1-2, led by 10 points at the half and they remained up by 10 until Gaylord mounted a comeback with about four minutes remaining.

The Blue Devils took a two-point lead before an Andrew Plude 3-pointer put Charlevoix back in front for good.

"It was a real up tempo game that went back-and-forth there at the end," Haske said.

LaBlance had a team-high 23 points, while Dylan Putman added 16, and Plude and Ben Meyers added 10 apiece. Casey Helstrom collected eight rebounds while Meyers led the Rayders with six assists.

Kevin Dutcher led the Blue Devils with 27 points.

Offense has increasingly improved for the Rayders, whose 89 points was a season high. They are averaging 70-plus points through their first three games, but are allowing more than 84.

The Rayders square off against longtime rival Traverse City St. Fran-

cis in the Rayders' Lake Michigan Conference opener on Saturday.

"We gave up way too many easy baskets," Haske said. "I thought (Gaylord) shot well, but we've just been giving up too many easy points."

Saturday's game is a varsity doubleheader with the girls' contest beginning at 6 p.m. followed by the boys' JV game.

LaBlance won the JV game, 48-46. Andrew Potter had 16 points and Colby Herriman added nine for the Rayders.

Gaylord won the freshman game, 64-39. Charlie Hamilton scored 20 points for Charlevoix.

Cedarville 70, Harbor Springs 62.

CEDARVILLE — Harbor Springs tried to rally from a 13-point fourth quarter deficit, but Cedarville held off the Rams for a non-league win.

Rourke Sylvain led Harbor Springs with 17 points and John Matthews added 13, while Mike Vandermus hauled down 11 rebounds.

"It was an up-and-down game," Harbor coach Jeff Morse said. "They made a couple of runs and we made a couple of runs. They just made a couple more than we did."

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RAYDERS VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH

game had a lot to do with our defense. We stepped our pressure up, got some steals and forced them back into transition."

Connor McLeod led Cedarville with 21 points.

Cedarville won the JV game 84-70. Josh Vanilburg scored 22 points for Harbor.

SKI VALLEY

Pellston 72, Forest Area 69

FIFE LAKE — Ben Huyck's turnaround jumper with 20 seconds remaining put Pellston in front and the Hornets went on to post a 72-69

Ski Valley Conference boys' basketball victory over Fife Lake Forest Area on Tuesday.

Senior guard Jeremiah Skilton scored a career-high 24 points to lead the Hornets, 2-1 overall, 1-0 Ski Valley. Chris Hass added 21 points, eight assists, five rebounds and five steals for the Hornets, while Andy Hamilton added 10 points and seven rebounds.

Pellston's Jake Freed made two pressure-packed free throws with 3 seconds remaining for the final margin.

"Big win," Pellston coach Cliff Hass said. "They were conference champs last year, and I picked them as the conference favorite (this

year). We got great contributions from everyone. Everybody contributed, all nine guys."

"Glad we pulled it together when we needed to."

Carl Snyder scored 24 points for Forest Area, while Ryan Burke added 14 and Cullen Lane had 13.

Pellston led at halftime, 38-33. The game was tied, 54-54, after three quarters.

Forest Area won the JV game, 55-48.

NORTHERN LAKES

Harbor Light 65, Ellsworth 47

HARBOR LIGHT — David Doucette had 18 points and six rebounds as Harbor Light won its first game in four years over the three-time defending Northern Lakes Conference champions.

Nathan Cook added 14 points and nine rebounds for the Swordsman, 1-1 overall, 1-0 league, while Collin Hewitt and Ben Cole had 10 points apiece. Hewitt dished out seven assists and Cole made five steals.

Harbor Light led, 35-18, at halftime, then saw the Lancers creep within seven, 46-39, entering the fourth quarter.

Cook hit the first of his two four-quarter 3-pointers to re-up Harbor

Light's lead to 10, 49-39, and the Swordsman took control from there.

Cook, Andrew Fila and Cole combined to make four 3-pointers in the final stanza.

Nathan Peterson scored 20 points and Jordan Muma added 14 for Ellsworth, 0-2, 0-1.

Harbor Light won the JV game, 69-42. Jake Ellis scored 25 points for Harbor Light, Ryan Conrad added 18, and Daniel Klevorn had 16.

"The story of the second half was that we played defense," Wolverine coach Stephen Seelye said. "We were able to stuff their passing lanes and when we got the ball back we were patient and waited for our shots."

Alex VandenHoek finished with 23 points and 14 rebounds to lead Wolverine, while Jeremy Brush added 14 points and led the Wildcats' defense by taking three charges, Seelye said.

Jeremy Egas was the defensive standout for Wolverine, holding VandenHoek scoreless in the second half and to just nine points overall. Seelye said.

Wolverine won the JV game, 43-33.

Alba 57, Mackinaw City 56

ALBA — Wilby Gates scored 26 points and Christian Ordway added 14 as the Wildcats won the league opener for both schools.

Adam Alexander tossed in 33 points and Tate Paquet added 13 for Mackinaw. Alba is 2-0 overall. Mackinaw is 0-2.

Alanson won the JV game, 33-32, as Max Oom scored 11 points.

Wolverine 67, Vanderbilt 53

VANDERBILT — Wolverine outscored the Yellowjackets, 41-27, in the second half to nail down the victory in its Northern Lakes opener.

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Anora Ruehle promoted to Castle assistant general manager



Ruehle

Castle Farms of Charlevoix is pleased to announce the promotion of Anora Ruehle to the position of Assistant General Manager, effective immediately.

Ruehle, a member of the Castle Farms team since 2003, has an extensive educational background.

She holds an associate's degree from Northern Michigan University, a bachelor's degree in management and organizational development from Spring Arbor University, and is a certified professional wedding coordinator through the Association of Certified Professional Wedding Consultants.

Ruehle has the unique experience of having been a member of the Castle Farms team since its inception.

Her experience and wisdom in event planning and weddings have translated into having personally coordinated over 250 wedding and supervised another 350.

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BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE
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What started off as a small idea, is helping to bring a local community together.

In September, Phillip Palajac and his wife purchased the House on the Hill Bed and Breakfast in Ellsworth.

"We want to help build up the area. I felt we needed more of a destination place, not just a bed and breakfast," said Palajac. "The first thing I said was,

"We need a snowmobile trail!"

After talking with other people in the community, Palajac had the support he needed. Both Palajac and Fred Taylor, another Ellsworth resident, agreed to allow several acres of their properties to be used for a snowmobile trail. The trail extension connects Ellsworth with a state trail that runs between East Jordan and Charlevoix.

The trail extension was recently approved by the DNR and is being groomed

for use this season. The new Ellsworth extension has been named, "The House on the Hill Snowmobile Trail," because of the easement which brings it directly behind the bed and breakfast.

The trail, which runs just two miles, didn't cost taxpayers a dime.

"The entire village came together," said Palajac. "Everyone came out and walked the trail. We talked about how to extend it and what trees needed to be cut down. It really was a huge

community effort to connect the village with the rest of the trail."

Palajac said that the use of bulldozers and other equipment for the project were all donated by people in the area.

"It was incredible, every time we needed something, it would show up 10 minutes later," said Palajac.

"We wanted a trail in town for a long time, and we

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Top places to work awarded by state agency

HONORS

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Awards have and will be presented to one outstanding organization from each of the 10 counties of northwest Michigan honoring their collaborative effort with the Earn & Learn program. Determining factors of the award included the organization's

ability to provide diversity of experience, learning opportunities, development of work place and employability skills for program participants, and the benefits the work projects provided to the community. Additional factors included the ability to provide adequate work opportunities, projects for multiple crews, participation in work place learning, supervision, job planning,

and contribution of supplies to the program. This year's county award winners are:

Antrim - Mancelona Public Schools

Benzie - Crystal Lake and Watershed Association

Charlevoix - Charlevoix Conservation District (Eveline and Norwood Township Trail activity)

Emmet - Emmet County (Parks and Recreation Department)

Grand Traverse - Grand Traverse Conservation District

Kalkaska - Scenic Trails Council - Boy Scouts of America Camp Kellogg Development

Leelanau - National Parks Service/Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore

Manistee - City of Manistee

(Parks and Recreation Department and Public WORKS)

Missaukee - Missaukee County (Parks and Recreation Department)

Wexford - City of Cadillac (Parks and Recreation Department and Public WORKS)

This summer, 320 youth between the ages of 16-24, worked in the 10 counties of northwest Michigan as part of the "Earn & Learn" Summer Youth Program.

Youth were placed on one of 15 roving crews or individual job sites doing a variety of community-based work projects. A total of 147 work sites participated with youth development to better the quality of life for citizens of the region. The program was expanded this year by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding.

Green cleaner gives natural alternative to savvy scrubbers

One local business is offering a safer alternative to traditional cleaning products. Tammy Kinzel and Carol Renis have been friends for years. Earlier this year, the two Antrim County women decided to combine their passions of green living and go into business together.

"We bought Ginger Clean in February from a woman named Ginger Blackmore who developed these all natural cleaning products

and had been selling them in a couple area stores," said Kinzel. "Carol found out Ginger was going to let the business go, and got the idea that the two of us should think about buying the business."

Kinzel, who worked in insurance for several years, more recently owned a personal gardening business. And Renis, who has served on numerous committees and boards throughout her life, knew the products were worth the risk.

"Carol has serious allergies, and had been using these products for a long time," said Kinzel. "She knew they worked."

Ginger Clean offers various household cleaning products and laundry soap. All their products are all natural with no harsh chemicals.

"If people took the time to look at the ingredients in most products, they would be horrified," said Kinzel. "So that's why everything we use to make our products is natural."

Ginger Clean products are aimed at people who suffer with allergies and skin sensitivities, people with children and pets, and people who are tired of having harsh chemicals in their home.

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ONGOING EVENTS:
Second Tuesday monthly from January through May
Daycare provider meeting at the Charlevoix Public Library. Call 547-2072 for more information.

Adult Band
Pine Lake Winds Band will be playing from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday nights at the Charlevoix Middle School Band Room.

Charlevoix Assembly of God
At 10:30 a.m. there is a Sunday service with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. A nursery is provided. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights is "Worship and Intercession" with live music.

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights is Family Night with adult study, a youth group, Calvary Kids and a nursery.

The Food Pantry and Tabitha's Closet clothing ministry is open by appointment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

Bingo - This event will not occur for the next two weeks. Bingo games are held from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. each Saturday at the Boyne City American Legion at 302 South Lake St. Play 39 games with 51 bingo cards. Call 582-7811 for more information. Games include traditional pick your own hard cards, paper specials and a Michigan progressive jackpot.

Smoke-free and smoking area, as well as concessions are available.

First Light Worship - this event is suspended for the month of December, but will resume in January.

First Congregational Church is newly offering a non-formal worship experience called First Light Worship which will be held at 9 a.m. every Sunday morning in their fellowship hall, Ransom Hall.

JEEP CLUB

Anyone interested in forming a Jeep club for the purpose of organizing four-wheeling rides and other related events should call Mike Bennett at 547-9900 or e-mail mbennett@foxmotos.com. There is no cost to join.

Ladies swim
The Charlevoix Area Community Pool's ladies swim is from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays with the first swim free. Call Pany Sizema at 547-5190 for more information.

EXHIBIT
Charlevoix Historical Society's Harsha House Museum, 103 State St. Event is open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays through the end of the year except for Christmas and Thanksgiving. The side office door facing the bank is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct society business or purchase store items during off hours.

FREE LUNCH
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays the Community Church of God, 202 West Huribut St. offers free lunches to those in need in the fellowship hall.

Scrapbooking will be from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the fourth Saturday of every month at the Charlevoix Public Library.

UES
Charlevoix Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 72 are sending cards, letters and gifts to military service members. If you would like to help, call Colleen Wilcenski at (231) 675-2273 or 547-1305 to submit your APO or FPO or to donate items of need.

4 FIRES NATIVE TALKING CIRCLE
4 Fires Native Circle at Red Road Lodge meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month. 4 Fires is a Native American group that focuses on Native Spiritual and Cultural aspects and how it relates to the Bible. All are welcome regardless of race. Meetings are 7 p.m. at the Freedom House Church in Charlevoix.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Museum Hours:
The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

Substance abuse recovery classes
The Charlevoix Alano Club will be hosting a monthly "Substance Abuse and Recovery Community Education Series" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Alano Club, 106 Mason St. Club director Scott Kelly, who has more than 23 years of professional experience as a substance abuse professional, will facilitate the meetings.

SAILING CLUB
A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-9000 for more information.

Business
The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

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There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome to help fund the club's numerous programs.

The event is open to the general public. Call 547-1144 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVES

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Dec. 28, at Community of Christ Church, 777 Vogel St. in Boyne City.

• 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. on Jan. 5, 2010, at Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake St.

• Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Jan. 14, 2010, at Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651.

• Managing your PC, 10:30 a.m., January 5 & 7: For those with basic computer skills to learn how to organize files and folders, how to customize your desktop and how to back-up important documents and pictures. Call to register.

• Open Mic Night, 6:30 p.m., January 6: Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

• New! Family Pre-school Class, 10:30 a.m., January 9: Join the library staff in welcoming Laura Pershin Raynor, a children's educator from Ann Arbor, for a special morning of stories specially designed to help your pre-schooler learn and strengthen reading skills.

• BookTalkers: The Forging of Venus, by Michael Gruber, 6:00 p.m., January 11: Join others for a lively discussion of this fast paced book which offers fascinating details about art forgery and thought-provoking conversations about art and morality.

• Parlez Vous Français?, 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays January 12 through February 9. French lessons for those who have taken at least one course of French including conversation, reading and simple grammar. Call to register, \$25 fee.

• Flip Video Film Night, 3:15 p.m., January 12: All teens welcome to make a film using the library's flip video camera or their own. Films can then be entered in the Library's Film Festival.

• Mail Order and Catalog Houses, 6:30 p.m., January 14: Join the Friends of the Library for their annual meeting and hear Richard Neumann present slides which will review the mail order and catalog house

businesses of the twentieth century.

• Mystery Night Tween Lock-In, 6:00 p.m., January 15: Wanna know the mysteries of the library at night? Come with a flashlight and see the dark side of the library, pizza provided.

• Microsoft Word 2007 Basics, 10:30 a.m., January 19 & 21: For those who know the basics to learn to create a basic typed document and learn to format it. Call to register.

• Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 1:00 p.m., January 20: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

• Quilters and Friends, 10:00 a.m., January 21: Join quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a morning work group. Bring your project and equipment.

• Imagine That! A Day of Fun, Friends and Green Crafts, January 23: Spend the day with friends making bags, jewelry, clothes, and accessories, all from recycled materials. \$5 fee per class. Registration required.

• Learn to Sell on Etsy.com - the Place for All Things Handmade, 6:30 p.m., January 28. This workshop will show you how to get started buying and selling your handmade crafts online. Call to pre-register.

• Weekly Events

• Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

• Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

• Le Cercle Français, meets noon on Tuesdays in the Trustee Conference Room, to practice and renew French conversation skills by sharing knowledge and learning from others. The group facilitator is Vince Chiew.

• Quilters and Friends meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the third Thursday of the month. This group of quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts is set up as a workgroup, so bring along your current fiber project and all the equipment you need (yes, even your sewing machine!) and enjoy the company of friends. The group facilitator is Sue Dixon.

• Northern Michigan Textile Artists meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs for discussion of projects and ideas.

• The Scrapbookers meet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the fourth Saturday of the month. Treat yourself to a full day away from home to work on your photos with group facilitator, Sherla Davis and other like minded scrappers.

The Book Talkers meet regularly throughout the year at 6 p.m. on Monday evenings. Beth Strawbridge facilitates this group. Call the library for upcoming dates and titles, 237-7340.

The Writer's Group meets at 6 p.m. every Wednesday in the Armstrong Conference Room. This group of writing enthusiasts (from beginner to published) encourages each other and share their work. The group welcomes all who are interested in writing for themselves, their family, and/or for publication. The group facilitator is Jim McKinney. For more information about these or other library events, call the library 237-7340.

CCA

Various events are scheduled by Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

Call 547-3554 or visit www.circle-of-arts.org for pricing, registration and availability.

Now through Christmas Eve Charlevoix Lions are selling Christmas trees in the same familiar area in East Park. The club's annual winter-time charity fundraiser, now in its quarter-century plus year, is in support of its some thirty local and world-wide charities. The club will be offering blue spruce, black hills spruce and Fraser fir trees. Hours are from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays; from noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

DEC. 24

Christmas Eve services. In celebration of Christmas and the birth of Christ, First Congregational Church of Charlevoix will be offering two services on Christmas Eve.

The first will be a family service at 7 p.m. The second will be a Candle Light service at 11 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend. For more information contact

the church office at 547-9122.

DEC. 30

New Year's Eve worship. Reign of Grace Ministries of Boyne City is hosting a special New Year's Eve night of praise, worship, prayer, and fellowship with guest praise/worship teams from Charlevoix, Petoskey and Boyne City. Service begins at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served, however there is no child care or nursery.

The church is located at 1107 Boyne Ave. (M-75) next to McDonald's across from the Boyne City High School campus. For more information phone Pastor Ryp Hankins at (231) 459-8373 or visit www.reignofgraceministry.org.

JAN. 4

Kevin Eisenheimer's office hours. From 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 4, State Rep. Kevin Eisenheimer (R-Bellaire) will be at Darlene's Restaurant in East Jordan to speak with his constituents. Darlene's is located at the corner of Second and Mill streets.

Call (877) 536-4105 or e-mail at kevin@eisenheimer.house.mi.gov for more information.

JAN. 8, 9

Photo contest. Crooked Tree Arts Center's Junied Photography 2010 Based on Watershed Awareness.

The call for entries has been established for the Crooked Tree Arts Center's 29th Annual Photography Exhibition accepting works in early January 2010 with the theme set on watershed awareness. CTAC is working in cooperation with the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council based in Petoskey, the Leelanau Conservancy, and the Watershed Center of Grand Traverse Bay to create an exhibition with images taken solely on these watershed lands.

Northern Michigan waters define the character of our region and the way of life for its residents. Despite their beauty

our waters are quite fragile. The future of our waters ultimately depends on what we do today to protect and restore them. "By bringing attention to the cause of these watershed councils and focusing on the beauty as well as the fragility of the area in which we live, this exhibition hopes to honor and preserve our resources," explains Gail DeMeyer, Visual Arts/Education Director at CTAC.

Juror's for the 2010 Juried Photography exhibition are Todd and Brad Reed, the father and son outdoor photography team based in Ludington, Michigan. Todd Reed has been recording Michigan scenes for over 35 years, 23 of those years as a photojournalist for the Ludington Daily News where he has won dozens of awards. His son Brad's journey as a photographer started as a young boy and has followed in his father's footsteps achieving his own recognition as an artist.

The 29th Annual Junied Photography Exhibition is open to all Michigan photographers 18 years or older and/or members of the Crooked Tree Arts Center. Photograph drop off will be on January 8 and 9 from 12-4 p.m. Sponsors for the 2010 Junied Photography exhibition are Mitchell Graphics and Olar Consulting. To obtain more information on the watershed councils and the view maps that highlight the regions in the exhibition you can go online to: the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council www.watershed-council.org, the Leelanau Con-

servancy www.theconservancy.com, or the Watershed Center www.gbay.org. The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located downtown Petoskey at 461 E. Mitchell Street. For more information please call the Arts Center at 231-347-4337 or visit www.crookdreedtree.org. This program supported in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

MARCH 13, 2010

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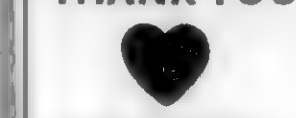
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
90TH DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIXORDER FOR SUBSTITUTED
DEFENDANT

Case No. 09-1468-SP
Michael and Kelly Collins, Plaintiffs
vs.
Thomas C. Turner, Defendant

Kevin G. Klevorn (P35531)
Attorney for Plaintiffs
215 South Lake Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231) 887-7991

Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Possession After Land Contract Forfeiture, an action pending in the 90th District Court.

Defendant, his heirs, successors or assigns will be defaulted in favor of Plaintiff if they do not appear at a land contract forfeiture hearing on December 29, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

The Court will enter a judgment on December 29th, 2009, pursuant to MCR 4.202(J).

Dated: December 1, 2009
Richard W. May
(L-12/09/12/16/12/23)

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DAVID J. CADARETTE SR. and KATHRYN S. CADARETTE, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to AMERIHOME MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 2001, and recorded on May 1, 2001, in Liber 416, on Page 992, Char-

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levoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$81,945.43), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BAY, CHARLEVOIX, MICHIGAN, COMMENCING AT A CHARLEVOIX COUNTY MARKER AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET TO A CHARLEVOIX COUNTY MARKER AT THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SECTION LINE, NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST 114.50 FEET TO A 1 1/2 - INCH ROD, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SECTION LINE, NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST 165.00 FEET TO THE EAST 1/8 LINE OF SAID SECTION 6; THENCE ALONG SAID 1/8 LINE, SOUTH 00 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST 420.00 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF HORTON BAY

THE REDEMPTION PERIOD SHALL BE 6 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH SALE, UNLESS DETERMINED ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCLA 600.3241a, IN WHICH CASE THE REDEMPTION PERIOD SHALL BE 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH SALE.

Dated: December 2, 2009
AMERIHOME MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
(L-12/09/12/16/12/23/12/30)

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NORTH ROAD, BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION, THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID 1/8 LINE AND ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD, SOUTH 00 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST 268.76 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTH EAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION, THENCE ALONG AFOREMENTIONED LINE, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST 226.87 FEET TO A 1 1/2 - INCH ROD, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST 157.74 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST 94.84 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST 109.64 FEET TO A 1 1/2 - INCH ROD, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST 132.00 FEET TO A 1 1/2 - INCH ROD ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID ROAD, THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 6.

THE REDEMPTION PERIOD SHALL BE 6 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH SALE, UNLESS DETERMINED ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCLA 600.3241a, IN WHICH CASE THE REDEMPTION PERIOD SHALL BE 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH SALE.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard H. Snyder and Linda S. Snyder, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2006, and recorded on February 22, 2007 in Liber 791 on Page 914, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Two And 88/100 Dollars (\$261,792.88), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 68, Charlevoix Country Club Condominium, ac-

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ording to the Master Deed thereof, as recorded in Liber 335, Page 47 through 104 inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and any amendments thereto and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 62, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 9, 2009
For more information, please call:
FCJ (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #261977F02
(L-12/09/12/16/12/23/12/30)

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SHELBY W. TOEPKE, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 4, 2008, and recorded on February 6, 2008, in Liber 0836, on Page 0135, and assigned by said mortgagee to US BANK N.A., as assigned, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars and Two Cents (\$143,950.02), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

EXCEPT THE SOUTH 30 FEET THEREOF, AND THE SOUTH 45 FEET OF LOT 5, PLAT OF WESTPORT, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGES 211, AND 212, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 2, 2009
US BANK N.A.
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
(L-12/09/12/16/12/23/12/30)

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 68, Charlevoix Country Club Condominium, ac-

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Teri K. Maass, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated July 10, 2006, and recorded on July 17, 2006 in Liber 756 on Page 465, and modified by agreement dated May 19, 2008, and recorded on September 8, 2008 in Liber 861 on Page 45, in Charlevoix County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fifth Third Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Three And 75/100 Dollars (\$72,833.75), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on January 8, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hayes, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point 198 feet South of the Northeast corner of Outlot No. 4 as recorded in the Plat of Bayshore Village, thence West 122 feet; thence South 132 feet; thence East 122 feet; thence North 132 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 9, 2009
For more information, please call:
FCJ (248) 593-1311
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File #295853F01
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

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ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, Charlevoix State Bank may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Brian Pinney and Anne Pinney, husband and wife, reserving a life estate in favor of Keith Pinney and Pamela J. Pinney, husband and

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wife, ("Debtors") to Charlevoix State Bank ("Charlevoix State Bank"), dated January 30, 2006, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix in the State of Michigan on February 3, 2006, in Liber 729 Page(s) 302, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$19,273.67, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Charlevoix State Bank together with interest at 7.75 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on January 15, 2010 at 11:00 a.m., in the front lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WILSON, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST; THENCE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION AND CENTER LINE OF HALEY ROAD, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" WEST, 1638.51 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" WEST, 365 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" WEST, 330 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" EAST, 365 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID ROAD, THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 00 DEGREES 02' 56" EAST, 33 FEET TO THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE, THENCE ALONG SAID 1/4 LINE AND CENTER LINE OF SAID ROAD, NORTH 89 DEGREES 59' 16" EAST, 330 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWN 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

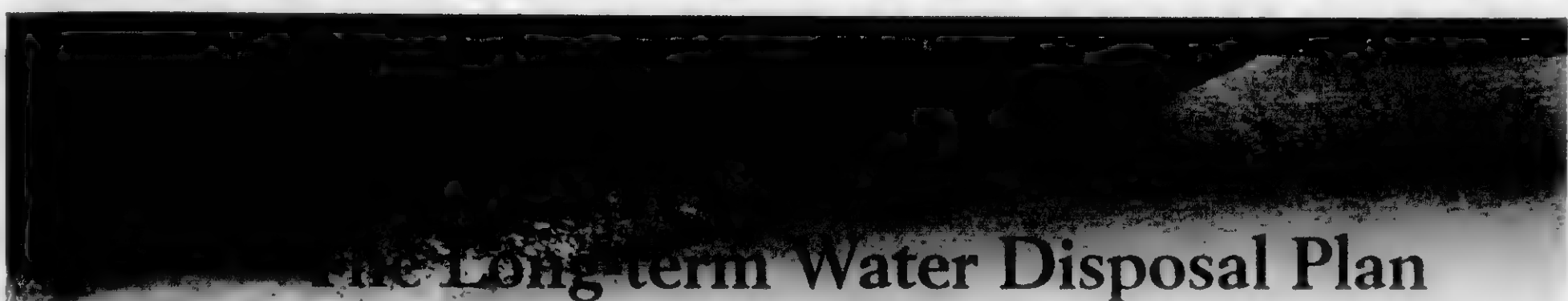
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Charlevoix State Bank
By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD IV (P64560)
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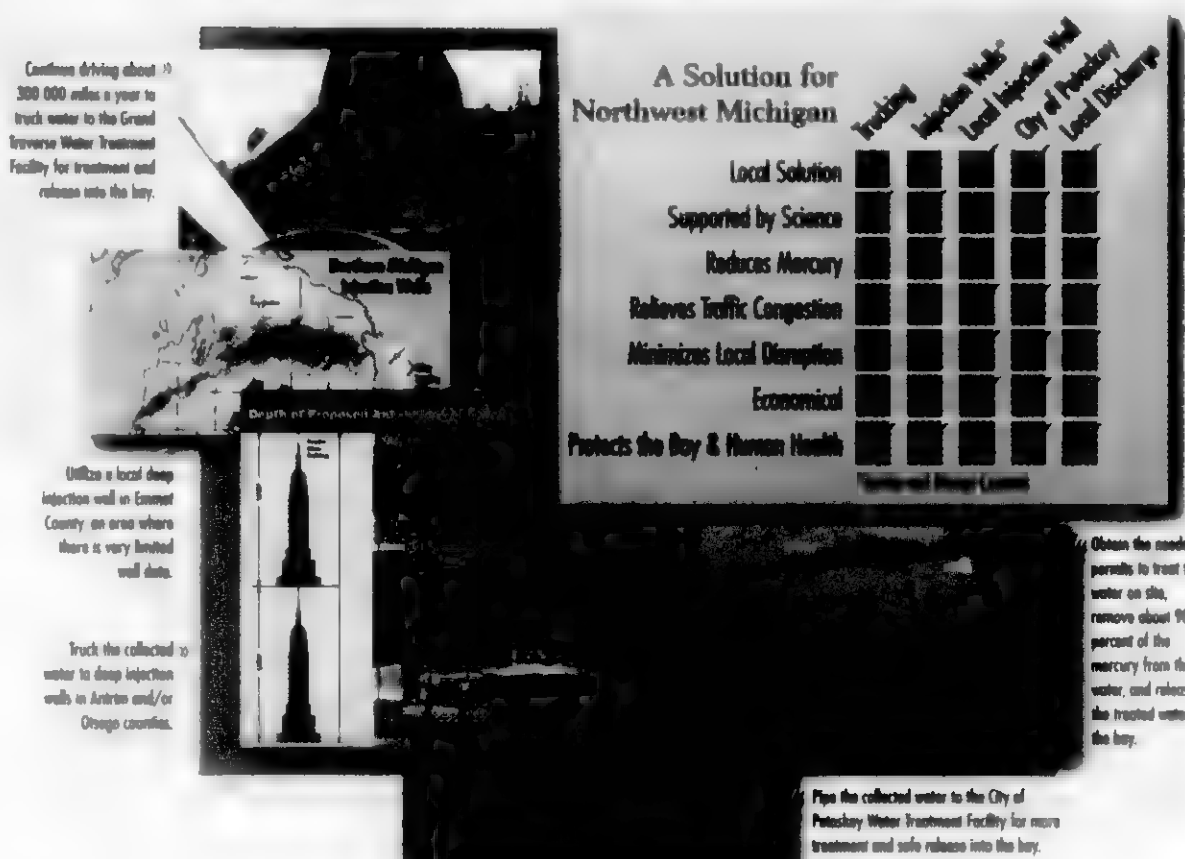
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Let's look back.

- Contaminants in cement kiln dust were left behind at the old cement plant that operated for decades along the Lake Michigan shoreline.
- CMS Land controls these contaminants and protects the bay by collecting, treating and disposing of millions of gallons of groundwater that would otherwise enter the lake.
- Environmental efforts have been successful, as seen this summer with the reopening of Resort Township's East Park and the progress demonstrated at Bay Harbor.
- Collection of this water will go on for the foreseeable future.

Now, let's look ahead.

- What is the best long-term solution for disposing of the collected water?
- Does the plan protect human health and Little Traverse Bay?
- Is it a local solution to this local problem?
- Is the solution supported by sound science?
- Does it significantly reduce the mercury levels of the water?
- Does it relieve local road congestion and safety issues associated with the tanker truck traffic?
- Does it minimize disruption to the community, economy and tourism?
- Is the solution economically reasonable?

In our work and in the recent updates in the newspapers, we've tried to answer these questions about the options being reviewed. Take a look at the chart above; some do better than others.

While each option has its benefits and challenges and all will likely generate considerable discussion, CMS Land believes sending water to the City of Petoskey or securing NPDES permits are the most promising options. This is an important moment in time when critical decisions will be made about the future of the local environment. These options are at the center of some of those decisions and we encourage you to become more familiar with all of them. We will continue to keep local residents up to date on our progress.

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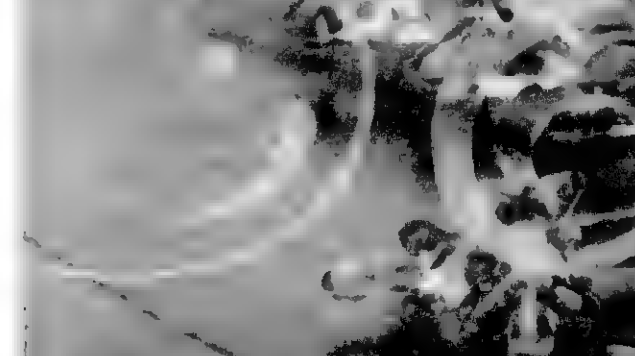
January 4	May 3	September 7 (Tue.)
January 18	May 17	September 20
February 1	June 7	October 4
February 15	June 21	October 18
March 1	July 6 (Tue.)	November 1
March 15	July 19	November 15
April 5	Aug 2	December 6
April 19	Aug 16	December 20

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FOOD PANTRIES
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Top stories of 2009

The year 2009 was a year for great times with the celebration of the Venetian Festival in the fully completed East Park. It was also a time for great loss with the deaths of some memorable Charlevoix folks like Edith Gilbert, Dawson Way and Ken Doty.

Following is a recap of some of the top stories that made up life in Charlevoix in 2009.

A film company made the best out of what was one of the most brutal winters in Northern Michigan history last winter.

The war ended, but they kept fighting ... and dying.

Thousands of men from all over Michigan fought in a little known conflict near the end of World War I in the darkest depths of Russian wasteland, and one former

Detroiter is working to tell their story.

"My grandfather I always knew was in World War I and that he went to some place really different than other soldiers," said documentarian, writer, director and actress Pamela Peak, now of California. "While most of them were going to France and over to Europe, he and 5,500 Michigan soldiers were shipped to northern Russia and they didn't find out they were going to go until after they got to England and they saw long underwear on the ship and said 'What's this all about?'"

The men, known as Polar Bears, were sent to Archangel, Russia, to quell the Bolsheviks.

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PHOTO BY BENJAMIN GOHS

Winter weather watch

A Charlevoix County Sheriff Deputy aids a stranded driver on M66 on Monday Dec. 21, the first official day of winter. The motorist spun out on the slick roads during yet another snow storm. Weather officials are calling for a break in the precipitation mid-week with temperatures expected to plunge into the teens toward the weekend and beyond.

Educator ends decades of service to Charlevoix's children



COURTESY PHOTO
Mercy Murdick during one of her last days as a teacher.

BY RACHEL BROUGHAM
SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

After teaching in Charlevoix for 15 years, Marcy Murdick is now embarking on a new chapter in her life - retirement. But she's not slowing down.

"There are many reason I decided to retire now. First and foremost, my mother has Alzheimer's and I am in charge of her care and finances," explained Murdick.

"I find it is extremely difficult to balance all of the

demands on me and still do a good job teaching.

Murdick, who grew up in the Detroit area and moved to Charlevoix in 1966, is a graduate of Charlevoix High School.

It wasn't until she was married and had her own children that she became inspired to go into teaching.

Murdick graduated from Northern Michigan University with honors in 1989 and worked at the Charlevoix Montessori Children's

House. She then spent four years substitute teaching in the area, and was hired to teach first grade at Charlevoix Elementary in 1994.

"The first grade classes became unusually large at that time," explained Murdick.

"I had a group of twenty five first graders which I taught in a make-shift room in the middle of the hallway constructed with portable walls and bookcases for storage."

In addition to helping her mother, Murdick will spend time working at her family business.

It's a business she said began after one crazy and impulsive moment.

"I started a bakery and ice cream shop in Mackinaw City and have been working like a dog trying to make a go of it," said Murdick. "I soon found out that no matter how good your peanut butter cake is, people

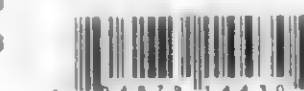
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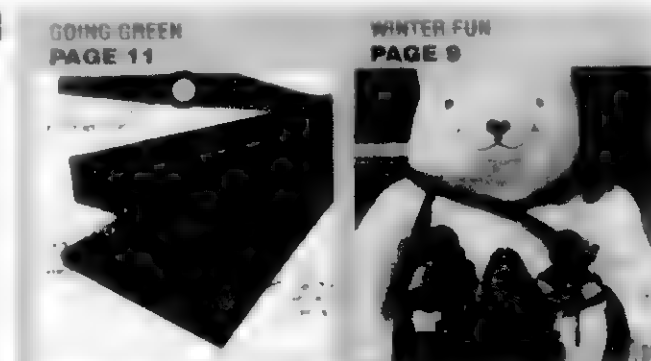
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The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court of Charlevoix County Michigan:

Mackenzie Rose Boatman, 26, Petoskey. No operator license on person; funds insufficient for checks written, under \$100. Pay \$1,509.17 or serve 324 days in jail.

Jacques Pierre Battiste, 41, Boyne City. Assault/battery. Credit for two days in jail; 88 days held in abeyance; to serve six months on probation; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$880 in fines and costs.

Catherine Ann Schmidt, 43, Walloon Lake. Funds insufficient for check written, under \$100. Pay \$400 or serve 14 days in jail.

Amber Marie Lundy, 26, Charlevoix. Operator license suspended/revoked/

denied/allow. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.

Ahsley Suzanne Foster, 24, Petoskey. Driving while impaired. Serve 10 days of community service work; to serve six months on probation; 30 days held in abeyance; submit to PBT/urine test; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$880 in fines and costs.

Megan Colleen Murray, 24, Saline. Driving while impaired. Serve 10 days of community service work; to serve nine months on probation; 30 days held in abeyance; not to consume/possess alcohol/controlled substances; \$880 in fines and costs.

Mark Flores, 25, Chicago, Ill. Assault/battery. Credit for 20 days in jail; to serve 73 days in jail; \$700 in fines and costs.

Billie Lynn Crowell, 32, Charlevoix. No operator license on person. Pay \$200 or serve eight days in jail.



COURTESY PHOTO

Christmas cheer

Christmas carolers, Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus visited Boulder Park Terrace from Harbor Industries on Dec. 18 as they do every year. Harbor Industries' Harbor Choir visits the elderly as part of its community outreach programs.

Never a dull moment in Charlevoix

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vik, or communist, revolution which began when the communists broke off from being an ally to the forces fighting against Germany.

Peak's crew chose to shoot some of the four key battle scenes of the Polar Bears in southern Charlevoix because the terrain was similar to that of northern Russia.

The Charlevoix County

Board of Commissioners shocked some when they fired two long-time employees after deciding their poor performance was having a detrimental effect on the Charlevoix Building and Safety Department.

What began as a discussion on Jan. 28 how the building department could best be made solvent ended with a 4-2 vote and the termination of two employees: Ken Doty and Jim Easley.

Doty, a 15-year employee and department head, and

Easley, a 12-year electrical inspector were both fired following a financial audit and a department assessment which included detailed closed-door interviews of the department's employees.

"The personnel committee recently conducted an evaluation of personnel," said chairman of the board and District Two Charlevoix County Commissioner Chris Christensen. "It was recommended to the full board that, given the current economic climate, existing issues with the building

department and results of the assessment, that the employment relationship with the individuals be terminated."

Seven members of the building department were interviewed on Wednesday, Jan. 28, some of them twice, for a total of nine interviews over the course of nearly eight hours.

This move came just weeks after the county board set the most recent of two timetables for fiscal recovery of the department which was taken into the county's financial

fold last spring.

According to the audit of time worked, Doty and Easley were consistently lowest in number of inspections completed per days eligible to be worked.

Easley is currently locked into a lawsuit against the county for wrongful termination.

In what may go down in the Guinness Book of World Records as the longest a vandalism case has been dragged out in court, the Austin Wil-

helm case continues in a veritable legal limbo.

The youngster was charged with allegedly splashing paint around a house built by the Charlevoix Building and Trades class at Charlevoix High School.

Wilhelm has pleaded innocent to all charges, but the real spotlight is apparently on the two attorneys involved in the matter.

Both Charlevoix County

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The big stories of 2009 in Charlevoix

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Prosecuting Attorney John Jarema and Wilhelm defense attorney Mary Beth Kur have a rough enough working relationship to have prompted a judge to ponder if the case was the people against Austin Wilhelm or if it was John Jarema vs. Mary Beth Kur.

The case still has yet to go to trial.

Former Charlevoix City Manager Mike Wiesner took a job in Gladstone as their city manager last winter only to have recently resigned abruptly following a city council evaluation by their city council.

Officials are hush-hush as to why Wiesner left the \$79,000 a year job.

Reach for the sky!

A Charlevoix County woman claimed she was mistreated by a Charlevoix City Policeman and even went so far as to secure a high profile Detroit attorney.

Elena Michelle Warner, then 30, claimed she had been stopped on Feb. 1 only to have the officer rush her car with his gun drawn.

She was eventually cited for speeding and let go. Warner's attorney was able to get her out of the speeding ticket.

Warner's attorney had at least one meeting with the City of Charlevoix officials, but neither side would say what the meetings consisted of.

The matter apparently dissolved as no further action was taken by the police department and no official complaint was ever filed with the city.

Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners approved the state's ORV law in April. The law goes into effect Jan. 1, 2010.

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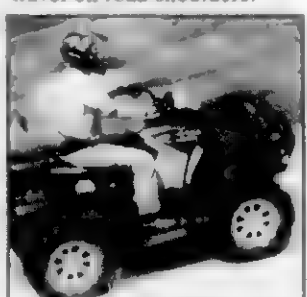
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Four-wheelers and other ORV of the like will now be allowed on road shoulders of the lesser roadways in the county.

While the new law allows for 43 of Michigan's more than 80 counties to participate, the law is not mandatory and municipalities may opt out of allowing four-wheelers to ride certain roads at up to 25 mph.

The ordinance allows four-wheelers, three-wheelers, multi-track recreational vehicles, dirt bikes, motorcycles, amphibious machines and hovercraft "or other means of transportation deriving motive power from a source other than muscle or wind" to travel on road shoulders.



According to ordinance nine, it does not cover any of the following: "a registered snowmobile, a farm vehicle being used for farming, a vehicle used for military, fire, emergency, or law enforcement purposes, a vehicle owned and operated by a utility company or an oil or gas company when performing maintenance on its facilities or on property over which it has an easement, a construction or logging vehicle used in performance of its common function, or a registered aircraft."

ORV are not on the following stretches of road: Thumb Lake Rd., US 131 to the Charlevoix County line; Boyne City/Charlevoix Road in its entirety; Boyne City/East Jordan

Road from M75 to the East Jordan City limits; Ellsworth Road from the East Jordan City Limits to the Charlevoix County line; Marion Center Road, from Charlevoix City limits to the Charlevoix County line; Kings Highway, from the Light House, Sec. 26, St. James Township... to East Side Drive, Sec. 34, Peaine Township, Beaver Island; and any roads that have been excluded by a city or township ORV ordinance in Charlevoix County.

to 5 p.m. in the county clerk's office at 203 Antrim St. in Charlevoix.

Flight fee has crashing The \$1 enrollment fee the Charlevoix City Council attempted to levy on all enplanements was shot down after an uproar by Beaver Island residents.

The city had hoped to balance the airport's books by increasing some fees, but after a public hearing and outcry by many locals, the idea was scrapped.

Like a rolling stone

After months of wondering what happened to their 170 pound monument, St. Marys Cement was alerted by local police and sheriff officials that the giant Petoskey stone and maple wood base created by a long-time employee had been found.

It seems the husband of an employee had stolen the monument and hid it at his residence.

Haggard's hoax
Charlevoix resident John Haggard is known to have a unique sense of humor, so it wasn't much of a surprise to many when it was discovered a sign advertising that a medical marijuana store was com-

ing to town was little more than a practical joke.

Haggard placed the sign in the window of an empty downtown shop just to see what he could stir up.

The story of the mysteri-



ous marijuana store even appeared on public radio as it would have been the first in the state.

Businesses come and go, and 2009 was no exception in Charlevoix.

In addition to Shop of the Gulls and the Aleo Cafe closing, long-time find dining establishment Tapawingo shuttered its doors after 25 years.

The gray house-turned-restaurant on seven acres near the shores of St. Clair Lake in Ellsworth known as Tapawingo is no more.

Mobil Travel Guide called it "Michigan's most acclaimed restaurant" and celebrity chefs like Mario Batali and Emeril Lagasse even had guest chef stints at the eatery, but according to owner Harlan Peterson the current economy has forced him to close the doors.

"This has been a very, very difficult decision," Peterson said. "The numbers had been

diminishing as the economy has been diminishing and it just becomes harder and harder to maintain the standards that we want to be known for."

He added, "There is a lot I will miss, as I was very proud of the restaurant and the style and identity of the restaurant."

Good business news included the old Charlevoix Manufacturing building being reopened as ZD Metals.

Charlevoix also saw its lighthouse turn from white to red in 2009.

Several Tax Day Tea Parties were held in the area — one of which turned into a shouting match between white tea partiers and black Obama supporters.

The year was also rife with charity.

In early spring, an anonymous benefactor paid it for ward by purchasing all the meals for anyone who ate at the Harbor View Cafe on April 8.

The restaurant served more than 100 customers that day, none of whom had known about the secret treat.

The uplifting story managed to make the Evening News with Bryan Williams.

In school news, Charlevoix voters approved a \$5 million millage for school improvements and the teacher contracts were finally ratified after a year and a half of waiting.

Swine flu and bad weather swept through the area in late 2009 causing school

closings for several days



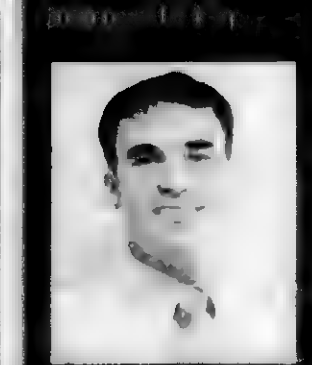
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And, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan may be thousands of miles away, but a hometown boy was injured when his military vehicle was blown up by a roadside bomb. The young soldier is now well and back in Michigan where he hopes to finish college.

Also in 2009, an Elks Lodge was formed, the coast guard cutter Acacia found its final resting place in mid-Michigan and local sport enthusiast Dean Davenport was inducted into the Ferris State University's Hall of Fame.

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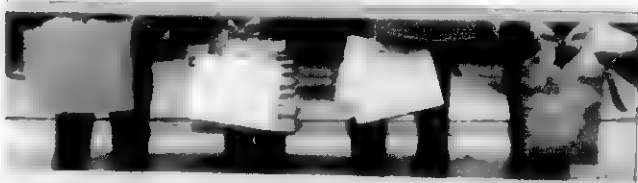
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Third time's a charm for Lake Trail

EDITORIAL

With an area of such natural splendor and scenic beauty as Charlevoix, it only makes sense to build on attractions and leisure time activities which involve the out-of-doors.

And, with a whole lot of cooperation and some quick moves by local authorities, res-

idents and visitors to the area could soon have yet another way to enjoy Charlevoix the Beautiful.

The Lake to Lake Trail, an old railway trail from back when the currently named St Marys Cement was built, stretches from Ferry Beach to the Fisherman's Island State Park side of Lake Michigan.

We just cannot imagine a

better use for an unused nature trail than a winding path for walkers, cyclists, runners and snowmobilers. And, St Marys Cement officials feel the same way, which is why they have been so cooperative with the City of Charlevoix officials and the folks from Charlevoix Township.

The reason we would like to see some swift action isn't

because the trail is going anywhere, but it seems this isn't the first time we've been on the cusp of having the trail only to have the process die.

It seems this is the third time the Lake to Lake Trail architects Dean Davenport and JoAnne Beemon have been close to finalizing the agreements.

The last two times, the ce-

ment plant changed hands, causing the process and all the work that went into it to be null and void.

This is a case of a win-win-win for all parties involved. The cement company will feel good for their goodwill gesture and generous gift to the community, the citizens and visitors will have yet another venue for exercise and entertainment, and

the local municipalities and businesses may pick up a few extra bucks from tourists who decide to stay an extra day because there are simply too many things to do in Charlevoix over a short weekend.

Kudos to all involved in trying to make this a reality.

If we all continue in this great spirit of cooperation, we could be using the trail by spring.

The importance of relationship over religion in matters of faith

A decade ago, before our daughter joined us, my wife and I were a pair of DINKS.

You know, dual income-no kids.

Free to travel, we spent a fair amount of time in Scotland and England.

I'm a student of Celtic Christianity and loved to slog from this abbey to that cathedral.

Ann was happy to slog between Harrods to Marks and Spencer, so it worked for us.

We spent one Christmas in London, and drove down to Winchester on Christmas Eve.

We arrived early at Winchester Cathedral for the Christmas Eve service and grabbed good seats on the center aisle just as the place began to fill to overflowing.

I knew the Church of England could be a little over the top with pomp and pageantry, but I was unprepared for the stunning visual effect of the procession of the celebrants to the altar area.

There were herald trumpeters, followed by standard bearers, altar boys, and candle bearers.

There were priests swinging gold globes of burning incense. There was a boys choir, followed by the cathedral choir. There were bearers of Scripture, and one boy carrying the cross on a staff.

Everyone was dressed in brightly colored vestments. Bringing up the rear was an archbishop wearing an embroidered gold cape with a train long enough to

require the help of two altar boys.

That night was a remarkable evening, a step back in time.

But what I remember most about it was a simple snippet of conversation with the woman seated next to me.

She was a local, and I asked her how this differed from the regular cathedral service.

"I have no idea," she replied.

"I have nothing to do with religion or the Church of England," I came for the show."

Across America this holiday season churches will fill pews with people who come for the show.

Some of them will agree to come to get their spouse off their back, just as they do every Christmas and Easter, and some will come because it is a tradition.

Many won't be able to tell you exactly why they've come, but it's something they've always done and it makes them feel good.

Whether it is the traditional church on the corner or Winchester Cathedral, this Christmas many will come to a church because of tradition, but too many

will miss the real message.

They will sing the songs they've sung once a year since they were children, but won't really grasp why the herald angels are singing about or why three kings would travel afar to offer gifts to a child born in a barn.

They will fight to stay awake through yet another sermon, and endure another performance of Silent Night by children costumed in cardboard wings and shepherd's robes made from towels.

This Christmas, so many will come to see the show and never meet the real star of the occasion, the celebrated Jesus.

The reason: too many don't make the important distinction between religion and relationship.

Jesus was a relational savior. While He was here among us He got involved with real people and all their messy problems.

His gospel message, the so-called "good news," was that there was now a new and foolproof means available for people who had grown estranged from God to restore that fundamental relationship between created and creator.

Christmas is intended to celebrate His arrival among us to make that new relationship a reality, available to all.

Then as now, Jesus offered eternal life as a free gift, the only God among many pretenders willing to come down to us rather than forcing us to work our way up to Him.

Believe, He said

That's it, really

Just believe in faith I am who I say I am, pleads Jesus, and a whole new relationship will open up to you.

Religion, on the other hand, has a capacity to smother that relationship by demanding our time and attention be focused on matters contrived by people rather than embraced by Jesus.

Religion places its emphasis on adherence to denominational traditions, on promoting narrow philosophies and interpretations of Scripture, and on practicing certain rites of worship.

Religion defines itself by how one group differs from, and is superior to, all others.

Religion offers empty calories, like adhering to a strict diet of only cola drinks that taste sweet and give a momentary buzz but offer no nutrition and never satisfy true hunger.

Religion, absent the relationship, is spiritually unsatisfying, and that's what leaves people cold to Christianity. The sincere spiritual seeker too often looks at Christianity and can see only empty religion.

They come looking for relationship, but too often only see a show.

Stephen Guthrie directs Christian Counseling Services in Charlevoix. By appointment at (231) 547-4682.

WEEKLY POLL

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The plants know ... they always know

Winter is a tough time for botanists.

When plants are not doing much that is visible, a person's thoughts must turn, not to what they are doing, but to what they are capable of.

The currently popular movie "Avatar" proposes, among other things, a planet named Pandora on which all the plants are in constant and complicated communication with one another.

Most people are not aware that we live on a planet much like that one, at least in so far as plants are in communication in ways almost as complicated as those imaginary plants on Pandora.

Some of the information following comes from an essay by Natalie Angier in the New York Times about how vegans should be more

aware of the communication potential of the plants they so callously cook and consume.

All of our local forests are a complex web of sharing and communication.

An atom of a necessary mineral provided on the surface of the ground can be found only a short time later in almost any plant within a hundred feet of the place it was deposited.

All the roots of all the plants are linked by a nearly invisible network of mineral transporting fibers that share information about the needs of the connected plants and help to parse out the essential materials for the overall benefit of the whole forest.

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A complex communication network

PLANTS

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One of the major problems faced by plants is the possibility of being eaten by some wandering herbivore.

Plants cannot run away. What could they possibly do?

Many plants which suffer some nibbling by anything



EAR TO THE GROUND
Roger Knutson

from a caterpillar to a deer respond by quickly manufacturing or emitting chemicals that are repellent to the plant eaters.

How quickly?

Aren't plants sort of slow? The plant's response to some sort of feeding activity can happen within 20 minutes — possibly less.

In some cases, the repellent chemicals are accompanied by other newly manufactured substances that evaporate and inform surrounding plants.

Those plants then build up

their own personal defenses. Some of the evaporated chemicals are specific attractants for small predators that attack the munching plant eaters.

And you thought the plants were just sitting there waiting to be eaten!

It is not necessary to imagine a planet on which plants are in continuous communication — we live on one.

And for local interest, let us not forget that each spring the Sunk Cabbage plants living in our part of Michigan put up blossoming structures that have both central heating and thermostat.

If you should happen to find such a blossom next March, hold it in your snow chilled and air chilled hand.

You will never forget that

plants have capabilities that we are only beginning to understand.

Next time you peel and drop a live potato in boiling water or put live Brussels Sprouts in the oven, say a thank-you to it for sustaining you.

It might just hear you. Contact Roger Knutson at news@charlevoixcourier.com

Columnist says 2010 looks to be better than ever

Every year I struggle with the idea that I should be making at least one New Year's resolution.

There is certainly no lack of room for improvement. In fact, it may be the surplus of shortcomings that cause me to run aground when I ponder exactly where I would most benefit from a pledge of abstinence.

For while I do harbor perhaps more than my share of, if not deadly, then at least irritating sins, they are mostly sins of which I am rather fond.

If this were not so, they would have made the cut long ago.

I have negotiated the demise of scores of defects through past New Year promises.

All of the easy ones have already been sacrificed on the altar of self-improvement and I'm tempted at this point to proclaim that I'm done.

Of course I'm not. And I don't know if I've actually made any real progress or if I've just acclimated to the chilly waters of imperfection.

But for whatever reason, I'm not overly anxious

to rattle the status quo. It seems unnecessary.

Especially since, as I mentioned, the leftover transgressions barely warrant scrutiny.

Certainly any remnants of the Big Seven — greed, lust, sloth, envy, gluttony, anger and pride — have been ground into dust beneath the boot heels of experience.

But maybe I should review the basics, just to be sure that I haven't lapsed.

Greed: It hardly seems worth the effort, considering that there isn't enough to worry about.

The bank and I have an uneasy truce when it comes to my finances.

For my part, I am sure that they consistently make horrible mathematical errors and they, in turn, write me little notes requesting contributions to my account.

We are wary of each other, but ultimately apathetic, as we both have more pressing issues to deal with.

Lust: Ha! Unless I count Ben and Jerry, which brings me to

Gluttony: Here is where I stumble, but I do fall short of debilitating excess.

Once in a while, I will succumb to tub of something or other.

I also think that the word "pastry" has a lilt and musical sound, and I would love to see it gain favor as the next celebrity

baby name.

Sloth: If I manage to shed my pajamas by noon, I feel that I'm keeping pace.

Envy: I do envy Angelina Jolie, but who doesn't?

Anger: Now that the meds have kicked in, I'm pretty cheerful.

Pride: Everything that once may have afforded me a platform from where I could have oozed arrogance has flattened, fallen or flopped.

I start all over again on a weekly basis. To be more humble and unassuming, I would have to wrap myself in barbed wire and sprinkle broken glass in my shoes.

So the Seven Deadly don't seem to be a problem.

I am left to focus upon the Thousand Irritating. And it is from this wellspring that I will cull my 2010 resolutions. The candidates are:

1. Write it down — I continue to believe that I will remember things without bothering to take notes. I am wrong.

2. Waterproof my boots — Really, why don't I ever do this?

3. Stop letting vegetables rot in the crisper — It's diffi-

cult to stir-fry broccoli once it has liquefied.

4. Be nicer to the pious — Although it is a knee-jerk reaction to be a tad short when uninvited strangers knock on my door to impart their religious doctrine, I should invite them in and reciprocate to their information by reading aloud from my diary or initiating a game of Scrabble. Everyone has their own beliefs, and mine include the conviction that if someone drops in unannounced and doesn't even bring a plate

of cookies, I get to choose the entertainment.

5. Stop smoking — Okay, it's either this or #4. There's no way that I can be nicer to the pious without a cigarette.

Christine Gwidi welcomes reader's comments. E-mail her at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

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Gayle Gennett

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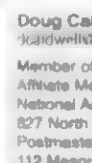
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Taking action

As part of its holiday mission, the Women's Club donated funds this month to the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency. Pictured are (from left) Brandi Wolf, Carolyn Whittle and Judy Juneau.

One busy guy

As is customary this time of year, Santa Claus paid a visit to Harbor Industries on Thursday, Dec. 17. Santa stopped in to lend a lap, an ear, and spread some holiday cheer. Christmas wishes and a good time were shared by all.



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Vacationer can't get enough of Charlevoix

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13-year-old, New Hampshire resident Elizabeth Aufferi chose Charlevoix as her example of "beauty is" in an essay she wrote for school.

"All Summer Long" by Kid Rock

reminds me of the most beautiful place I have ever been, Charlevoix, Michigan," wrote Elizabeth.

Elizabeth's Aunt Diane Coleman and Uncle John moved to Charlevoix 32 years ago from New Jersey.

Their parents, John and Evelyn Aufferi, followed 11 years ago and

Charlevoix became the family summer meeting place.

Elizabeth's mother, Chel Aufferi, credits nature, late nights around the campfire singing, and everyone being together for Charlevoix being "a

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Fox Motors hosts second-grader Christmas party



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Second-graders from Charlevoix Public Schools were treated to a pre-Christmas Christmas party at Fox Motors of Charlevoix in the week leading up to Christmas vacation. The students were given a pizza party, balloons and other treats courtesy of the dealership.

An ode to Charlevoix

ESSAY
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real special place for Elizabeth.

"The wildlife, as well as the houses along Lake Charlevoix's shores, also contribute to its beauty. The houses seem to have come out of a fairy tale, or were painted there by an artist with great imagination," she wrote.

Aufferi's Aunt Diane Coleman described Elizabeth as "quite an unbelievable young lady" and said that "when she wrote this that was truly from her heart."

"I just have the best time when I'm up there," Elizabeth said. "Some of my best memories are from being in Charlevoix."

She added, "The beauty of it both mystifies me and amazes me. When I'm in Charlevoix, I just have fun. I forget about all the drama of being a teenager and I just relax."

According to Elizabeth, "When it's time to leave my beautiful wonderland, a deep pit of sadness forms in my stomach, but then I think about next year, and all the beauty that awaits me."

Elizabeth said she moved to her new world the beauty that is Charlevoix and described the closure that brings when other vacationers back to Charlevoix year after year.

"I'd like to live up there if I could," she said.

Send us your photos!

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What's happening at the Charlevoix Library...

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
The Library will be closed for the holiday on Thursday and Friday Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.

Open Mic Night
January 8, 6:30 pm
New to popular demand, Open Mic Night musician Gordon Howe, with his Ukulele for a 40 minute performance, followed by a 10 minute "Open Mic" session. You will have a chance to play or perform or just come to listen - either way is worth your while.

Ask the Techie!
January 1, 10 am
Back by popular demand, the library is providing one-on-one help for basic computer questions. Need help organizing your desk top or backing up your files?

French Lessons
Saturday, January 9th, 10:30 am
Laura Penhag is a visiting storyteller from Ann Arbor as well as the much-loved children's librarian at the Ann Arbor Public Library and is in Charlevoix for this special event.

Le Cercle Français
Thursdays, 12:00 - 1:15 pm
Le Cercle Français de conversation (French conversation) is a weekly meeting of people interested in improving their French language proficiency from beginners to more advanced. We help each other.

Writers Group
Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
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Reva Jean Sarasin: Jan. 7, 1936 - Dec. 24, 2009

Reva Jean Sarasin, 73, of East Jordan, formerly of Charlevoix, passed away Thursday, Dec. 24, 2009, at her son's home in Charlevoix.

She was born Jan. 7, 1936, in Detroit, the daughter of Omar and Nora (Justice) Steenbergh, moving to East Jordan in 1951.

She married Clayton M. Sarasin on June 12, 1954,

and they made their home in Charlevoix, where Reva worked as a nurse's aid and ward clerk at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

In 1994, Reva and Clayton returned to East Jordan.

Reva is survived by her husband, Clayton of East Jordan; children, Clayton "Butch" (Sherry) Sarasin of East Jordan, Debra (Scott) Blanchard, Steven Sarasin,

and Chris (Lisa) Sarasin all of Charlevoix; eleven grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; brothers, Leon (Adele) Steenbergh of Ellsworth and Florida, Frank Steenbergh, and Omar Steenbergh, II both of Warren.

Reva was preceded in death by twelve brothers and sisters, Floyd, Alberta, Lionel, Adrian, Alberta, Gladys

Joan, Marjorie, Ivan, Virginia, Rodney, Freida, and Luella.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

A memorial service will be announced in the spring. The Winchester Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Theresa Madonna McCafferty: Aug. 31, 1930 - Dec. 25, 2009

Theresa Madonna McCafferty, 79, of Beaver Island, died December 25, 2009, at her home on Beaver Island.

The funeral mass will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, December 30, at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Beaver Island. The Reverend Patrick Cawley will officiate, and burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.

A wake will be held at Madonna's home on Tuesday, December 29, from 7 p.m.

Madonna was born Aug. 31, 1930, on Beaver Island, the daughter of Bertrand and Mary (Boyle) McDonough.

She graduated from Beaver Island School in 1948.

On April 30, 1949, she married John B. "Bing" McCafferty, and he preceded her in death on July 28, 1988.

Madonna was a member of Holy Cross Catholic

Church.

She is survived by her children, Donna (Larry) Kubic, Colleen (Buddy) Martin, Karen (Jim) Wojan all of Beaver Island, James McCafferty of Venice, Calif., John (Beth) McCafferty of Beaver Island, Lynn (Stacey) Boyd of Lansing, Ill., Dan (Sarah) McCafferty of Beaver Island; twenty-one grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; sister, Rosie (Claude) Zajakowski of Lansing, Ill.

Madonna was preceded in death by her brother Donald "Topper" McDonough, and sister, Margaret Ellen Connaghan. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, (national headquarters info@cff.org) 6931 Arlington Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. The Winchester Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Dawson Way, 79, of Charlevoix, passed away at his home on Monday, December 28, 2009. Funeral will be 1:00 PM, Thursday, December

31, at the Assembly of God Church in Charlevoix. Visitation will be at the church on Wednesday, from 3-5, and 7-9 PM. The Winchester Funeral

Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

Smoking cessation classes offered

The Charlevoix Area Hospital, along with the American Lung Association, wants to help you quit smoking.

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This eight-session, seven-week

program, conducted at Charlevoix Area Hospital, begins Jan. 4 with the last session on Feb. 22, 2010.

Each class starts at 5:30 p.m. at the hospital.

There is no charge for this clinic. Call 547-8672 or e-mail mhines@cah.org to register today. Class size is limited, so those interested should register soon.



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Giving women

The Women's Club, which donated funds this month to several area non-profits, is pictured giving to the local Habitat for Humanity project. Pictured are (from left) Mary Margaret Hornbecker, Kay Franz, Carolyn Whittle and Annie Adams.



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Sub-station a 'Go'

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Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider can start shopping for a new location for the agency's Boyne Falls substation after the county board of commissioners approved setting aside \$50,000 for the effort Wednesday.

The commissioners unanimously approved Schneider's request to set aside the money to be used as local match for a number of grants he and undersheriff Chuck Vondra are seeking for the substation relocation effort.

Schneider said the Boyne Falls substation was established about 32 years ago by former sheriff George T. Lasater shortly after he took office to provide better service to the eastern half of the county.

In those three-plus decades the sub-station has grown from serving as an office for one deputy to serving as a base of operations for seven.

And the "station" still occupies the 11 foot by 20 foot office in Boyne Falls' Department of Public Works

garage near the corner of Second and Railroad streets.

The office, which houses a bank of file cabinets, four desks, some basic office equipment and small appliances, has one tiny bathroom and no garage or other storage space.

Schneider said the department's three patrol cars assigned to the station are currently housed in some extra space in the Boyne Falls Public School bus garage.

Schneider said he's looking for a facility that will provide some additional office space, a separate interview room, a bathroom with a shower, storage space and garage space.

Schneider estimates that the cost of to buy or build such a facility in Boyne Falls would cost somewhere between \$100,000 and \$150,000.

He said he would like to pursue a number of grants that are available, but noted that most such grants require a local match.

The board of commissioners also approved a request from Schneider for \$13,000 to replace the existing worn-out control panel at the jail

with a new computerized model.

Schneider said after being used around the clock for 10 years to operate nearly every function of the jail, it's only a matter of time before the control panel fails.

Vondra said a combined cost savings of about \$20,000 from not having the old panel serviced last year and a one-year warranty on the new panel in the coming year should more than offset the cost of the new system.

In a final bit of sheriff's office-related business, the board of commissioners unanimously approved a three-year contract with the sheriff's corrections officers.

The commission approved the contract which has not yet been ratified by the corrections officers union.

Schneider said some of the corrections officers had sought more explanation about new language in the contract permitting the sheriff to do random drug testing and another that requires corrections officers to report any prescription drugs they are taking to him.



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Bearing winter

The Sladick family of East Jordan creates a different snow sculpture every year. This year it was the Coca Cola bear. The sculpture can be seen at 504 Main St. in East Jordan. The family's motto is "When God gives you snow, make snow sculptures." The 10-foot bear was built on Christmas day by Jeannine Sladick and family; Isaiah, Briana, Ehren, Simon, and Peter (not pictured.)

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than traditional garbage bags.

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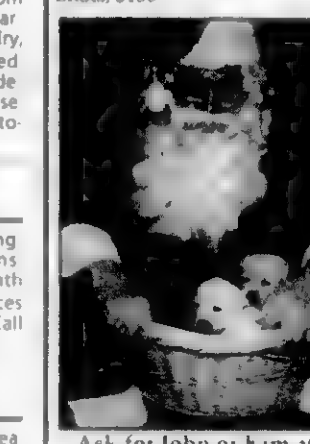
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Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Gail P. Lowe, single woman, to First National Bank of America, dated September 23, 2004 and recorded on October 29, 2004 in Liber 646 page 187, Charlevoix County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$33,794.09

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on January 29, 2010 at 11:00 a.m., at the place of the Circuit Court in Charlevoix County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage together with interest at 13.25 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale

The property is located in Peaine Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

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FIBROMYALGIA SUPPORT

Fibromyalgia support group meets 11 a.m. the last Saturday of every month at Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix. For information, call Michelle at (231) 237-0580.

BNI

The local chapter of Business Network International is the Up North Network and consists Charlevoix and Emmet county businesses. BNI meets 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Fridays at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 104 Mason St. Visitors welcome. Call Dianne DuPont at 547-2699 for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY Museum Hours

The Harsha House Museum will be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Saturday through Labor Day weekend. Co-director Steve Goslee is there Monday through Wednesday, and David Miles is there Wednesday through Saturday. The side office door remains open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or purchase a store item during off hours.

SAILING CLUB

A 32-foot sailboat was donated to Northwest Academy last spring and the school is now forming a sailing club. Call 547-

9000 for more information.

VA

The Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Committee monthly meeting, scheduled on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. Any questions concerning Veterans Affairs or this meeting change please contact Director Ed Holm at 547-7220.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE RECOVERY CLASSES

The Charlevoix Alano Club will be hosting a monthly "Substance Abuse and Recovery Community Education Series" from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Alano Club, 106 Mason St. Club director Scott Kelly, who has more than 23 years of professional experience as a substance abuse professional, will facilitate the meetings.

There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome to help fund the club's numerous programs.

The event is open to the general public.

Call 547-1144 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVES

* 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. on Jan. 5 2010, at Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake St.

* Noon to 5:45 p.m. on Jan. 14 2010, at Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak St.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Held at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 West Clinton St. 547-2651

* Managing your PC, 10:30 a.m., Jan. 5 and 7. For those with basic computer skills to learn

how to organize files and folders, how to customize your desktop and how to back-up important documents and pictures. Call to register.

* Open Mic Night, 6:30 p.m., Jan. 6: Come share your talents or come to listen to others. Open to all with music, dance or stories to share.

* New! Family Pre-school Class, 10:30 a.m., Jan. 9: Join the library staff in welcoming Laura Pershin Raynor, a children's educator from Ann Arbor, for a special morning of stories specially designed to help your pre-schooler learn and strengthen reading skills.

* BookTalkers: The Forgery of Venus, by Michael Gruber, 6:00 p.m., January 11: Join others for a lively discussion of this fast paced book which offers fascinating details about art forgery and thought-provoking conversations about art and morality.

* Parlez Vous Français?, 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays Jan. 12 through February 9: French Lessons for those who have taken at least one course of French including conversation, reading and simple grammar. Call to register, \$25 fee.

* Flip Video Film Night, 3:15 p.m., Jan. 12: All teens welcome to make a film using the library's flip video camera or their own. Films can then be entered in the Library's Film Festival.

* Mail Order and Catalog Houses, 6:30 p.m., January 14: Join the Friends of the Library for their annual meeting and hear Richard Neumann present slides

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Heroes of mental health awarded

North Country Community Mental Health recently held its annual "Employee Recognition" at Boyne Mountain. Julie Kosloskey, Mary Mariatt-Dumas and Marlene Woods-Richards were presented the highest form of recognition – the "Achievement Award." The "Achievement Award" recognizes exemplary service or extraordinary performance. Their peers nominate staff and a committee reviews the nominations and makes a selection based on established criteria. Pictured (from left) are Julie Kosloskey and Mary Mariatt-Dumas recipients of the Achievement Award; also recognized but not present was: Marlene Woods-Richards.

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which will review the mail order and catalog house businesses of the twentieth century.

* Mystery Night Tween Lock-In, 6:00 p.m., Jan. 15: Wanna know the mysteries of the library at night? Come with a flashlight and see the dark side of the library, pizza provided. C

* Microsoft Word 2007 Basics, 10:30 a.m., Jan. 19 and 21: For those who know the basics to learn to create a basic typed document and learn to format it. Call to register.

* Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 1:00 p.m., Jan. 20: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

* Quilters and Friends, 10:00 a.m., January 21: Join quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a morning work group. Bring your project and equipment.

* Imagine That! A Day of Fun, Friends and Green Crafts, Jan. 23: Spend the day with friends making bags, jewelry, clothes, and accessories, all from recycled materials. \$5 fee per class. Registration required.

* Learn to Sell on Etsy.com the Place for All Things Handmade, 6:30 p.m., Jan. 28: This workshop will show you how to get started buying and selling your handmade crafts online. Call to pre-register.

Weekly events

* Story-Time is 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays for all children birth to 5 and their caregivers.

* Writer's Group is 6 p.m. on Wednesdays for all writers.

* Le Cerele Francois, meets noon on Tuesdays in the Trustee Conference Room, to practice and renew French conversation skills by sharing knowledge and learning from others. The group facilitator is Vince Chew.

* Quilters and Friends meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the third Thursday of the month. This group of quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts is set up as a workgroup, so bring along your current fiber project and all the equipment you need (yes, even your sewing machine!) and enjoy the company of friends. The group facilitator is Sue Dixon.

* Northern Michigan Textile Artists meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs for discussion of projects and ideas.

* The Scrapbookers meet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the fourth Saturday of the month. Treat yourself to a full day away from home to work on your photos with group facilitator, Sheila Davis and other like minded scrapbookers.

The Book Talkers meet regularly throughout the year at 6 p.m. on Monday evenings. Beth Strawbridge facilitates this group. Call the library for upcoming dates and titles, 237-7340.

The Writer's Group meets at 6 p.m. every Wednesday in the Armstrong Conference Room. This group of writing enthusiasts (from beginner to published) encourages each other and share their work. The group welcomes all who are interested in writing for themselves, their family, and/or for publication. The group facilitator is Jim McKinney. For more information about these or other library events, call the library 237-7340.

DEC. 31

New Year's Eve worship
Reign of Grace Ministries of Boyne City is hosting a special New Year's Eve night of praise, worship, prayer, and fellowship with guest praise/worship teams from Charlevoix, Petoskey and Boyne City. Service begins at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served, however there is no child care or nursery.

The church is located at 1107 Boyne Ave. (M-75) next to McDonald's across from the Boyne City High School campus. For more information phone Pastor Ryp Hankins at (231) 459-8373 or visit www.reignofgracemin.org

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JAN. 2

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JAN. 4

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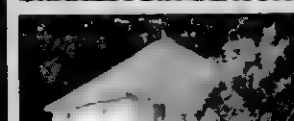
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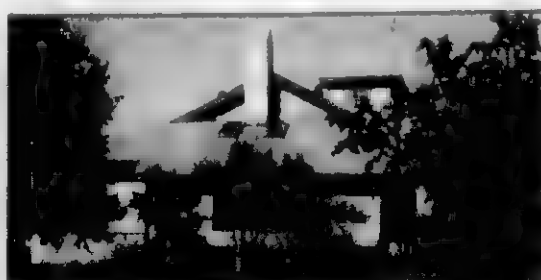
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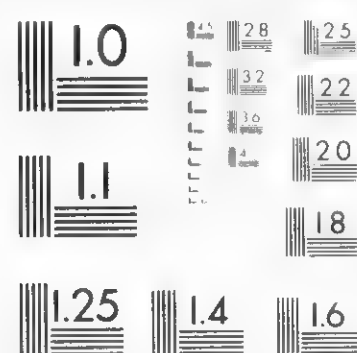
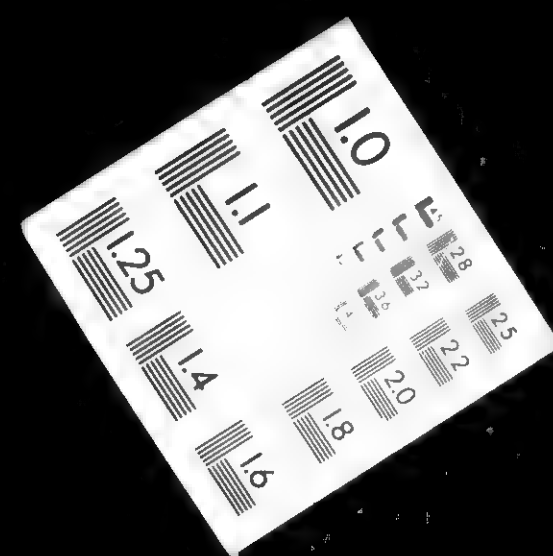
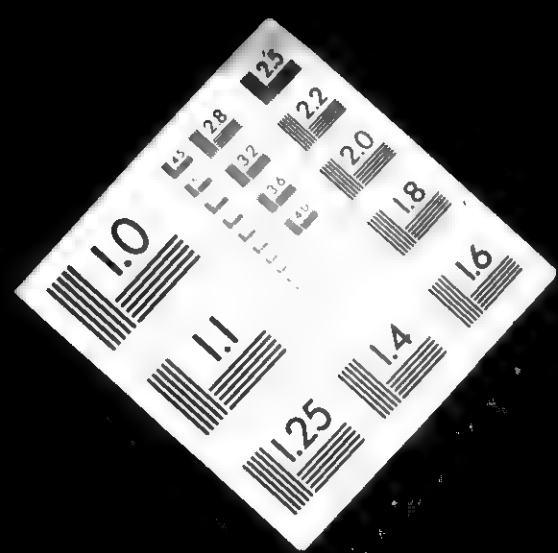
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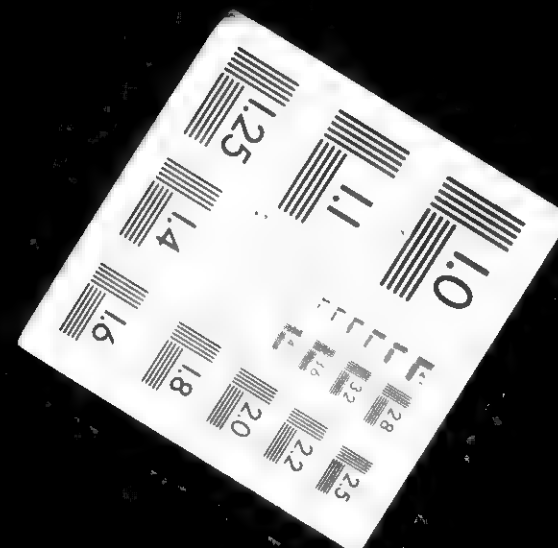
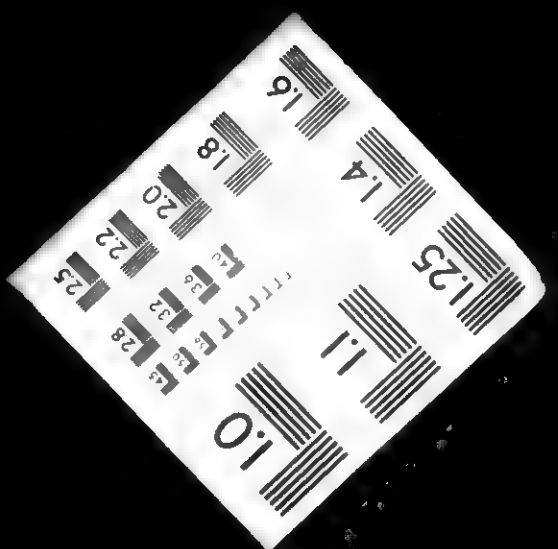
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